

Memo

DATE: February 28, 2013
TO: Scott Fleury, Engineering Services Manager
FROM: Margueritte Hickman, Division Chief /Fire Marshal
RE: Fair Oaks Alley

This memo is in response to a request by both Officer MacLennan and Scott Fleury regarding the ability of Ashland Fire & Rescue to access the alley on Fairs Oaks located across from the median.

At the time this subdivision was developed, Ashland Fire & Rescue accepted the final plat as meeting the requirements of fire apparatus access as specified in the Oregon Fire Code and the Ashland Municipal Code. While fire apparatus access is met from the streets fronting the property, it would be helpful if fire engines were able to access the alley between the homes in order to more directly approach a garage fire. In the event there are changes planned to the median currently in place, it would be helpful if the turning radius for fire engines were considered in the final design.

When reviewing this issue in the field, the following violations were identified which do limit access:

- Vegetation planted on the west side of the alley between the fence and the alley is planted in the two foot clear width required on each side of the alley.
- A sign has been placed in the planter strip west of the alley entrance that encroaches on the turning radius required for an engine.
- Vehicles should not be parked on either side of the street in the area of the median, however there is no "no parking" signage.

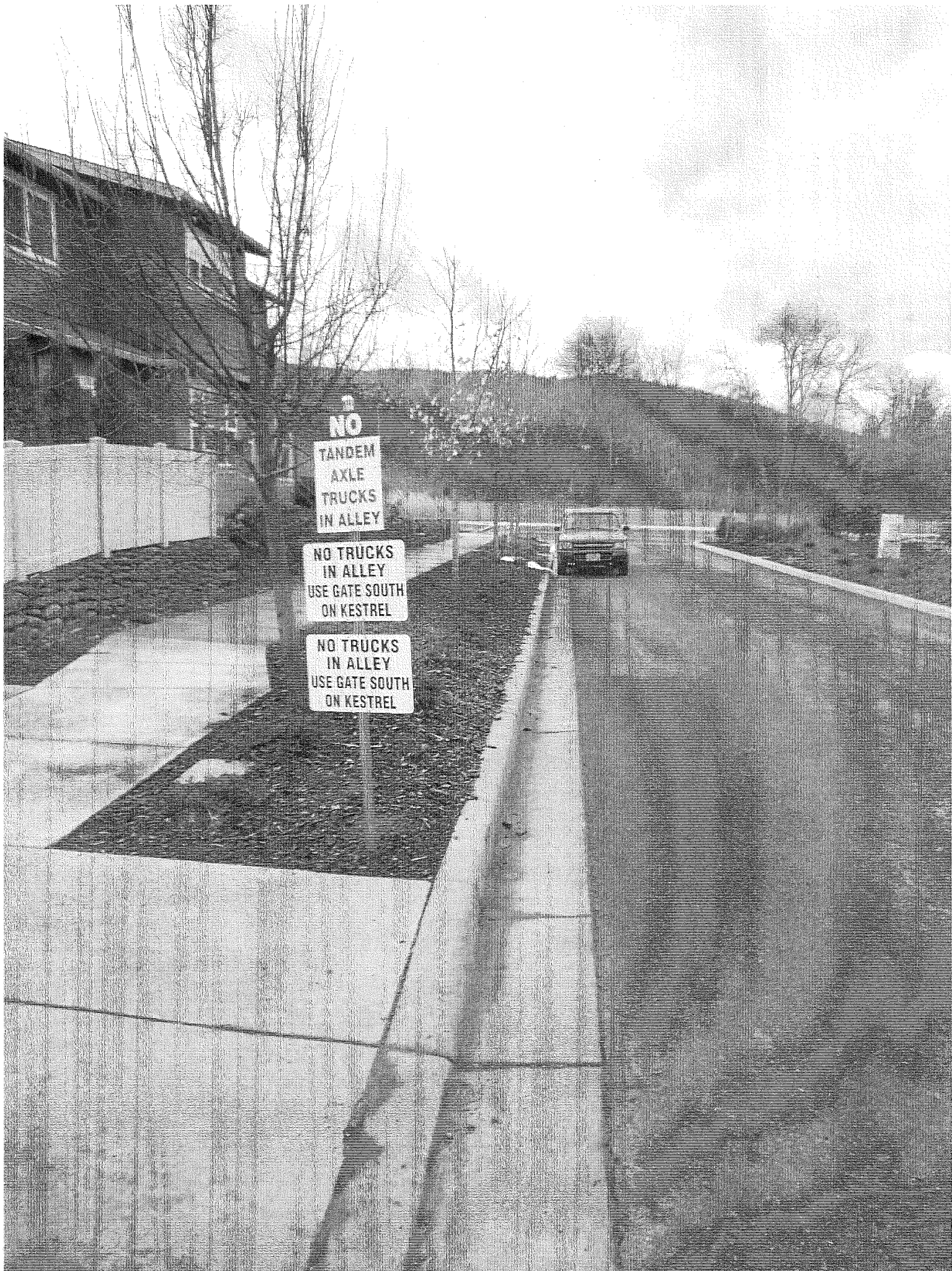
We appreciate the traffic commission's consideration of this issue.

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