

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

TOP TEN STORIES

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curfew. Meanwhile, Palo Alto said it would place a greater emphasis on providing kids with something to do at night and moved ahead with plans for creating a permanent teen center, possibly at the site of the former Centennial headquarters on Bryant Street.

9 A controversial, one-year experiment to slow speeding and reduce traffic in Menlo Park's Willows neighborhood began in February. As part of the project's first phase, more than 20 devices, including stop signs, traffic circles and islands known as chicanes, were placed on streets in an area bounded by Willow Road, Chester Street and Euclid and Woodland avenues. A survey in the summer of residents in the area garnered mixed results, with 31 percent saying traffic was calmer and 53 percent saying they saw no change. The debate was a primary issue in the City Council race in November.

10 The city of East Palo Alto avoided a financial crisis in June when its voters narrowly approved an extension of a parcel tax that...

Cries of protest in Willows over traffic-control devices

■ Area 'runs amok' over plan to discourage cut-through traffic.



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Roadblocks Ahead for 'Street Furniture'?

New council may rethink Menlo Park traffic barriers

By Michael McCabe

Menlo Park council to tackle Willows traffic controversy

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On the recommendation of city officials, the Willows traffic barrier filed Monday with the city engineer's office. The barrier is to be installed on Tuesday. The barrier is to be installed on Tuesday. The barrier is to be installed on Tuesday.

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Mediation sought for traffic dispute

Residents divided over efforts to ease traffic

Fire chief discourages installation of traffic-slowing devices in streets

After measuring delays to fire engines caused by traffic-slowing devices — such as traffic circles and street-narrowing "chokers" that have been installed on local streets in the past several months — the Menlo Park Fire District still discourages their use because they cause delays of several minutes.

Willows traffic plan moves toward showdown

By TOM FRIESEN

Responding to a renewed offensive by members of "Safe Open Streets" last week, the Menlo Park City Council demanded review procedures that could hasten the end of a controversial traffic-calming experiment in the Willows neighborhood.

"My personal preference is to bring it to a head as rapidly as possible," added Mayor Dee Tolles. "This has gone on for two years now."

The negative declaration would have to be approved before any humps are installed, but the council could consider a conceptual approval before going ahead with

