



City of Santa Fe Springs

AGENDA

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE:
TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Council Chambers
11710 Telegraph Road
Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

JULY 21, 2011
7:00 P.M.

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

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **ROLL CALL**

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

NEW BUSINESS

4. Traffic Bureau Report – June 2011

Recommendation: That the Commission receive and file the report for June 2011.

5. Request for Bus Loading Zone on Clarkman Street between Orr and Day Road and Roseton Avenue

Recommendation: That the Commission recommend to the City Council that a bus loading zone be established on the north side of Clarkman Street 130 feet west of Roseton Avenue.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Regular Traffic Commission Meeting of June 16, 2011.

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

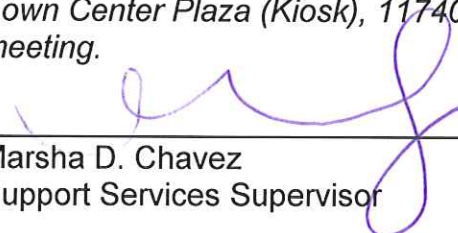
7. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Commission

Staff

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Marsha D. Chavez
Support Services Supervisor

7/15/2011

Date



City of Santa Fe Springs

Traffic Commission Meeting

July 21, 2011

NEW BUSINESS

Traffic Bureau Report – June 2011

RECOMMENDATION

That the Commission receive and file the report for June 2011.

BACKGROUND

The attached Traffic Bureau Report has been prepared that details statistical information for the month of June 2011.

A summary of primary collision factors and special conditions is provided below:

Total Accidents for Month: 50

City Property Damage:	3
Hit and Run:	14
Fatalities:	0
Injuries:	14
Property Damage:	19

Special Conditions

DUI:	3
Bicycle:	1
Pedestrian:	1

Noe Negrete
Assistant Director of Public Works

Attachment(s):

Traffic Bureau Report
Bicycle/Pedestrian Accident Report

**City of Santa Fe Springs
Served By
Whittier Police Department
Traffic Bureau Report
June 2011**

There were **50** accidents reported during the month of **June 2011**

June 2010				June 2011			
	Accidents	Injuries	Fatalities		Accidents	Injuries	Fatalities
City Property Damage	5	0	0	City Property Damage	3	0	0
Hit and Run	19	0	0	Hit and Run	14	0	0
Fatal	0	0	0	Fatal	0	0	0
Injury	17	27	0	Injury	14	20	0
Prop Damage	17	0	0	Prop Damage	19	0	0
Total	58	27	0	Total	50	20	0
Accident To Date				Accident To Date			
	Accidents	Injuries	Fatalities		Accidents	Injuries	Fatalities
City Property Damage	18	1	0	City Property Damage	16	5	0
Hit and Run	76	3	0	Hit and Run	69	9	0
Fatal	0	0	0	Fatal	1	0	1
Injury	87	118	0	Injury	91	131	0
Prop Damage	126	2	0	Prop Damage	126	2	0
Total	307	124	0	Total	303	147	1
Injured persons to date	124			Injured persons to date	147		
Persons killed to date	0			Persons killed to date	1		

Number of accidents by watch

Morning	1
Day	31
Night	18

Number of accidents by day/week

Sunday	3	Thursday	11
Monday	12	Friday	9
Tuesday	4	Saturday	5
Wednesday	6		

Number of accidents by time of day

0001-0059	0	1200-1259	7
0100-0159	0	1300-1359	2
0200-0259	0	1400-1459	5
0300-0359	0	1500-1559	4
0400-0459	0	1600-1659	3
0500-0559	0	1700-1759	5
0600-0659	1	1800-1859	5
0700-0759	3	1900-1959	1
0800-0859	1	2000-2059	3
0900-0959	1	2100-2159	0
1000-1059	2	2200-2259	1
1100-1159	3	2300-2359	3

There were **3** collisions involving persons driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs during the month **June 2011**

There was **1** bicycle and **1** pedestrian accidents reported during the month of **June 2011**

During the month of **June 2011** there were **14** hit and run accidents reported as having occurred on the roadways within the city.

Primary Collision Factors

Right-of-Way	12	21800,21801,21802,21803,21804 VC
Speed	11	22350,22348,22349 VC
Signal Violations	0	21453, 22450 VC
Driving Under the Influence	3	23152,23153 VC

Fatal/Injury count for the month of: **June 2011**

Fatalities	0	Injuries	20
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Citation Statistics for June 2011

June 2010

Moving Citations	336
Moving Violations	473
Parking Violations	315
Warning Notices	5

June 2011

Moving Citations	300
Moving Violations	399
Parking Violations	341
Warning Notices	0

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Traffic Commission Meeting

July 21, 2011

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Bus Loading Zone on Clarkman Street between Orr and Day Road and Roseton Avenue

RECOMMENDATION

That the Commission recommend to the City Council that a bus loading zone be established on the north side of Clarkman Street 130 feet west of Roseton Avenue.

BACKGROUND

A request was received by Councilmember Juanita Trujillo from representatives of Santa Fe High School for the establishment of a bus loading zone on Clarkman Street between Orr and Day Road and Roseton Avenue. This request was referred to the Public Works Engineering Division for follow-up and review. Note that this request is only for the bus that provides the transportation for the special needs students that attend Santa Fe High School. This report will review the area and identify any impacts that could affect the neighborhood.

Based on the last school year's bus operation, the bus would enter the parking lot at the signalized entrance at Orr and Day Road and Clarkman Street. The bus would then enter onto the campus via a motorized gate located at the southwest corner of the campus adjacent to Clarkman Street. The problem has been that students' vehicles follow the bus onto the campus thru the opened gate and it negates the school's efforts at trying to have a secure campus and keep students' vehicles in the exterior parking lots. For this reason Councilmember Trujillo was approached to see if the City could establish an on-street bus loading zone on Clarkman Street west of Orr and Day Road.

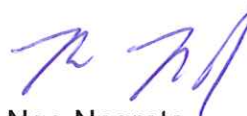
Clarkman Street east of Orr and Day Road is a local residential street with a curb to curb width of 36 feet. The street runs from the Orr and Day frontage road approximately 950 feet easterly where it terminates at a cul de sac east of Roseton Avenue. The street is unstriped and has one lane in each direction. The prima facie speed limit for Clarkman Street is 25 miles-per-hour. The north side of Clarkman Street is the south end of the Santa Fe High School campus while the south side of Clarkman Street is comprised of single family residences. There are various parking restrictions on Clarkman Street as shown on Figure 1 and listed below:

1. South side— From Orr and Day Road to Roseton Avenue—No Stopping or Parking 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on School Days
2. North side—From Orr and Day Road to Roseton Avenue—No Stopping or Parking 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on School Days
3. North side—From Roseton Avenue to easterly terminus—No Stopping Any Time

The classrooms for the special needs students are located at the south end of the high school campus near a gated driveway entrance. This driveway is located on the north side of Clarkman Street about 180 feet west of Roseton Avenue and is

used mainly for deliveries to the school. The parkway area located just east of this driveway is the location that has been requested by the high school for the bus loading zone. This location is shown on Figure 2 of this report and it falls within the No Stopping or Parking 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on school days restricted zone. The parkway in this area is comprised of a 4-foot wide sidewalk and an 8-foot wide strip of stamped concrete with tree wells located behind the sidewalk. There is a curb ramp located adjacent to the driveway which could be used by wheelchair-bound students to travel from the sidewalk level down to the driveway level. The plan is that the teachers would meet the bus at the curb and then escort the students onto the campus to the nearby classrooms. According to information provided by high school representatives, there would be two buses in the morning dropping off students about 8:00 am and two buses in the afternoon picking up students between 2:00 pm and 3:30 pm. The buses used for these pickups and dropoffs are not the full size school buses but rather smaller buses that are 25 and 30 feet long.

In the past, the residents of Clarkman Street in this area have been very concerned with the inappropriate actions of some parents driving their students to school, such as dropping off students in the resident's driveways or blocking the resident's driveway while dropping off or picking up students. In response to a request from the resident's living on the south side of Clarkman Street, east of Orr and Day Road, the parking restrictions were revised in this area in July 2003 to their present conditions. Whittier Police Department conducts random selective enforcement of the area on an as-needed basis to ensure compliance with the various parking restrictions in place. The placing of the bus loading zone on the north side of Clarkman Street should not impact the resident's ability to utilize their driveways on school days and staff recommends that the Traffic Commission concur with the request for a bus loading zone on the north side of Clarkman Street between Orr and Day Road and Roseton Avenue and recommend to the City Council that the request be approved.



Noe Negrete
Assistant Director of Public Works

Attachment(s):
Figures 1 & 2



FIGURE 1

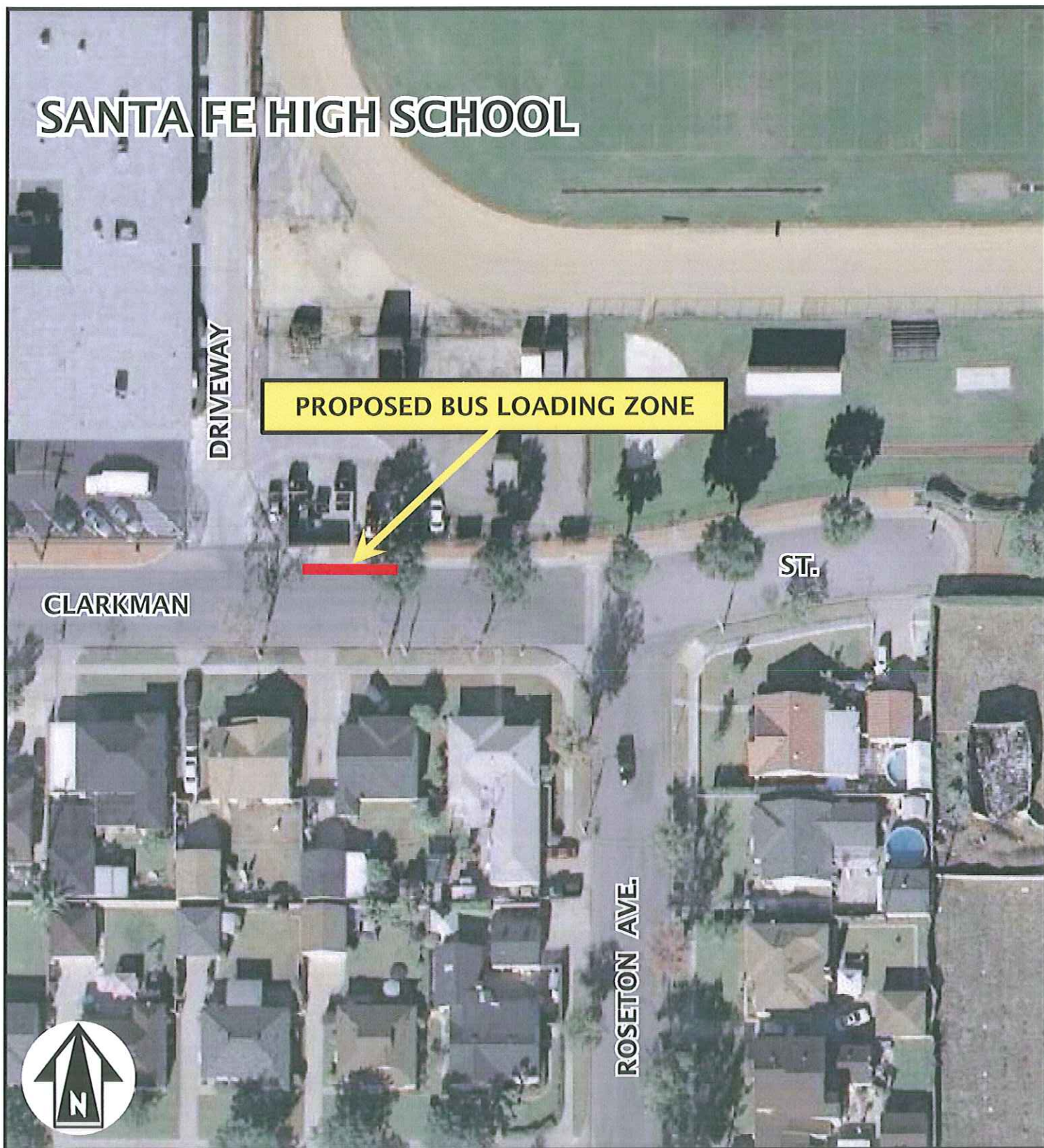


FIGURE 2

**MINUTES
REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
JUNE 16, 2011**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Gaitan made a motion that Commissioner Radoumis should chair the Traffic Commission meeting. Commissioner Berg seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Commissioner Radoumis called the Traffic Commission meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Traffic Commissioners Berg, Gaitan, Radoumis.

Excused: Vice Chairperson Zevallos.

Absent: Chairperson Arcelia Valenzuela.

Also Present: Tom Lopez, Contract Traffic Engineer; Marsha D. Chavez, Support Services Supervisor; and Sergeant Escobedo, Whittier Police Department.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Commissioner 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.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Traffic Bureau Report – May 2011

Recommendation: That the Commission receive and file the report for May 2011.

Sergeant Escobedo reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of May. The report showed that there were a total of 52 accidents reported during the month of May 2011, which is a slight increase from May 2010. There were no driving under the influence incidents; however there were two bicycle incidents and one pedestrian incident. There were six hit and run accidents reported. Moving Citations, Moving Violations, and Warning Notices all had decreased, while Parking Violations increased from May 2010 as compared to May 2011.

Commissioner Gaitan made a motion to receive and file the report for May

2011; Commissioner Berg seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

5. Traffic Study – Orr and Day Road between Florence Avenue and Clarkman Street

Recommendation: That the Traffic Commission recommend to the City Council that northbound left turns on Orr and Day Road at Longworth Avenue be prohibited.

Mr. Lopez gave a historical overview of the location on Orr and Day Road between Florence Avenue and Clarkman Street, noting that the original report to restrict left turns at Orr and Day Road and Longworth Avenue had previously been considered at the Traffic Commission meeting in November 2009. Subsequent to a Traffic Commission recommendation for implementation of a turning prohibition, the City Council directed staff to thoroughly study the area, noting all impacts to surrounding areas, particularly Orr and Day Road and Clarkman Avenue. Mr. Lopez then gave a detailed summary of the collision history and reviewed various area vehicle turn counts as well as a ten-year collision diagrams. The Commission generally discussed the area and potential impacts to this area with a left turn prohibition at Longworth Avenue.

Commissioner Gaitan inquired about the use of additional enforcement signs at Longworth Avenue to reduce the frequency of illegal turns that currently occur there and if the additional signs would actually improve the situation. Mr. Lopez confirmed that the availability of any additional signs to install is very limited but it is the actual presence of police in the area and the use of available selective enforcement that leads to better compliance of any turn restrictions. The Commission discussed various additional enforcement techniques that could be used in this area, such as pavement markings or additional police presence.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Berg moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Traffic Commission meeting of May 19, 2011 and Commissioner Gaitan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

7. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Commission

Commissioner Gaitan wished everyone a Happy Father's Day. Commissioner Berg additionally wished everyone a safe and happy summer.

Staff

Mr. Lopez noted that he was glad to be back serving the Traffic Commission in his part-time capacity as Contract Traffic Engineer.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, it was motioned by Commissioner Radoumis and seconded by Commissioner Gaitan that the meeting be adjourned, the time being 7:36 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

SUPPORT SERVICES SUPERVISOR