

**CITY OF SAN MARINO
TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMISSION
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

June 20, 2016

7:01 p.m.

City Hall

2200 Huntington Drive

San Marino, CA 91108

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Coupe called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Chair Coupe

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Chair Coupe, Commissioner Doo, Commissioners Chang, Crowley, Gupta

Commissioners Absent: Alternate Lo

City Officials Present: Chief John N. Incontro, Terry Rodrigue

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Simon Isaac (1400 Block S. San Gabriel Blvd) - Spoke about the speed limit along S. San Gabriel Blvd. being 35 MPH driving into San Marino where the limit changes into 40 MPH. Mr. Isaac stated many surrounding Cities have ordinances regarding the speed limits. City of San Marino should consider implementing an ordinance as well. Per Traffic Engineer Terry Rodrigue, the area is within Los Angeles County's jurisdiction. However, we can contact the County and seek information on a Speed Survey such as those conducted within San Marino. Once we receive this information we will contact Mr. Isaac to keep him apprised of the County's response and direction. We will then place the item on the agenda and discuss further.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM APRIL 18, 2016:** Commissioner Crowley moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Chang seconded. Minutes passed unanimously with approved changes.

2. **TRAFFIC COMMISSION TRAINING:** Mr. John Fisher provided training to our Commissioners regarding Pedestrian Safety Measures. Mr. Fisher focused on the following areas: 1) Mid-Block Signals, 2) High Visibility markings, Marked Crosswalks, Overhead Signs, Striped Narrowing, In Pavement Roadway Lights, Flags (where pedestrians flash them when passing the street. The training provided examples of each option identifying the

positive and negative impacts including long / short term measures. Mr. Fisher also emphasized that the vehicle code is pretty clear where motorists must yield to pedestrians.

Commissioner Crowley asked to what point the vehicle code constitutes that a motorist needs to stop for pedestrians. Commissioner Crowley specifically mentioned individuals being on the phone and stepping down.

Mr. Fisher stated that if the pedestrian has stepped down you as a driver need to yield. Mr. Fisher also mentioned working with a “smart detector” technology where it alerted the driver of a pedestrian walking in which the flashing lights were activated. However, with that you couldn’t tell which way the pedestrian was going. Hence, we moved back to the old fashion timers.

Commissioner Chang inquired on the countdown timers. Can you step down when the timer has already started?

Mr. Fisher stated when the countdown is displayed 15, 14, 13, you also have at the same time the flashing hand. The flashing countdown means you as a pedestrian need to adjust your speed.

OLD BUSINESS

3. UPDATE ON “STOP” OR “YIELD” SIGNS ON CANTERBURY AND SANTA ANITA ROADS AND OTHER NON-CONTROLLED INTERSECTIONS:

Terry Rodrigue, City Traffic Engineer stated we identified four intersections within the City. All of these uncontrolled intersections as indicated under the vehicle code state vehicles need to yield to the person on the right. There have been six traffic collisions in this area based on the information provided by the Police Department Traffic Collision report within the past five years. It was obvious in reviewing the collision report that the drivers were at speeds of 35 MPH during the collisions. These are not significant collisions based on a five year report.

We will bring a recommendation to the Commission with a stop controlled intersection where everyone needs to stop. Don’t see this as a big issue. However, all residents need to be notified. The recommendation to City Council will be to install the stop controlled intersection.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were no written communications

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

There were no Commissioner Reports

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Incontro gave a report on the increase of traffic collisions where we have had 101 vs 72. We had a total of six Hit and Run collisions. Identified the core collision areas where drivers were simply not paying attention. We have written 184 speeding tickets thus far this year.

Chair Coupe inquired as to why this was low.

Chief Incontro indicated that our three trainees will move up to drive on their own soon and this will help increase our issuance of speeding tickets.

Chair Coupe inquired about the installation of speed bumps on Shakespeare south of Wallingford.

Chief Incontro stated we mailed out notifications to residents regarding this item and we did not receive positive or negative feedback from anyone.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT

Public Works Manager, Dean Werner provided update on a few projects for this fiscal year.
Virginia Road – Concrete enhancements through Huntington / El Molino
Pavement Management Plan – will be complete by the end of June
Currently finishing up overhangs on California
New signs will be installed soon

PUBLIC WRITINGS DISTRIBUTED

There were no public writings distributed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Coupe adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held at City Hall in Council Chambers on Monday, July 18, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. INCONTRO