

**MINUTES
REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
JUNE 21, 2018**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Chairperson Martinez (Excused)

Also Present: Tom Lopez, Consultant Traffic Engineer; Vivian De Léon, Secretary;
Fernando Sanchez, Traffic Safety Officer; Sergeant Sam Reed,
WPD

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Vice Chairperson 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. There being no one person to address the Commission, Oral Communications were closed at 6:01 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Traffic Bureau Reports – April and May 2018

Officer Sanchez introduced Sergeant Sam Reed, New Traffic Division Sergeant to the Commission and reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of April 2018 as follows. The report reflects 48 collisions, which is a decrease of one (1) compared to 49 in April 2017. There were two (2) collisions involving persons driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; zero (0) pedestrians and one (1) bicycle collision. There were seventeen (17) hit-and-run collisions and six (6) collisions involving damage to city property reported. The three high collision intersections for the month were Alondra Boulevard| Valley View Avenue (2); Bloomfield Avenue | Florence Avenue (2) and Florence Avenue| Shoemaker Avenue (2).

Commissioner Collins inquired on the increase in traffic citations issued for the month of March 2018 and the correlation with funding. Officer Sanchez indicated that without the data he could not speculate on the reason for the increase in parking citations; however, he did confirm that the Traffic Enforcement Index is used to determine the amount of funding that is received by the police department.

The Traffic Bureau Report for the month of May 2018 reflects 46 collisions, which is a decrease of eight (8) compared to 54 in May 2018. There were four (4) collisions involving persons driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; zero (0) pedestrians and one (1) bicycle collision. There were nine (9) hit-and-run collisions and eleven (11) collisions involving damage to city property reported. The three high collision intersections for the month were Alondra Boulevard | Valley View Avenue (1); Darcy Street | Orr & Day Road (1) and Florence Avenue | Fulton Wells (1).

Commissioner Hayes made a motion to receive and file the Traffic Bureau Reports for April and May 2018; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Coca and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

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

5. Request for Parking Restriction on Koontz Avenue South of Florence Avenue

Mr. Lopez presented Item 5 providing background to the parking restriction request from La Habra Welding. Mr. Lopez noted that Koontz Avenue is an industrial cul-de-sac street located 380 feet west of Florence Avenue and Norwalk Boulevard. The issues the three business at this location are experiencing range from long-term parking of trucks, to trucks being parked too close to driveways on Koontz Avenue. He also noted that the original request received from the La Habra Welding was for a parking restriction from 12:00 am to 4:00 am on both sides of Koontz Avenue south of Florence Avenue to the cul-de-sac; however, in order to better enforce the parking restriction, staff is recommending the restriction time of 10:00 pm to 4:00 am. The businesses were notified of the proposed time change and have agreed to the amended time frame.

Commissioner Hayes made a motion to recommend to the City Council that a parking restriction between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m. be implemented on the both sides of Koontz Avenue south of Florence Avenue to the end of the cul-de-sac; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Coca and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

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

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Hayes made a motion to approve and file the minutes for May 17, 2018; the motion was seconded by Vice Chair Romo and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

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

7. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

Commissioner Hayes welcomed Sergeant Reed and wished everyone a safe 4th of July Holiday.

Staff

Mr. Lopez provided updates for the following items:

- The parking restriction request for Ann Street was approved by City Council on June 14, 2018.
- The South Residential Streets Improvements project for Darcy Street, Gridley Road, Dunning Avenue and Harvest Street is complete.
- I-5 Freeway Widening, Florence Avenue Segment will be delayed about 9-12 months due to the I-5 Freeway having to be lowered about 2 feet in order to provide adequate vertical clearance under the new Florence Avenue bridge.
- Florence Avenue Rehabilitation Project between Norwalk Boulevard and Bloomfield Avenue will be going out to bid soon and will include the new 2015 Caltrans approved striping standards to accommodate autonomous vehicles.
- The Imperial Highway/Pioneer Boulevard I-5 Freeway segment should be completed in approximately 5 to 6 months.

Mr. Lopez wished everyone a happy, safe and sane 4th of July Holiday.

Officer Sanchez noted that there is a Part-Time officer working with him to help with traffic enforcement in the City.

Ms. De León welcomed Sergeant Reed, wished everyone a Happy 4th of July Holiday and encouraged everyone to drive safely.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, Vice Chair Romo adjourned the meeting, the time being 6:21 p.m.


ALMA MARTINEZ, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


VIVIAN DE LÉON, SECRETARY