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Board of Supervisors
Marin County Civic Center
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SUBJECT: Ordinance Prohibiting Motor Vehicles in Excess of 30 Feet From Certain Specified Narrow and Windy Roads Where the Length of the Vehicles Poses a Traffic Hazard

Accounting

Dear Board Members:

Airport

RECOMMENDATION: Conduct first reading of proposed ordinance and schedule a merit hearing for January 9, 2018, at 10:30 AM.

Building Maintenance

Capital Projects

SUMMARY: Vehicles in excess of 36 feet are currently prohibited on Muir Woods Road. Members of the public have expressed concern with buses crossing the centerline of the road along several curves on Muir Woods Road between the Muir Woods National Monument entrance and Panoramic Highway. This section of roadway is very steep with several sharp curves.

Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA)

Communications Maintenance

Marin Transit conducted an operation review of 30-and 32-foot buses along Muir Woods Road which included video cameras mounted on the buses to assess how well the buses of varying lengths traveled within the travel lanes. It was observed that the 32-foot-long buses crossed the centerline at several curves, while the 30-foot buses negotiated the curves within the travel lanes.

County Garage

Disability Access

On December 16, 2014, your Board adopted an ordinance that provides for restrictions on oversized vehicles by length on certain narrow and winding County roads where the length of the vehicle poses a traffic hazard. That ordinance includes a prohibition for vehicles in excess of 36 feet, but does not include the option of prohibiting vehicles in excess of 30 feet. It is recommended that your Board adopt the proposed revisions to the ordinance to include an option to prohibit vehicles in excess of 30 feet.

Engineering & Survey

Flood Control & Water Resources

Land Development

Purchasing

Real Estate

Provided the proposed ordinance passes, a companion resolution will be brought to the Board of Supervisors that specifies that vehicles in excess of 30 feet are prohibited on Muir Woods Road from the entrance to Muir Woods National Monument easterly to Panoramic Highway.

Reprographic Services

Road Maintenance

Stormwater Program

Transportation & Traffic Operations

Waste Management

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no impact to the General Fund by this action.

REVIEWED BY:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	County Administrator	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Department of Finance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	County Counsel	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Human Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment: Ordinance

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