# City of Santa Fe Springs

# **AGENDA**

# FOR THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THE:

TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Council Chambers 11710 Telegraph Road Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

> JANUARY 24, 2011 7:00 P.M.

Ted Radoumis, Chairperson Arcelia Valenzuela, Vice Chairperson Gregory Berg, Traffic Commissioner Sally Gaitan, Traffic Commissioner Manuel Zevallos, Traffic Commissioner

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# 1. CALL TO ORDER

# 2. ROLL CALL

Gregory Berg, Commissioner Sally Gaitan, Commissioner Manuel Zevallos, Commissioner Arcelia Valenzuela, Vice Chairperson Ted Radoumis, Chairperson

# 3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

This is the time when comments may be made by interested persons on matters not on the agenda having to do with City traffic-related matter.

- 4. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**
- 5. **REPORT FROM POLICE SERVICES**
- 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Traffic Commission Meeting of December 16, 2010.

**Recommendation:** That the Traffic Commission approve the minutes as submitted.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

7. Vehicle Code Changes for 2010

**Recommendation:** This report is for informational purposes only and does not require any action by the Traffic Commission.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

**Staff** 

9. **ADJOURNMENT** 

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing agenda was posted at the following locations; Santa Fe Springs City Hall, 11710 Telegraph Road; Santa Fe Springs City Library, 11700 Telegraph Road; and the Town Center Plaza (Kiosk), 11740 Telegraph Road, not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Marsha D. Chavez
Support Services Supervisor

Date

1/13/2011

# MINUTES REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS DECEMBER 16, 2010

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Radoumis called the Traffic Commission meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

# 2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Traffic Commissioners Valenzuela, Zevallos, and Chairperson

Radoumis.

Excused:

Traffic Commissioners Berg and Gaitan.

Also Present: Tom R. Lopez, Assistant Director of Public Works; Marsha D. Chavez, Support Services Supervisor; and Rafael Casillas, Principal Civil Engineer.

#### 3. 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.

#### 4. REPORT FROM POLICE SERVICES

The report was not available.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# 5. Eastside Corridor Extension Phase 2 Project

**Recommendation:** This report is for information purposes only and does not require any action of the Traffic Commission.

Mr. Lopez gave a detailed overview of the project, noting the actual project is likely ten years away from construction at earliest estimation. Mr. Lopez discussed various options being considered in the design. The Traffic Commission discussed the various options.

# 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

# 7. **COMMUNICATIONS**

#### Commission

Commissioner Valenzuela wished everyone a Happy New Year. Commissioner Zevallos also wished everyone a Happy New Year. Chairperson Radoumis noted that the next Traffic Commission meeting conflicted with a retirement event for City Manager Fred Latham. The Commission discussed various dates for the January Traffic Commission meeting. The Traffic Commission concurred that Monday, January 24, 2011 would be the best date.

Chairperson Radoumis thanked Tom Lopez, Assistant Director of Public Works for his service to the City of Santa Fe Springs on behalf of the entire Traffic Commission and wished him well in his retirement.

#### Staff

Mr. Casillas wished everyone a Happy New Year and gave a general overview of Mr. Lopez's accomplishments throughout his employment with the City of Santa Fe Springs.

Mr. Casillas gave an update on the Transportation Center Parking Lot project, noting that the completion date has been delayed due to the rain.

# 9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, it was motioned by Chairperson Radoumis and seconded by Commissioner Zevallos that the meeting be adjourned in honor of Tom Lopez and all his many contributions to the City of Santa Fe Springs, to Monday, January 24, 2011, the time being 7:37 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON	
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Traffic Commission Meeting

January 24, 2011

# TRAFFIC ENGINEER'S REPORT

Vehicle Code Changes for 2010

#### RECOMMENDATION

This report is for informational purposes only and does not require any action by the Traffic Commission.

# **BACKGROUND**

There were over 2,000 new bill proposals that were introduced during the 2010 legislative session. Out of that total, approximately 900 were eventually enacted into law, which resulted in over 100 changes to the California Vehicle Code.

A listing of the more significant changes to the 2010 California Vehicle Code includes the following:

<u>High-Occupancy Vehicle</u> – SB 535 (Yee) Authorizes DMV to issue up to 40,000 new and distinctive decals to owners of specified low emission vehicles to allow access to high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes between January 1, 1012 and January 1, 2015, and extends the validity of the current yellow decals issued to hybrid vehicle owners until July 2011, and continues the validity of the current white decals issued to owner of electric and natural gas vehicles until January 1, 2015.

<u>Driving Under the Influence: Repeat Offenders</u> – AB 1601 (Hill) Authorizes the court to order a 10-year revocation of an individual's driver license (DL) who has been previously convicted of three or more driving under the influence (DUI) offenses if the court considers certain factors. Allows a person who is serving a 10-year DL revocation to apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to have his or her privilege to operate a motor vehicle reinstated after serving five years of the 10-year revocation, subject to the condition that the person installs an ignition interlock device (IID) in their vehicle. Requires the DMV to immediately terminate the DL restriction and immediately revoke the privilege to operate a motor vehicle of a person who attempts to remove, bypass, or tamper with the device, who has the device removed prior to the termination date of the restriction, or who fails three or more times to comply with any requirement for the maintenance or calibration of the IID. **Operative January 1, 2012** 

Motorcycle Instruction Permit – AB 1952 (Niello) Requires persons under the age of 21 to complete a motorcyclist training course prior to obtaining an instruction permit to operate a two-wheel motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, motorized scooter, motorized bicycle, moped, or bicycle with an attached motor. The permittee must hold the instruction permit for a minimum of six months prior to obtaining a motorcycle license.

Report Submitted By:

Rafael O. Casillas

Department of Public Works

Date of Report: January 13, 2011

<u>Video Event Recorders</u> – AB 1942 (Fletcher) Allows a video event recorder to be mounted in a 7-inch square in the lower corner of a vehicle windshield farthest from the driver or in a 5-inch square in the lower corner on the windshield nearest the driver and outside of an airbag deployment zone, or a 5-inch square mounted to the center uppermost portion of the interior of the windshield. Defines a video event recorder and requires a vehicle equipped with a video event recorder to have a notice posted in a visible location which states that a passenger's conversation may be recorded. Requires video event recorders to store no more than 30 seconds before and after a triggering event and would allow the registered owner or lessee of the vehicle to disable the device. Specifies that the data recorded to the device is the property of the registered owner or lessee of the vehicle and when a person is driving for hire as an employee in a vehicle with a video event recorder, the person's employer would be required to provide unedited copies of the recordings upon the request of the employee or the employee's representative free of charge to the employee and within five days of the request.

<u>Local Authority: Assessing Penalties</u> – SB 949 (Oropeza) Clarifies and reinforces current law that, unless expressly authorized by the Vehicle Code, a local authority shall not enact or enforce an ordinance or resolution on matters that either establish a violation for the same or similar conduct that is already deemed a violation of the Vehicle Code, or to assess a fine, penalty, assessment or fee for a violation of matters covered by the Vehicle Code. **Operative July 1, 2011** 

<u>Motorcycle Theft</u> — AB 1848 (Garrick) Makes it a misdemeanor for a person to possess, give, or lend any device designed to bypass the factory-installed ignition of a motorcycle in order to start the engine without a manufacturer's key. Also makes it a misdemeanor to possess, give, or lend any motorcycle ignition or part of a motorcycle ignition, with the intent to unlawfully take or drive, or to facilitate the unlawful taking or driving of a motorcycle, without the consent of the owner. Finally, makes it a misdemeanor for a person to possess, give, or lend items of hardware, including, bolt cutters, electrical tape, wire cutters, wire strippers, or allen wrenches, with the intent to unlawfully take or drive, or to aid in the unlawful taking or driving of a motorcycle without the consent of the owner.

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Assistant Director of Public Works

Date of Report: January 13, 2011

Attachment(s) None.

Report Submitted By: Rafael O. Casillas

Department of Public Works