

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, June 24, 2009, 7:00 PM, AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS

ROLL CALL Chair Gallagher, Vice Chair Tollinger, Commissioners Crook, Chan, Davidson, Ayers, and Pasturel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Lead by Chair Mike Gallagher

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Los Altos residents, Dave McNaulty, and Jeff Anderson recommended that the Traffic Commission find favor in the recommendations for Carmel Terrace NTMP.

Ilyas Absar, a Los Altos resident, opposed the Carmel Terrace NTMP.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes
Approval of minutes – Regular Meeting of May 27, 2009 and Special Meeting of June 3, 2009

Approved: 7-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Carmel Terrace NTMP
After much discussion on the recommended installation of signs along Carmel Terrace and Altamead and modification of striping on northbound Miramonte at Covington the Traffic Commission recommended that staff review and redefine the wording for the “No Drop Off” signs so they can be enforced by the Police.

Commissioner Tollinger made a MOTION to continue the Carmel Terrace project to the next meeting and request to hear more details on the Miramonte/Covington intersection, invite the neighborhood residents to attend the meeting and give feedback to the Commission, and Staff confirms with the Police and legal if necessary the wording of the sign so it is enforceable.

Commissioner Davidson SECOND the motion and it was approved 6-0 with Commissioner Chan RECUSED due to his residence being within 500 feet of this project.

3. Grant Road Class II Bike Lanes
Carl Hagenmaier from BPAC gave a presentation for striping between Grant and Newcastle. BPAC surveys the area and will make recommendations to staff for improvement or changes. BPAC is asking that the Traffic Commission make the recommendation to Council for striping to occur from Grant Road to Newcastle in order to create a Class II Bike lane.

Commissioners discussed the striping between Grant and Newcastle and clarification from Tom Ho on what type of striping should occur to create a Class II Bike lane.

Commissioner Crook made a MOTION to recommend to Council that the section of Fremont between Newcastle and North/South Grand Road be striped for a Class II Bike lane. Chair Gallagher SECOND the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. Revision to Traffic Calming Toolkit

Commissioner Tollinger made a MOTION to move the Traffic Calming Toolkit to the next meeting. Chair Gallagher SECOND the motion and it passed unanimously.

5. NTMP Revisions

Commissioner Tollinger gave an update on the NTMP Revisions; reviewed the process in depth and discussed the high level goals, met with City staff and Steve Fitzsimons to discuss their views on the process, tried to meet with the residence to discuss process changes without any success. He will try to get a survey out to the residents in order to get the information needed to put together a proposal regarding costs, appointing a resident to the committee, recommended changes/updates and resident feedback and buy-in for the process. Commissioner Tollinger will report back to the Traffic Commission next month on the progress.

COMMISSION REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Chan gave a report on BPAC to the Commissioners. A discussion regarding the bike striping on Grant and bike ride maps to other public schools that currently don't have maps (schools attended by Los Altos residents) and a motion to request suggested routes to School for Cupertino Middle School, Homestead High, Los Altos High and Mountain View High School. BPAC will work with these schools and other agencies to ensure safe routes for schools are put in place.

The Bicycle Transportation Plan will be reviewed and updated before the next meeting in order to move forward and get grant funding.

Carmel Terrace NTMP continued
NTMP Revisions
Revision to Traffic Calming Toolkit
Clean-up Traffic Commission web page
University

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 9:15 pm

Dawn Silva, Secretary to Traffic Commission