

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson Berg called the Traffic Commission to order at 6:08 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Vice Chairperson Berg; Commissioners Gaitan and Puentes
Absent: Chairperson Ted Radoumis; Commissioner Madrid
Also present: Tom Lopez, Consultant Traffic Engineer; Vivian De Leon, Secretary; Frank Igros, Traffic Safety Officer

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Vice Chairperson Berg announced that this is the time when comments may be made by interested persons on matters not on the agenda having to do with City Business. There being no one to address the Commission, Oral Communications were declared closed.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Traffic Bureau Report – June 2013

Officer Igros reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of June 2013. The report reflects 43 collisions reported for the month of June 2013; an increase of two versus the month of June 2012. There were two collisions involving persons driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; one pedestrian and one bicycle collision reported. There were 12 hit-and-run collisions and eight collisions involving city property reported. Moving Citations, Moving Violations, and Hazardous Violations decreased, while Parking Citations increased from June 2012. The three high collision intersections for the month were Florence Avenue/Orr and Day Road; Pioneer Boulevard/Florence Avenue; and Lakeland Road/Bloomfield Avenue.

Commissioner Gaitan made a motion to receive and file the report for June 2013; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Puentes and was approved 3 – 0 by the Traffic Commission.

5. Update on the Valley View Avenue Grade Separation Project

Mr. Lopez presented Item No. 5. He noted that BNSF (Burlington Northern Santa Fe) does not allow interruption of freight service on their tracks from October to December; since this is their heavy shipping season; however the City is hopeful that train traffic can be moved onto the new bridge this November. The estimated date of completion for the project currently stands at October 21, 2014.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairperson Berg tabled the approval of minutes to the next meeting, since Commissioner Gaitan was the only Commissioner in attendance at that meeting.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

Vice Chairperson Berg questioned the time frame for road closure along Florence Avenue relating to the I-5 widening project. Mr. Lopez indicated that Caltrans has indicated a time frame of 19 months for Florence Avenue to be one lane in each direction between Roseton Avenue and Studebaker Road in Downey.

Commissioner Puentes questioned the 15-minute parking zone placed on Orr & Day Road in front of the four businesses south of Veracruz. Mr. Lopez informed the Commission that staff was directed to conduct a temporary evaluation for a 15-minute parking zone on Orr and Day Road in front of Villa's Tacos, Enos chiropractic, Santa Fe Dentist and Santa Fe Cleaners. He noted that from day one there was opposition to the restriction by the business owners and their patrons. He informed the Commission that the 15-minute parking zone had been reduced to a single 15-minute parking space, in front of the Dentist office, last Monday.

Commissioner Gaitan questioned the timing signals on Telegraph Road and Jersey Avenue. Mr. Lopez indicated that he has placed the request with the County to change the hours of signal coordination on the weekend; however, they usually take approximately four (4) to six (6) weeks to respond.

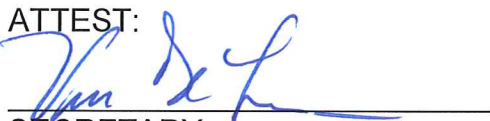
Staff

Staff updated the Commission on the progress of the I-5 Street Mitigation projects and the I-5 Widening projects.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, it was motioned by Vice Chairperson Berg and seconded by Commissioner Gaitan that the meeting be adjourned, the time being 6:40 pm.


CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

SECRETARY