MINUTES REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS DECEMBER 21, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Romo called the Traffic Commission meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Commissioners Collins; Coca, and Romo

Absent:

Vice Chairperson Martinez (excused)

Also Present:

Tom Lopez, Consultant Traffic Engineer;

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Commissioner Romo 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 traffic related business. Mr. Daniel Ajmera who resides at 11652 Telegraph Road was present and asked for modifications to the frontage road median on Telegraph Road at Alburtis. He indicated that his parked vehicles on Alburtis Avenue have been hit twice by vehicles turning right on Alburtis Avenue from eastbound Telegraph Road.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Traffic Bureau Report – October 2017 and November 2017

Officer Sanchez reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of October 2017. The report reflects seventy-one collisions, which is a decrease of four (4) compared to sixty-seven in October 2016. There was one (1) collision involving persons driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; zero (0) pedestrians and two (2) bicycle collisions. There were fourteen (14) hit-and-run collisions and six (6) collisions involving damage to city property reported. The three high collision intersections for the month were Florence Avenue/Gard Avenue (3); Carmenita Road/Cambridge Street (2); Florence Avenue/Pioneer Boulevard (2).

He also reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of November 2017. The report reflects seventy-one collisions, which is an increase of twenty-three (23) compared to forty-eight in November 2016. There were three (3) collisions involving person driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; two (2) pedestrians and two (2) bicycle collisions. There were twenty-six (26) hit-and-run collisions and eleven (11) collisions involving damage to city property reported. The three high collision intersections for the month were Carmenita Road/Foster Road (2); Norwalk Boulevard/Florence Avenue (2); Telegraph Road/Bartley Avenue (2). He also noted that under the Citation Statistics for November 2017, the Whittier Police Department

130 citations to motorists for various infractions between November 28, 2017 and November 30, 2017 in the area of the I-5 Freeway Construction Zone.

Commissioner Coca made a motion to receive and file Item 04; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes:

Collins, Coca and Romo

Noes:

None

Absent:

Martinez

Abstain:

None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Coca made a motion to approve and file the minutes for November 16, 2017; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes:

Collins, Coca and Romo

Noes:

None

Absent:

Martinez

Abstain:

None

6. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

Commissioner Coca asked Officer Sanchez if there had been an increase in the number of vehicle break-ins reported in the residential areas of the City. He indicated he wasn't aware of an increase except the usual increase that happens in the shopping center parking lots.

Commissioner Collins indicated that the City Council is considering adding an additional traffic enforcement officer for a 6-month trial basis.

Commissioner Romo questioned the timing of the northbound left turn movement at Telegraph Road and Orr and Day Road. She asked about the coordination between the signal at Telegraph Road/Bartley-605 on-ramp and Telegraph Road/Orr and Day Road. Mr. Lopez responded that the City staff had met with representatives of Caltrans and LA County several months ago to try to improve traffic flow through that segment of Telegraph Road. Caltrans indicated that changes to their equipment would have to be made and they would get back to the County and City. To date Caltrans had not responded to the County regarding a status of the equipment replacement.

Staff

Mr. Lopez provided an update of the traffic latest changes along Florence Avenue/I-5 Construction Zone that occurred on November 28th and some of the impacts created to

the residential areas in the immediate area. He also wished the Traffic Commissioners a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, Commissioner Romo adjourned the meeting, the time being 6:45 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

SECRETARY