

**MINUTES
REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
MAY 17, 2012**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Gaitan called the Traffic Commission meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Traffic Commissioners Berg, Madrid, Puentes, Vice Chairperson Radoumis, and Chairperson Gaitan.

Also present: Noe Negrete, Assistant Director of Public Works; Marsha D. Chavez, Support Services Supervisor; Traffic Safety Officer Frank Igros, Whittier Police Department.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Chairperson Gaitan 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

Officer Igros reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of April. The report reflected that there were 48 accidents reported during the month of April 2012, a slight decrease from April 2011. There were four driving under the influence incidents, two bicycle incidents, and no pedestrian incidents. There were seventeen hit and run accidents reported. Moving Citations, Moving Violations, Hazardous Violations, and Parking Citations decreased from April 2012 compared to April 2011. The Traffic Enforcement Index was at 11.6 for the month. The intersections with the most accidents for the month were Carmenita Road/Excelsior Drive, Alondra Boulevard/Freeway Drive, and Alondra Boulevard/Marquardt Avenue.

Commissioner Berg made a motion to receive and file the report for April 2012; Commissioner Madrid seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

5. Update on the Valley View Avenue Grade Separation Project

Mr. Negrete gave an in-depth presentation on this history, current status and future plans for the Valley View Avenue Grade Separation project. The Commission discussed various impacts to residents and the overall positive results for the completion of this project.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Puentes made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular

Traffic Commission meeting of April 19, 2012 and Vice Chairperson Radoumis seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

Commissioner Berg expressed appreciation to Whittier Police Department's patrol efforts that he recently has witnessed in the community.

Vice Chairperson Radoumis announced that the Sister-City Committee will once again host a fireworks booth this year. Vice Chairperson Radoumis also announced that Fiestas Patrias would be taking place this year in mid-September.

Commissioner Madrid discussed the MTA's project involving the extension of the Gold Line and the two options being considered. Mr. Negrete noted that the City of Santa Fe Springs is hopeful that the Washington Boulevard option will be implemented, although at this time it seems that the project is about nine months behind schedule due to completion of the environmental documents.

Commissioner Puentes noted that for the June 2012 meeting, she will unfortunately be out of town for training.

Staff

Mr. Negrete followed up with items discussed at the April Commission meeting, noting that the concern regarding a business on Joslin Street and Orr and Day Road had been reported to Code Enforcement. Mr. Negrete also noted that two trees are scheduled to be removed north of the median on Orr and Day Road and Whiteland Street.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, it was motioned by Vice Chairperson Radoumis and seconded by Commissioner Madrid that the meeting be adjourned, the time being 7:01 p.m.



CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



SUPPORT SERVICES SUPERVISOR