

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION OF THE CITY
OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, April 27, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M. AT COUNCIL
CHAMBERS, LOS ALTOS CALIFORNIA**

PRESENT: Chair Crook, Commissioners Davidson, Pasturel, Baer, Gallagher, and Chiang

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Lead by Chair Crook

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Vivian McNulty, Dave McNulty, and Carol Commendatore provided a suggestion for a Bicycle Boulevard on Carmel Terrace and Altamead

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes
Approval of minutes – March 23, 2011 approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Safe Routes to School Applications
Staff and Traffic Commission discussed and provided input for a public hearing for the May 25, 2011 Traffic Commission meeting to get public and school district feedback for the following projects:
 1. El Monte Avenue and Giffin Road landing area enlargement
 2. W. Portola Avenue and Santa Rita Avenue raised crosswalk and flashing lights
 3. Pathway improvement on E. Edith Avenue from Doud Drive to school fence entrance
 4. Deodora Drive and Arboretum Drive safety improvements
3. Traffic Commission Budget Request
Discussed and provided input to staff for Fiscal Year 2011-12 and 2012-13:
 1. BPAC bike banners: \$100x2=\$200
 2. Training for Commissioners: \$250x7=\$1,750
 3. Equipment and educational material: \$200

Include these items for both fiscal years.
4. BPAC Terms
Discussion and recommendation by Traffic Commission. Submit Commission report to Jon Maginot. Approved 6-0.
5. Library Commission Traffic Report
Discussion and recommendation by Traffic Commission. The Commission identified and agreed with the following problems from the Library Commission Report:

1. There was no posted speed limit within the parking areas but was unsure if speeding was the issue.
2. The parking lots invite pedestrians to walk across a busy main driveway access to the library entrance.
3. Several situations impair the ability of traffic entering and exiting the driveway at San Antonio Road:
 - Backed up traffic on San Antonio Road
 - Overgrown trees and shrubbery between the driveway and property south of driveway
 - A large transformer case on the property south of driveway.
4. Drivers make unsafe u-turns or three point turns to exit to San Antonio Road and blocking traffic in both directions.
5. When the “one minute parking” spaces are full, drivers park along the curb impeding two-way traffic flow.
6. There is not a good pedestrian pathway from the lot by the soccer field to the library.
7. At the intersection with traffic coming from City Hall, Hillview, and the Library, the right-of-way is not clear.

Item approved 6-0.

COMMISSION REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Richard Baer provided briefing on Council Meeting.

Bill Crook provided updates for BPAC.

May 12th is Bike to Work Day.

Annual Commission Training May 17th

BPAC not ready to bring BTP to Traffic Commission, May 10th Joint BPAC/TC/CC meeting cancelled

Future agenda items:

BTP

SR2S application and public hearing

BPAC applicant

TC/BPAC process update/discussion

Scope of effort for NTMP revision

Bike Boulevard

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Crook adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm

Tom Ho, Staff Liaison to the Traffic Commission