

**MINUTES
REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
JANUARY 18, 2018**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson Martinez called the Traffic Commission meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Vice Chairperson Martinez; Commissioners Coca; Collins, and Romo

Also Present: Tom Lopez, Consultant Traffic Engineer; Vivian De Leon, Secretary; Fernando Sanchez, Traffic Safety Officer

3. ELECTION

Commissioner Coca made a motion to nominate Vice Chairperson Martinez for the seat of Chairperson; Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Vice Chairperson accepted the nomination and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes: Martinez, Coca, Collins and Romo

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Commissioner Collins made a motion to nominate Commissioner Romo for the seat of Vice Chairperson; Chairperson Martinez seconded the motion. Commissioner Romo accepted the nomination and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes: Martinez, Coca, Collins and Romo

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Chairperson Martinez 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. There being no one person to address the Commission, Oral Communications were closed at 6:03 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Traffic Bureau Report – December 2017

Officer Sanchez reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of December 2017.

The report reflects 58 collisions, which is a decrease of thirty (30) compared to 88 in December 2016. There was one (1) collision involving person driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; two (2) pedestrians and one (1) bicycle collision. There were eighteen (18) hit-and-run collisions and eight (8) collisions involving damage to city property reported. The three high collision intersections for the month were Telegraph Road / Norwalk Boulevard (2); Telegraph Road / Orr and Day Road (2) and Albutis Avenue / Pioneer Boulevard (1).

Commissioner Coca made a motion to receive and file the report for December 2017; the motion was seconded by Vice Chair Romo and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes: Martinez, Coca, Collins and Romo
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

6. 2018 Changes to the California Vehicle Code

Mr. Lopez presented Item 06 noting that Uber and Lyft drivers may not operate a vehicle with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.04 percent when driving.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair Romo made a motion to approve and file the minutes as corrected for December 21, 2017; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Coca and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes: Martinez, Coca, Collins and Romo
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

8. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

Commissioner Coca indicated that the street lights along Pioneer Boulevard between Slauson Avenue and Los Nietos Road by the railroad tracks provide inadequate lighting. She has noticed transients crossing between cars in this area which could be dangerous.

Mr. Lopez indicated that this specific section is the jurisdiction of Los Angeles County and will provide her with a contact name and number.

Commissioner Collins wanted clarification on one of the new changes noted in the Traffic Engineer's Report for the 2018 Change to the California Vehicle Code regarding Cannabis in Vehicles.

Officer Sanchez explained that this would be cited and equivalent to carrying an open container while driving.

Chairperson Martinez expressed her thanks to Officer Sanchez for his diligent work.

Staff

Mr. Lopez stated that reconstruction of Greenleaf Avenue, from Telegraph Road and Los Nietos Road has begun and would take approximately 21 days to complete.

He also announced that access on Orr and Day Road and Florence Avenue would be open in a month according to the information provided by Caltrans for this portion of the I-5 Freeway Widening.

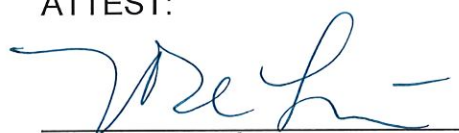
Ms. De León hoped everyone had a great holiday season.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, Chairperson Martinez adjourned the meeting, the time being 6:35 p.m.


ALMA MARTINEZ, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


VIVIAN DE LÉON, SECRETARY