

Golden Valley Traffic Sign Management

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Overview

- Program Components
- Issues
- Implementation
- Questions?

Program Components

- Inventory
- Inspection
- Damaged/Missing Signs
- Installation
- Removal



Inventory

- Goal: GPS and sticker all City-responsible signs
- Street name sign replacement
 - CIP Project
 - Hired seasonal employees to assist



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21 22 23 24 25

Inspection

- Visual condition
- Measurements
 - Street offset
 - Height
- Retro-reflectometer

Damaged/Missing Signs

- Check to see if sign is needed
 - Location be adjusted?
 - Co-location with another sign?
- Evaluate condition of sign
- Re-install if possible
- Replace if needed

Removal

- Traffic Sign Liability Reduction Program
 - A.K.A Operation Sign Harvest
- Remove unnecessary signs
- Primary focus on warning signs
 - Some regulatory (not requiring Council action)
- Methods
 - Pavement management projects
 - Vehicle crashes
 - Targeted removals
 - Sign consolidation (multiple on same post)

Removal

- Most common signs removed
 - Stop ahead
 - Traffic signal ahead
 - Playground/Children at play
 - No parking signs (thin out the spacing)
 - Pedestrian crossing advanced warning
 - Fire station advanced warning
- Removal should not be about cost
 - Is it needed?
 - Will other operations benefit from it being gone?

Installation

- City's Traffic Safety Committee reviews all requests
 - Police, Communications, Public Works, Consultant Traffic Engineer
- If approved request will either
 - Go to City Council if required
 - Be installed by City staff



Demonstration

Issues

- Who's sign is it? (Jurisdictional boundaries)
- Lots of assets
 - Not-needed signs
 - Worn out signs
 - Sign fade (contrast)
 - Worn out posts
- Staffing
 - First task to get cut
- Keeping database current
- Staff communication
 - Sign management not common assignment
 - Make sure we all do it a similar way

Implementation

- Inventory mostly done
- Only a small sample of signs have had readings
 - Somewhat on purpose
- Still working through identified issues
 - Want to replace/remove signs if needed before taking readings



Questions?

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