

to store and sell energy. California has mandated the installation of these types of projects in an effort to curb carbon emissions.

- Mr. Hutchison asked if the fire department is aware of this project. Mr. Turner did make a presentation to Jim Davidson of the VC fire department. Mr. Del Pilar asked about how customers will benefit from this project. SDG&E will sell back energy that is stored within the lithium-ion batteries.
- Mr. Radden asked about potential fire hazards of this type of storage facility.
- Mr. Matthews (audience) asked about the number of employees who will monitor this facility. Mark stated that it is a remotely controlled site with physical inspection 2 to 4 times per month.
- The transmission lines will go under the road and connect to SDG&E transmission lines. Traffic specific requests show this area is a floodplain. Mr. Hutchison requested that the developer should consider the purchase of mitigation land in Valley Center.
- Ms. Adams asked about the type of fencing that will surround the project. This is still unknown. Several members asked about the country of origin of these batteries. Some questions asked by the Planning Group members did not receive direct answers.
- UCSD, Escondido and Fallbrook also have battery storage facilities. It is suggested that the Planning Group speaks with these communities about possible benefits and problems that are created by lithium storage facilities.

3) Greens Storage (Radden/Kadakia): Informational

PDS2020-STP-03-026WI/PDS2020ER-03- 08-029A Discretionary Permit

Application/Environmental Review CEQA. Lot merger and Greens Storage building expansion of adjacent business on south parcel. DRB Mar. 2, 2020.

- This brand of storage facility is ranked number one for the last five years. They have been in Valley Center since 2014. This project is climate controlled and is 100% solar powered. They are considering having their own batteries to become carbon neutral during nighttime hours.
- The site plan was approved by the County and the fire marshall. The County will possibly vote on this project in the next two months. Traffic plans are already approved. This facility will have a RV dump station that will exit back into the Valley Center sewer system. This grinder pump is approved by the water district.
- Greens Storage offers much more than a typical storage facility. It will also offer its customers postal drop boxes for no additional charge.
- Greens Storage will sponsor math scholarships in the community.

E. Action items (VCCPG advisory vote may be taken on the following items)

1) Rite-Aid ABC License (Harmes): Reminder/Discussion – PDS2019-ABC-19-002 - Appeal hearing Mar. 20, 2020 9am county offices bldg 5520. Ten page report will be submitted to the planning commission. David Cook with PDS received additional information from

VCCPG Chair (in addition to VCCPG written appeal) as to why VCCPG submitted approval for a limited license. Mr. Cook was informed of numerous other retailers coming to Valley Center also requesting ABC licenses. This additional information will be submitted to Supervisors prior to the hearing date.

- Chair Harmes and Kevin Smith will both attend this meeting. No other members shared that they will attend the meeting.

2) Rite-Aid Lighting (Harmes): Update/Discussion – PDS2020-ENFGEN-000136 - RiteAid had an approved site plan for the signs and lights that were installed. In the process of verifying the installed lights match what was approved on the plan. Should be completed by next week.

- Brandy Contreras, a County Code Compliance officer who lives in Valley Center is looking into this issue and will provide the Planning Group an update by the next meeting. Mr. Hutchison wanted clarification about backlit signage. It is not allowed according to the Community Plan and VC DRB Guidelines.

3) Valley Center Community Plan Update (Hutchison): Discussion and Review - Public meeting held Feb. 22, 2020 at Valley Center High School-Maxine Theatre. Meeting discussed goals and policies as well as suggestions from the community for moving forward and coordinating with the county to finalize the Valley Center Community Plan.

- Mr. Hutchinson shared that the CPU subcommittee will meet several times before the summer to go over the matrics. Chair Harmes shared that about 80 people attended this meeting.
- The County has a live portal that shares information about the total numbers of housing units that are being built and allowed in Valley Center.

F. Group Business

1) Keys Creek Winery (Smith): Update

- Mr. Smith shared that the application was on hold after the February 2017 meeting. Jeana Boulos was assigned to the project at that time.

2) Open Seat Applications (Harmes): Board of Supervisors vote March 10, 2020.

- Chair Harmes shared that seats #3, 4, and 11 will probably be confirmed before the next meeting. Chair Harmes would like the Planning Group to consider a possible change in the monthly Monday we meet.
 - a. Joseph Martinez Seat #3 (vacated by Susan Janisch)**
 - b. Kathleen McCabe #4 (vacated by Dina Gharmalkar)**
 - c. Matt Matthews, DVM #11 (vacated by Oliver Smith)**

3) Reminder:

- **a. Annual Form 700 thirty days from being seated and annually by April 1st.** Must be filed with ROV. Ink signature required. FPPC has issued penalties/fines last year \$10/day.
- **b. Ethics training first year and every two years by Dec. 31st.**
- **c. County training annually by March 31st .**

4) Parliamentarian (Harmes): ~~Nominate & vote for parliamentarian. (vote)~~

- The Planning Group agreed to postpone this nomination until all new members of the group are seated.

G. Subcommittee Reports

1) Community Plan Update (Steve Hutchinson, Chair) under Action Item

2) Emergency Evacuation (Delores Chavez Harmes, Chair)

3) Mobility (Lisa Adams, Chair) Ridge Ranch TAC meeting March 13, 2020; VC DRB update

- Ms. Adams explained information about warrants and how these are applied to the variables of traffic signals. There was discussion about the installation of a traffic light for 42 homes. Ms. Feliciano shared concerns about large trucks stopping at the top of the grade.
- Chair Harmes shared that a light would probably remain green most of the time. Mr. Hutchinson commented that most vehicles travel up to the grade at speeds of 75 mph.
- Ms. Boulos shared that the Daly Ranch Resort project proposal might need a traffic light further down Valley Center Road. This potential signal might also be used for the Ridge Ranch community.

4) Villages (William Del Pilar, Chair) AutoZone, Weston Town Center, Liberty Bell Plaza

- The Auto Zone project will have footings installed in the next few days. The project was approved by the DRB a few years ago. The site is right next to Tractor Supply and will use the same road as an entrance. This project will take between three to four months to complete.
- Weston Town Center was already approved and Mr. Del Pilar will provide an update when the County provides further updates.
- The Liberty Bell Plaza will possibly open in the first or second quarter of 2021.
- Terry's Feed and Grains is located next to Napa Auto. This site will have two buildings that will house a dentist and veterinarian office. The former owners of the Corner Skillet have purchased the Papa Bears restaurant. They are looking to remodel this restaurant and are working with the County to complete all permits.

5) Parks & Rec (LaVonne Norwood, Chair)

- Ms. Norwood shared information before she left at 7:56 p.m. about the County revitalization plan. Chair Harmes shared information that the County is attempting to support the Planning and Sponsor Groups. Mr. Hutchinson does not want the revitalization group to supersede community groups.

- Mr. Smith asked Ms. Norwood about some of the positive and negative aspects of LAFCO taking over the Valley Center Parks and Recs. There was discussion about this topic.

- 6) Tribal Liaison (Jeana Boulos, Chair)
- 7) Nominations (Susan Fajardo, Chair)
- 8) Member Training (Delores Chavez Harmes, Chair)
- 9) Website (Renee Wolf, Chair)

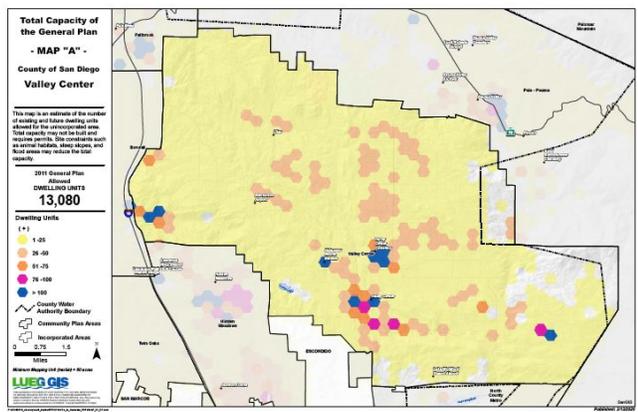
- Ms. Wolf has updated the website with subcommittee information. Subcommittee chairs can provide Ms. Wolf with information to post on the website. Mr. Garritson will work with Ms. Wolf to forward the vccpg.com site to the current one valleycenterplanninggroup.com.

I. Adjournment

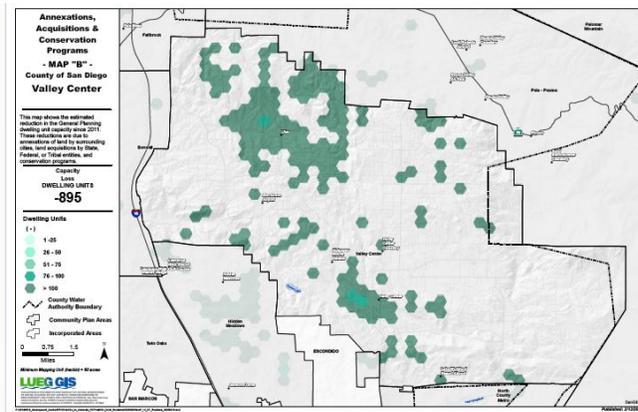
- Next regular meeting of VCCPG: April 13, 2020
- The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.
- Minutes were approved on June 8, 2020.

James Garritson, Secretary

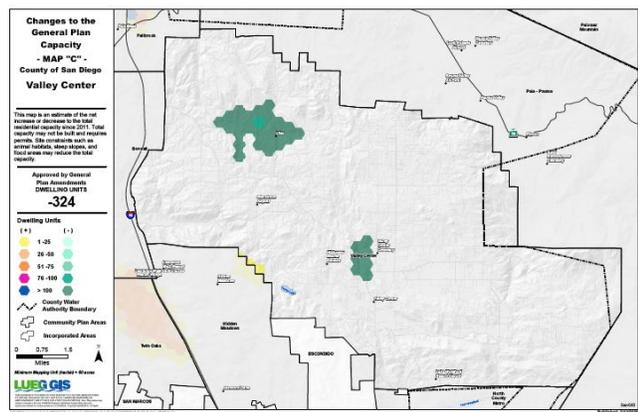
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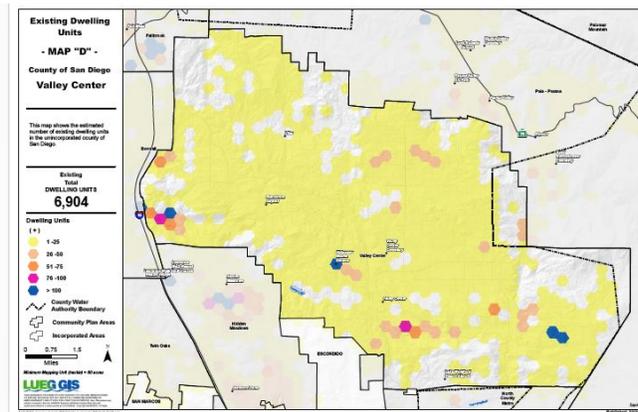
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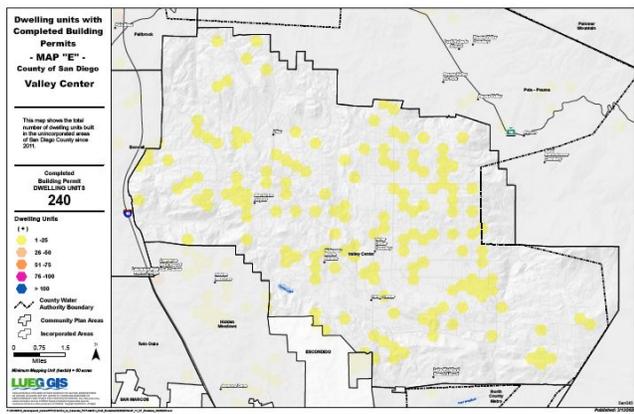
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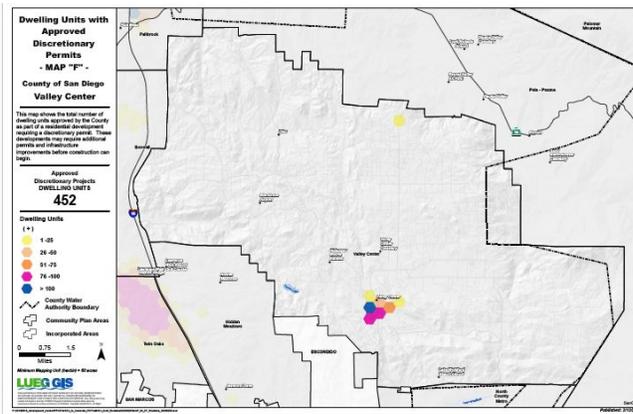
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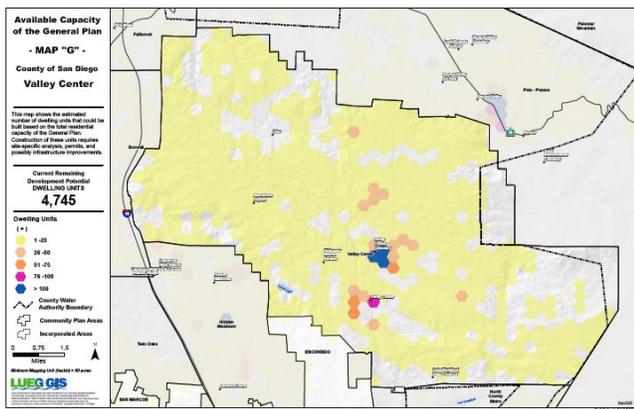
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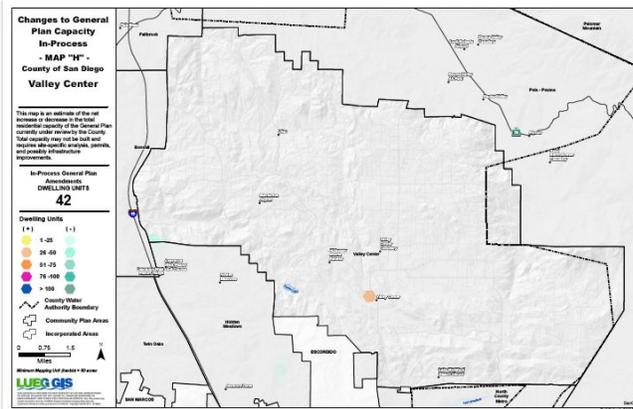
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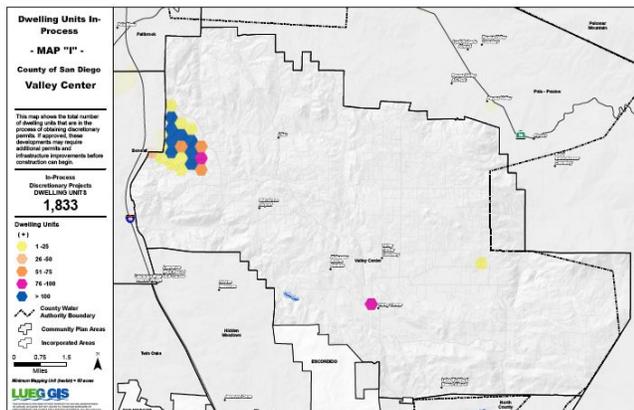
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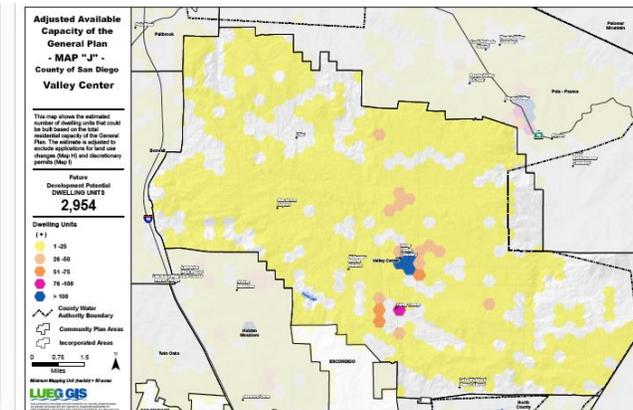
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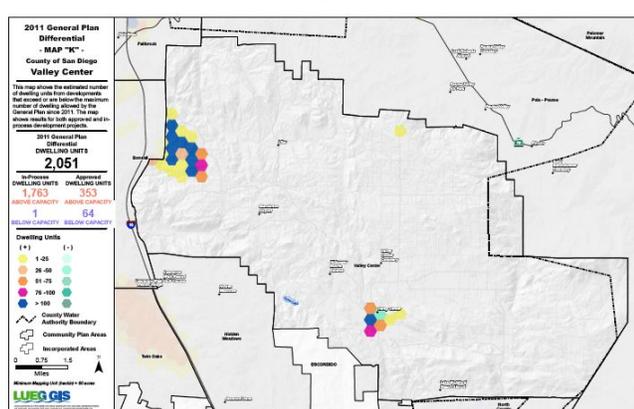
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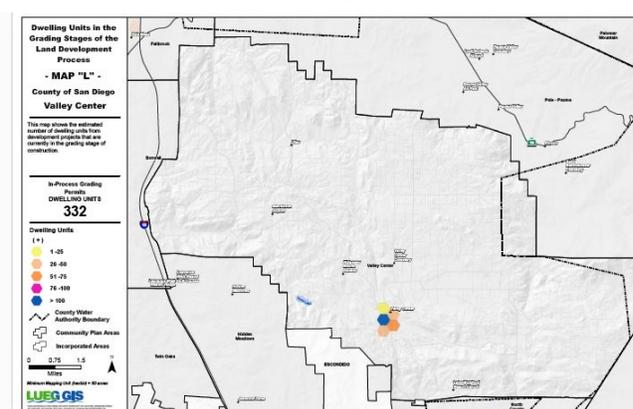
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SAN DIEGO COUNTY TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT OF: March 13, 2020 **Item 5-C**

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT: 5

SUBJECT: Intersection Control

LOCATION: Valley Center Road & Ridge Ranch Road, VALLEY CENTER (Thos. Bros. 1090 E6)

INITIATED BY: DPW Traffic Engineering

REQUEST: Traffic Signal Control

PROBLEM AS STATED BY REQUESTER:

The intersection of Valley Center Road & Ridge Ranch Road has been identified by Traffic Engineering as meeting Warrant 6, Coordinated Signal System, of the nine traffic signal warrants as described in the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD), Section 4C.01, therefore a traffic control signal should be considered.

Existing Traffic Devices

Valley Center Road is a striped four-lane divided Through Highway with marked centerline bike lane. The road runs north/south and has a 64-foot travelled way on a 76-foot roadbed. The roadway is classified as a Major Road on the County General Plan Mobility Element Network and has a posted 60 MPH speed limit.

Ridge Ranch Road is a striped two-lane private roadway. The road runs east/west and has a 24-foot travelled way and roadbed. The roadway is unclassified on the County General Plan Mobility Element Network. Ridge Ranch Road is stop controlled at Valley Center Road.

<u>Average Daily Traffic Volumes</u>	<u>12/19</u>	<u>05/15</u>	<u>12/12</u>
Valley Center Road:			
N/o Ridge Ranch Road	13,556 SB	12,636 SB	12,367 SB
S/o Ridge Ranch Road	13,851 NB	12,898 NB	12,466 NB
Ridge Ranch Road:			
E/o Valley Center Road	156 WB	169 WB	235 WB

Collision Data

There has been 1 reported collision at this intersection, not involving an injury, within a past 3-year period (10-01-16 to 09-30-19). This collision resulted in an intersection accident rate of 0.03 collisions per million vehicles entering the intersection. The statewide average is 0.16 for similar stop controlled rural tee intersections.



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COUNTY TRAFFIC ENGINEER RECOMMENDATION.

Date: February 27, 2020
Item Title: Traffic Control Signal
Location: Valley Center Road and Ridge Ranch Road
CTE Recommendation: Install a traffic control signal *JAO*

Conditions:

- In 2017, DPW implemented several traffic safety improvements at the intersection, which included a northbound right-turn lane, a northbound acceleration lane, and removed the northbound "No-U Turn" prohibition sign at Valley Center Road and Woods Valley Road signal to provide for a safe and controlled turning movement for Ridge Ranch area residents wanting to travel southbound on Valley Center Road.
- Section 21351 of the California Vehicle Code (CVC) authorizes a local agency to place and maintain or cause to be placed and maintained traffic signs, signals and other traffic control devices upon streets and highways within their jurisdiction as may be necessary to warn and guide traffic.
- Chapter 4C "Traffic Control Signal Needs Studies" of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), provides guidance for the preparation of an engineering study of traffic conditions to determine whether a traffic control signal is justified.
- An engineering study following Chapter 4C of the California MUTCD guidelines, shows that the subject intersection meets warrant 6 (Coordinated Signal System). Hence, a traffic signal control can be considered for the intersection of Valley Center Road and Ridge Ranch Road.
- The proposed traffic signal at the intersection of Valley Center Road and Ridge Ranch Road will provide for a better traffic flow system coordination along Valley Center Road within the Valley Center South Village as additional traffic signals are installed part of development conditioning within the village.
- It is my recommendation, as the County Traffic Engineer to place a traffic control signal at the intersection of Ridge Ranch Road and Valley Center Road pursuant to Section 21351 of the CVC and the engineering study (warrant analysis), dated February 27, 2020.

Prepared by National Data & Surveying Services and County of San Diego

VOLUME

Valley Center Rd & Ridge Ranch Rd

Day: Tuesday, Wednesday
Date: 12/10/2019, 12/18/2019 (NB Counts)

City: Valley Center
Project #: CA19_4464_001, _002, _003

DAILY TOTALS					NB	SB	EB	WB	Total
					13,851	13,556	0	156	27,563

AM Period	NB	SB	EB	WB	TOTAL	PM Period	NB	SB	EB	WB	TOTAL
00:00	22	34		0	56	12:00	173	195		1	369
00:15	16	28		1	45	12:15	188	194		5	387
00:30	24	23		0	47	12:30	216	184		3	403
00:45	17	79	21	106	0	1	38	186		2	398
01:00	8	20		0	28	12:45	205	782	173	746	1539
01:15	15	16		0	31	13:00	207	189		2	398
01:30	14	12		0	26	13:15	193	186		4	383
01:45	9	46	23	71	0	0	222	231		5	458
02:00	12	11		0	23	13:30	241	863	200	806	1680
02:15	13	25		0	38	13:45	244	196		2	442
02:30	12	28		2	42	14:00	237	168		2	407
02:45	6	43	12	76	0	2	245	187		4	436
03:00	9	13		0	22	14:15	241	967	187	738	1716
03:15	9	21		0	30	14:30	265	199		2	466
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05:30	58	202		2	262	16:45	347	244		4	595
05:45	64	195	198	656	3	6	326	200		2	528
06:00	113	216		3	332	17:00	294	1272	160	814	2097
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TOTALS	4023	6967		78	11068	TOTALS	9828	6589		78	16495
SPLIT %	36.3%	62.9%		0.7%	40.2%	SPLIT %	59.6%	39.9%		0.5%	59.8%

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AM Peak Hour	11:45	07:00		07:00	07:00	PM Peak Hour	16:45	16:00		12:45	16:30
AM Pk Volume	759	1336		17	1903	PM Pk Volume	1327	916		13	2229
Pk Hr Factor	0.878	0.960		0.708	0.967	Pk Hr Factor	0.951	0.902		0.650	0.937
7 - 9 Volume	1154	2363		26	3543	4 - 6 Volume	2550	1730		22	4302
7 - 9 Peak Hour	08:00	07:00		07:00	07:00	4 - 6 Peak Hour	16:45	16:00		16:30	16:30
7 - 9 Pk Volume	604	1336		17	1903	4 - 6 Pk Volume	1327	916		13	2229
Pk Hr Factor	0.950	0.960		0.708	0.967	Pk Hr Factor	0.951	0.902		0.813	0.937