

**MINUTES
REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
AUGUST 16, 2018**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Martinez; Vice Chairperson Romo; Commissioners Collins, and Hayes
Absent: Commissioner Coca, Sergeant Sam Reed, WPD Traffic Division
Also Present: Tom Lopez, Consultant Traffic Engineer; Vivian De Léon, Secretary

3. 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 6:01 PM.

Chairperson Martinez with the commissioner's approval changed the order of agenda items and moved Item 05 to be presented before Item 04 in consideration of Sergeant Sam Reed's absence attributing it to traffic.

NEW BUSINESS

5. 13325 Molette Street and 13250 Arctic Circle Request for No Stopping/Tow-Away Zone

Mr. Lopez provided a brief presentation for the request from Christy Park, the Vice President of the Fry Steel Company. He indicated that as a result of the business being in an isolated and remote industrial area of the City, it has become a haven for the long-term parking of motor homes and recreational vehicles. The request to add a Tow-Away provision in conjunction with the No Stopping signage will go a long way towards eliminating parking violations and making it easier for parking enforcement to cite offenders.

Sargent Reed (arrived at 6:14 pm).

There was a brief discussion and Sargent Reed concurred that posted signage helps the officers, especially when the tickets are contested in court.

The Commission is requesting information on the process for implementing a City-Wide ordinance prohibiting overnight recreational vehicle parking in industrial areas.

Chairperson Martinez made a motion to recommend to the City Council that a No Parking/Stopping restriction along with a Tow-Away Zone provision be implemented along the frontages of 13325 Molette Street and 13250 Arctic Circle as requested by the property owner. Fry Steel Company will pay for all of the required signage. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and was approved by the Traffic Commission by the following vote:

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

NEW BUSINESS

4. Traffic Bureau Report – July 2018

Sergeant Reed reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of July 2018. The report reflects 49 collisions, which is a decrease of fifteen (15) compared to 64 in July 2018. There were five (5) collision(s) involving persons driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; two (2) pedestrians and zero (0) bicycle collisions. There were eleven (11) hit-and-run collisions and seven (7) collisions involving damage to city property reported. The three high collision intersections for the month of July were Florence Avenue/ Norwalk Boulevard (3); Telegraph Road/Painter Avenue (2) and Telegraph Road/Alburtis Avenue (1).

Sargent Reed indicated that as a result of the combined efforts of Captain Davis and Dino Torres, one additional officer, has been assigned to patrol Santa Fe Springs for approximately 8 or 9 month period. Corporal Jakcsy will concentrate on the areas around Telegraph Road and Orr and Day Road and around city schools during drop-off zones.

Commissioner Hayes made a motion to receive and file the Traffic Bureau Report for July 2018; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and was approved by the Traffic Commission by the following vote:

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

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Hayes made a motion to approve and file the minutes for July 19, 2018; the motion was seconded by Vice Chairperson Romo and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

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

7. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

Commissioner Collins noted the improvement of traffic flow along Florence Avenue and Orr and Day Road now that there are two lanes of traffic open in each direction.

Commissioner Romo indicated that she received a request from a resident regarding motorists ignoring the stop sign at the intersection of Maxine Street and Morrill Avenue.

Sergeant Reed will include this location for patrol by Corporal Jakcsy.

Chairperson Martinez inquired on the street closure noted for Pioneer Boulevard near Los Nietos Road scheduled for August 22 and 23.

Mr. Lopez was not aware of any street closure and will check with staff for details. He will provide an e-mail update next week.

Staff

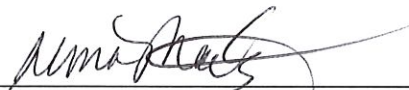
Mr. Lopez provided the following items:

- A video of traffic flow along Florence Avenue between Pioneer Boulevard and Studebaker Road over the I-5 Freeway Bridge depicting the two open lanes of traffic each way.
- The North Residential Street Improvements Project consisting of Terradell Street, Whiteland Street, Nova Street and Roma Street are underway noting that the concrete flatwork has begun and paving should begin next week.

Sergeant Reed informed the Commissioners that Officer Sanchez is currently in the second week of a two-week training seminar focusing on accident investigations.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, Chairperson Martinez adjourned the meeting, the time being 6:54 p.m.


ALMA MARTINEZ, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


VIVIAN DE LÉON, SECRETARY