

**MINUTES
REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
MARCH 18, 2010**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson Radoumis called the Traffic Commission meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following:

Present: Traffic Commissioners: Gaitan, Radoumis, Valenzuela, and Zevallos.

Absent: Commissioner Ramirez

Present as advisors were: Tom R. Lopez, Assistant Director of Public Works; Public Safety Officer Cecilia Deltoro, and Officer Frank Igros.

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Commissioner Gaitan made a motion for Commissioner Radoumis to be Chairperson and Commissioner Valenzuela seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Commissioner Gaitan made a motion for Commissioner Valenzuela to be Vice-Chairperson, and Commissioner Radoumis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Chairperson Radoumis announced that this is the time when comments may be made by interested persons on matters not on the agenda having to do with any City traffic-related matter. There being no one who addressed the Commission, Oral Communications were declared closed.

5. REPORT FROM POLICE SERVICES

Officer Igros submitted a Traffic Bureau Report showing that there were a total of 50 accidents reported during the month of February 2010. The report also reflected an increase in accidents and property damage in February 2010 as compared to February 2009. Additionally, there were five driving under the influence incidents, no bicycle incidents, however, there was one pedestrian incident. There were ten hit and run accidents reported during the month of February 2010. Moving Citations, Moving Violations and Warning Notices were

all down for February 2010 as compared to February 2009. There was a marked increase in Parking Violations for this month

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Valenzuela moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Traffic Commission meeting of February 18, 2010. Commissioner Gaitan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. California High-Speed Rail Project

Mr. Lopez gave a brief presentation regarding the California High Speed Rail (CHSR) Project highlighting the following areas for Santa Fe Springs:

- This project will be an 800-mile, 100% clean, electric power system that travels at speeds in excess of 200 miles-per-hour.
- There is a proposed CHSR station being reviewed just south of Lakeland Road about ½ mile north of the existing Norwalk/Santa Fe Springs Transportation Center.
- There will not be any impact to residential properties, with approximately 41 industrial properties impacted, including the Municipal Services Yard and the Police staging Facility.
- There will be five (5) new grade separations constructed where there are currently at-grade crossings.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

Commissioner Zevallos reported a manhole cover with missing asphalt located on Clarkman Avenue about 300' west of Pioneer Boulevard. Mr. Lopez said he would report this and have it repaired.

Commissioner Gaitan reminded Mr. Lopez that construction workers at the Library are still starting work before 6:30 a.m. which is before the 7:00 a.m. starting time for work and they also are working on Saturday mornings.

Staff

Mr. Lopez updated the Commissioners on several projects within the City:

- The Commercial/Industrial Street Resurfacing project along Marquardt Avenue, Excelsior Drive and Mica Street has been completed.
- The bids will be accepted for the Neighborhood Center Renovation and Modernization Project and Norwalk/Santa Fe Springs Transportation Center Parking Lot Improvement Projects on March 30, 2010.
- The Fountain at the Villages at Heritage Springs has been delayed due to trying to obtain Los Angeles County approvals for the electrical service. Approval is expected next week and the project should be completed within 2 to 3 weeks after receipt of the County's approval.
- The landscaping project on the Northwest corner of Santa Fe Springs Road and Telegraph Road has been completed.
- The Los Angeles County Fiber Optic Installation project along Telegraph Road is almost complete. The work that was done on the previous weekend at Telegraph Road/Orr and Day Road and Telegraph Road/Alburtis Avenue was done in conjunction with this project.

Officer Igros requested that 25 miles-per-hour speed limit signs be placed along construction zones, especially Telegraph Road at Norwalk Boulevard and Pioneer Boulevard and Orr and Day Road. Mr. Lopez informed Officer Igros that State Codes have changed and that any signs erected lowering an existing speed limit must be justified by a speed survey or they are not valid.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, it was motioned by Chairperson Radoumis and seconded by Commissioner Valenzuela that the meeting be adjourned at 7:45 p.m.



CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


