

**MINUTES
REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
APRIL 18, 2013**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Radoumis called the Traffic Commission meeting to order at 6:17 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Radoumis, Vice Chairperson Berg, Commissioners Gaitan and Puentes

Absent: Commissioner Madrid

Also present: Tom Lopez, Consultant Traffic 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 in the audience, Chairperson Radoumis closed Oral Communications.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Traffic Bureau Report – March 2013

Mr. Lopez reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for March 2013. The report reflects 56 collisions for the month, which is a decrease from the same month last year. There were seven (7) collisions involving persons driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; three (3) collisions involving pedestrians and no bicycle collisions; ten (10) hit-and-run collisions and five (5) collisions involving city property. The three intersections with the highest collisions for the month were Norwalk Boulevard and Telegraph Road; Florence Avenue and Bloomfield Avenue; and Telegraph Road and Shoemaker Avenue.

Commissioner Puentes made a motion to receive and file the report for March 2013; Vice Chairperson Berg seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Request for Parking Restriction on Slauson Avenue West of Dice Road

Mr. Lopez presented Item 5 and showed an aerial photograph of the area on Slauson Avenue between Norwalk Boulevard and Dice Road and indicated the parking restrictions currently in effect along Slauson Avenue. He then showed a second aerial that focused in on the area of the Los Nietos Library, the Library's parking lot and the location of the new driveway on Slauson Avenue to the parking lot. He also

indicated the area of the proposed parking restriction that was being requested by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works. It was mentioned that if the City approved the parking restriction the County would install the required parking signs and support poles at their cost. It was motioned by Chairperson Radoumis that the Traffic Commission recommend to the City Council that the parking be prohibited on the south side of Slauson Avenue west of Dice Road as requested by Los Angeles County between the existing driveway and the new exit-only driveway to the Los Nietos Public Library. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Berg and the motion was approved 3 – 0 by the Traffic Commission.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gaitan made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Traffic Commission Meeting of March 21, 2013; Chairperson Radoumis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

Commissioner Puentes said that she had been approached by a couple of recreation staff members regarding the enforcement of “*Staff Only*” parking stalls located at the parking lots of the Activity Center and Lake Center Athletic Park. She inquired if the City had the authority to issue citations to non-staff vehicles that are parked in the designated stalls and if they did not have the authority what would be required to allow the issuance of citations to violators. She also reported that late at night, after Lake Center Athletic Park is closed, individuals are parking their vehicles on the Lake Center Park Lane cul-de-sac and walking into the park to hang out. She asked if anything could be done to eliminate the parking of these vehicles on the cul-de-sac.

Commissioner Gaitan thanked staff for replacing the “No U-Turn” sign located in the Telegraph Road median at Alburtis Avenue facing westbound traffic.

Commissioner Berg asked if the long signal cycles on Telegraph Road at Alburtis Avenue and Jersey Avenue can be shortened on Saturdays and Sundays.

Staff

Mr. Lopez reported back to Chairperson Radoumis regarding his request of the possibility of installing a red right turn arrow for southbound traffic at Telegraph Road and Norwalk Boulevard. While Mr. Lopez agreed that it was a good idea, he indicated that based on the current phase configuration and operation at the intersection, it could not be accomplished without the addition of additional signal logic and modifications to the signal cabinet and these items would be cost prohibitive.

Mr. Lopez informed the Commission that the Section 130 Project at Rosecrans

Avenue and Marquardt Avenue had started on Monday and this project involved the installation and modification of medians as well as traffic signal and railroad signal improvements. He also reminded the Commission of the Pioneer Boulevard at Rivera Road closure which was occurring this weekend so that BNSF railroad crews can install the track panel across Pioneer Boulevard for the future third main track that will run between Los Angeles and Fullerton. He also let the Commission know that Caltrans had provided mid May as the tentative timeline for the closure of the Alondra Boulevard Bridge over the I-5.

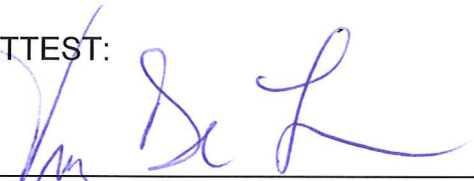
8. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, it was motioned by Chairperson Radoumis and seconded by Vice Chairperson Berg that the meeting be adjourned, the time being 6:57 p.m.



CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



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