# MINUTES REGULAR/SPECIAL/ADJOURNED TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS JANUARY 17, 2019

# 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 Collins; Miranda, and

Vallejo

Absent: Commissioner Coca (Excused)

Also Present: Tom Lopez, Consultant Traffic Engineer; Vivian De Léon, Secretary;

Sergeant Sam Reed, WPD Traffic Division

## 3. ELECTION

After a brief discussion among the Commissioners to continue the election to the next meeting, Vice Chairperson Romo continued the item to the next meeting, in order to have everyone present.

## 4. 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**

# 5. Traffic Bureau Report – November 2018 and December 2018

Sergeant Reed reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of November 2018. The report reflects 61 collisions, which is a decrease of ten (10) compared to 71 in November 2017. There were three (3) collisions involving persons driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; one (1) pedestrian and one (1) bicycle collision. There were twenty-five (25) hit-and-run collisions and eight (8) collisions involving damage to city property reported. The three high collision intersections for the month were Florence Avenue/Norwalk Boulevard (3); Alondra Boulevard/Marquardt Avenue (2) and Alondra Boulevard/Carmenita Road (1).

Sergeant Reed then reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of December 2018. The report reflects 68 collisions, which is an increase of ten (10) compared to 58 in December 2018. There were seven (7) collisions involving persons driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; two (2) pedestrians and two (2) bicycle collisions. There were nineteen (19) hit-and-run collisions and six (6) collisions involving damage to city property reported. The three high collision intersections for the month were Carmenita Road/Telegraph Road (1); Florence Avenue/Bloomfield Avenue (1) and Los Nietos Road/Santa Fe Springs Road (1).

Commissioner Collins made a motion to receive and file the Traffic Bureau reports for November 2018 and December 2018; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Vallejo and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Aves:

Romo, Collins, Miranda and Vallejo

Noes: Absent:

None Coca

Abstain:

None

# 6. Request for Parking Restriction on Forest Place South of Lakeland Road

Mr. Lopez welcomed Commissioners Miranda and Vallejo then began his presentation for Item 06, providing brief background for the parking restriction request for this location from the businesses on Forest Place. Mr. Lopez noted that as a result of Fashion Nova not providing sufficient off-street parking facilities for their employees, their employee's park along Forest Place and habitually trash the area with food wrappers and other debris. Mr. Lopez noted that this is the only nearby street without a parking restriction and is the closest street within walking distance to Fashion Nova.

Commissioner Collins made a motion for the Commission to recommend to the City Council that a parking restriction between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. be implemented on both sides of Forest Place south of Lakeland Road; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and was approved by the Traffic Commission by the following vote:

Ayes:

Romo, Collins, Miranda and Vallejo

Noes: Absent: None Coca

Abstain:

None

## 7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairperson Romo made a motion to approve and file the minutes for the meeting of November 15, 2018; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes:

Romo, Collins, Miranda and Vallejo

Noes:

None

Absent:

Coca

Abstain:

None

#### 8. COMMUNICATIONS

## Commission

Commissioner Vallejo asked if commercial trucks were allowed to park on residential streets.

Sergeant Reed indicated that commercial trucks are allowed to park for 30 minutes between 2:00 am and 6:00 am; and that there is a weight restriction for vehicles weighing over 6,000 lbs. to 10,000 lbs.

Commissioner Collins inquired on the status of the northbound STOP bar relocation request from Mr. Paul Nakamura on Roseton Avenue, and the request from Mr. Aguirre to have a STOP sign installed westbound on Darcy Road.

Mr. Lopez indicated that as a result of the holiday and the rain, he had not had a chance to do a site inspection for each location.

Sergeant Reed also noted that since the last meeting in November, he has only received two calls from residents surrounding this location and these residents are aware that this was short term issues, as a result of the I-5 Freeway widening project on Florence Avenue.

## Staff

Mr. Lopez explained to the Commissioners that each request received from commercial residents and residential residents are taken into consideration and reviewed based on a comparison of the existing conditions for the location versus the guidelines for consideration of additional signing, striping, and traffic control devices that are outlined in the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. The Traffic Engineer's Report with the recommendation is then prepared and presented to them at a subsequent meeting.

Mr. Lopez indicated that the I-5 Freeway widening project is progressing slowly and may take a year to complete.

## 9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, Vice Chairperson Romo adjourned the meeting, the time being 6:36 p.m.

NANCY ROMO, VICE CHAIRPERSON

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VIVIAN DE LÉON, SECRETARY