



MINUTES

Meeting of the San Marcos Traffic Commission

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2017

City Council Chambers

1 Civic Center Drive, San Marcos, CA 92069

CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chairman Rico called the Traffic Commission Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Musgrove

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: MASTERSON, NICKEL, MAKROGIANNIS, RICO, MUSGROVE, COLLINS, SAVOVIC

ABSENT: HANSEN, BUCKLEY

ALSO PRESENT: Senior Traffic Engineer, Mike Rafael; Principal Traffic Engineer, Nicholas Abboud; Sheriff Deputy, Mark Foster; Traffic Commission Secretary, Sara Jacobs; and Traffic Commission Secretary, Denise Avila.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Warren Witt, 1775 Grain Mill Road, expressed concerns about the traffic congestion during school hours, increase in vehicle collisions in San Elijo, a missing Speed Limit sign on Twin Oaks Valley Road from Double Peak Drive, confusing School Zone signs on San Elijo Road, both directions; also, extend left turn lane onto Schoolhouse Way from San Elijo Road to allow straight traffic to flow through; extend right turn lane on the opposite direction to allow straight traffic to flow through. Engineering staff to report back to the Traffic Commission on findings and recommendations after completion of their investigation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 1, 2017

Commissioner Nickel makes a motion to accept the minutes as recorded. Commissioner Musgrove seconds the motion. Motion carries.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: MASTERSON, NICKEL, RICO, COLLINS, SAVOVIC

NOES: COMMISSIONERS:

ABSTAINS: COMMISSIONER: MAKROGIANNIS, MUSGROVE

6) OLD BUSINESS

a. None



7) NEW BUSINESS

a. Request for an ALL WAY STOP Control at the Intersection of La Mirada Drive and Pacific Street

The San Diego County Sheriff's Department requested City staff to determine if an ALL WAY STOP may be installed at the intersection of La Mirada Drive and Pacific Street due to an increase of collisions the Deputies have been responding to within the last 6 months and may also help reduce the high number of broadside type of collisions at the intersection. City staff conducted an engineering study, including traffic volume collection during the A.M. and P.M. peak periods, to determine the feasibility of the ALL WAY STOP, as requested by the Sheriff's Department. Traffic volumes met the minimum volume criteria for an ALL WAY STOP for both conditions. City staff recommends the installation of an ALL WAY STOP at all approaches of the La Mirada Drive and Pacific Street intersection based on satisfying the California MUTCD criteria. Installations should include: new pavement legends, limit lines, an ALL WAY STOP, and STOP AHEAD warning signs. Staff also recommends the installation of 40 MPH SPEED LIMIT signs on La Mirada Drive, between Rancho Santa Fe Road and Las Posas Road.

Commissioner Musgrove motions to accept staff recommendations for the installation of an ALL WAY STOP at the intersection of La Mirada Drive and Pacific Street. Commissioner Nickel seconds the motion. All Commissioners approve. Motion carries.

b. Request for an ALL WAY STOP Control at the Intersection of Double Peak Drive and Ridgeland Court

San Elijo residents in the Bella Vista Community are requesting an ALL WAY STOP control at the intersection of Double Peak Drive and Ridgeland Court. They feel that an ALL WAY STOP control would allow for safer parking and traffic operations at the intersection. City staff conducted an engineering study to determine the feasibility of implementing an ALL WAY STOP control at the intersection in question. Based on the findings of this study, it is concluded that the subject intersection meets the criteria for an ALL WAY STOP control based on the need to control vehicle/pedestrian conflicts that generate high pedestrian volumes. The adjacent parking lot also creates conflicts between parked vehicles pulling out of the spaces into through traffic. A new ALL WAY STOP would help improve traffic safety and parking operations at the intersection. Engineering staff recommends the installation of an ALL WAY STOP at the intersection of Double Peak Drive and Ridgeland Court based on the criteria per the California MUTCD. The installation shall include new pavement legends, limit lines, 50-feet of double yellow centerlines, ALL WAY signs, and STOP AHEAD signs.

Commissioner Makrogiannis motions to accept staff recommendations for the installation of an ALL WAY STOP at the intersection of Double Peak Drive and Ridgeland Court. Commissioner Musgrove seconds the motion. Commission approves. Motion carries.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: MASTERSON, NICKEL, MAKROGIANNIS, RICO, MUSGROVE, SAVOVIC
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: COLLINS
ABSTAINS: COMMISSIONER: NONE



8) **REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a. Work Order Updates
- b. San Diego County Sheriff's Department Traffic Collision Summary And Accident Investigation Log
- c. Traffic Commission Commentary
- d. Staff Commentary

9) **ADJOURNMENT:** Vice Chairman Rico adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Arturo Rico, Vice Chairman
Traffic Commission

ATTEST:

Denise Avila, Secretary
Traffic Commission