



**COUNTY OF PLACER**  
Community Development Resource Agency

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Wes Zicker, Director  
Department of Engineering and Surveying, Community Development Resource Agency

**DATE:** October 19, 2010

**SUBJECT:** RENAMING OF PUBLIC ROADWAYS – “GUN CLUB ROAD” AND PORTION OF  
“NORTH AVENUE”

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Conduct a public hearing to rename “Gun Club Road” and the portion of “North Avenue” north of National Avenue in the Tahoe Vista area to “National Avenue,” and authorize the chairman to execute the attached resolution.

**BACKGROUND:**

This is a staff-initiated proposed road name change of an existing County road that currently has three names along its continuous alignment. National Avenue changes names to Gun Club Road where it intersects with Toyon Road and to North Avenue at its northwesterly end. Current road naming policy states that road extensions shall bear the same name as the existing road. If approved, the County maintained length of National Avenue would increase from 0.23 miles to 0.45 miles. New road signs will be placed as appropriate by the Department of Public Works.

The Engineering and Surveying Department received a request from Sierra Pacific Power Company to change its situs address from 7001 North Avenue to 701 National Avenue in order to resolve an ongoing problem with emergency 911 call routing. North Avenue exists to the east in a residential area, however, it does not connect to National Avenue and does not provide access to the Sierra Pacific Power building, as depicted on the Placer County Assessor’s Maps. Therefore, an address with North Avenue in this location is confusing for emergency response (911 dispatch) and the North Tahoe Fire Protection District, as well as delivery service, customers, and visitors. The Department of Public Works has acquired property including the original National Avenue road alignment for the Snow Creek Stream Environment Zone (SEZ) restoration project. Therefore, the National Avenue road alignment as shown on the Assessor’s Maps will not be extended through this acquired property.

County staff confirmed with the North Tahoe Fire Protection District and 911 dispatch emergency response personnel that they are in agreement with the proposed road name changes. In April 2010, the Addressing Division balloted affected property owners to provide a choice of a road name change or keep the current road name(s). The existing mobile home park’s situs address is 501 National Avenue even though it is located off of Gun Club Road, so this property was not included in the balloting. Out of 12 potential responses, 10 were in favor of the proposed road name changes and 2 (both parcels under the same ownership) chose to keep the existing road name of Gun Club Road. Consistent with existing County road naming policy (Resolution No. 86-125), the 83% positive response satisfies the recommended two-thirds majority result for public road renaming.

Staff presented the road name changes to the North Tahoe Regional Advisory Council on May 13, 2010 and the Council took action to unanimously recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors to change

the names of "Gun Club Road" and "North Avenue" in Tahoe Vista to "National Avenue." Prior to the Planning Commission hearing, this item was noticed and letters were sent to property owners with situs addresses along Gun Club Road and National Avenue. The road name changes were considered by the Planning Commission at their June 24, 2010 hearing and the Commission unanimously recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve the road name changes with a recommendation to staff to consider directional or "court" designation at the north end of the road in order to provide further clarification for emergency response purposes.

Staff considered the suggestion of the Planning Commission and recommends that the Board not accept it. The nature of the existing developed parcels at the northeast end of National Avenue/Gun Club Road do not qualify as a separately named "court," as there are less than four parcels with building permits or pending building permits. The physical access to these parcels is similar to a shared driveway accessed off of National Avenue.

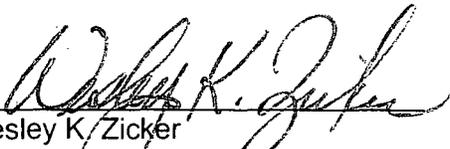
**ENVIRONMENTAL:**

The proposal is not a "project" as defined in CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 and is therefore not subject to environmental review.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is a minor fiscal impact to the Department of Public Works to replace three road signs and add one new road sign. DPW has indicated that they can accomplish this work within their existing budget.

Respectfully submitted,



Wesley K. Zicker  
Director of Engineering & Surveying

**Attachments:**

- Attachment 1: Resolution
- Exhibit A: National Avenue/Gun Club Road Addressing Map

# Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of:

Reso. No.: \_\_\_\_\_

A Resolution approving the renaming of Gun Club Road and a portion of North Avenue, roads in the Tahoe Vista area, to "National Avenue."

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held October 19, 2010, by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

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Kirk Uhler

Attest:  
Clerk of said Board

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Ann Holman

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF PLACER, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS FOLLOWS:

**WHEREAS**, the renaming of the existing public roadways for emergency response, safety, and convenience of the residents is necessary as a result of County policy stating that a road having a continuous alignment shall bear the same name (as shown on the attached Exhibit A) and that the original alignment of National Avenue will not be extended due to the planned County Snow Creek Stream Environment Zone (SEZ) restoration project; and

**WHEREAS**, at the June 24, 2010 Planning Commission hearing, the Commission recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve the proposed road name changes; and

Attachment 1 //

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors finds that the proposed road name assignment of “National Avenue” in place of “Gun Club Road” and a portion of “North Road” is in conformance with the Placer County “Road Naming Policy” adopted by BOS Resolution 86-125; and

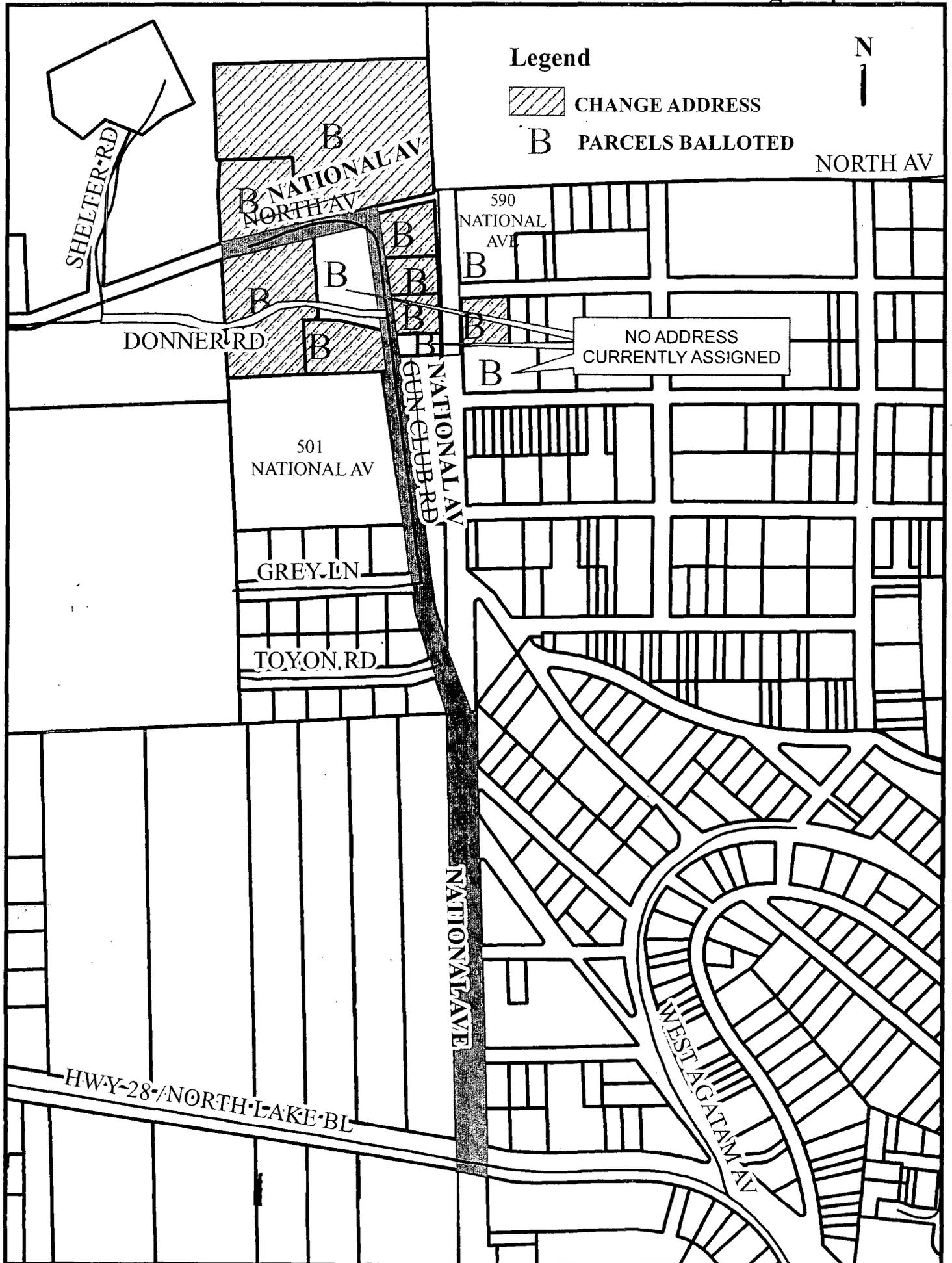
**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of Engineering and Surveying to assign these road names and make the necessary revisions to the Placer County public records;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors, County of Placer, State of California, pursuant to the Streets and Highways Code Section 941, hereby accepts this road as shown below into the County Maintained Mileage System, and discontinues the use of Gun Club Road (Road Number X 7009).

| <u>Road Name</u> | <u>Road Number</u> | <u>Mileage</u> | <u>Location</u>               |
|------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| National Avenue  | X 7012             | 0.45           | State Highway 28, Tahoe Vista |

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors, County of Placer, State of California, that the Board hereby approves the road name assignment of “National Avenue” from Toyon Road to the end of the road alignment, as shown on the attached Exhibit A.

“EXHIBIT A – National Avenue / Gun Club Road Addressing Map”



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NO ADDRESS  
CURRENTLY ASSIGNED

