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## **NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING**

### ***TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION***

DATE & TIME: May 10, 2016: 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: PACIFIC GROVE POLICE CONFERENCE ROOM - 580 PINE AVENUE

#### **MEETING AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**A. Written Communications.**

**B. Oral Communications** (*Comments from the audience will not receive Traffic Safety Commission action at this meeting. Comments must deal with matters subject to the jurisdiction of the Traffic Commission and will be limited to three minutes. Whenever possible, letters should be submitted to the Commission in advance of the meeting.*)

**4. COMMISSIONER AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. Announcements**

1. Minutes for this meeting are scheduled to be prepared by Commissioner Petersen.

**B. Staff and Commissioner's meeting attendance of interest to this Commission**

1. Reports from any relevant meetings that occurred between April 12, 2016 and May 10, 2016.

**C. Ex-Parte Meetings and Communications**

1. Meetings attended during this time-frame, if applicable.

## 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

### A. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings

Minutes of the Traffic Safety Commission Meeting of April 12, 2016.

**Minutes were prepared by: Commissioner Petersen**

**Recommended Action: Approve Minutes**

### B. Approval of Minutes of Other Meetings, etc.

1. None.

## 6. REGULAR AGENDA:

### A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. None.

### B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. None.

### C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Mark Stotzer is requesting a stop sign on Walnut Street at Marino Pines, and improved signage/enforcement of 'no left turn' on Walnut Street at Sunset (limited visibility east-bound 68 at this point). The request is made due to excessive speed of vehicles leaving Sunset onto Walnut to the next stop sign at Maple Street. His request was presented at the April 2016 meeting. This request may be affected by changes from the "Sunset/Highway 68 Corridor Study" improvements currently under consideration for funding. **Reference: Commander Lakind Recommended Action: Discuss and Take Appropriate Action as Necessary**

2. Mr. Don Nance submitted a petition signed by 50 residents of Pacific Grove requesting that Pine Avenue be reduced to one lane in each direction and adding a bike lane in each direction. This issue has been discussed previously, most recently regarding a request for a four-way stop at the intersection of Pine and Congress, and when the Pine Avenue slurry-seal was being prepared. **Reference: Commander Lakind. Recommended Action: Discuss and take appropriate action as necessary.**

3. Mr. Mark Brodeur, Community Development Director, will present the Lighthouse Avenue Concept Plan to the Commissioners. **Reference: Commander Lakind. Recommended Action: Discuss and take appropriate action as necessary.**

4. Ms. Judith Webb is requesting that the red curb be extended on both sides of Acacia Street at its intersection with Eardley. This is to allow vehicles entering Acacia from Eardley to have an appropriate exiting speed, to limit rear-end collisions in this steep segment of Eardley. **Reference: Commander Lakind. Recommended Action: Discuss and take appropriate action as necessary.**

5. At the April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Commission reviewed a request from a resident on Caledonia Street regarding long-term parking of recreational vehicles (longer than the 72-hour parking limit) between Central Avenue and Jewell Avenue. Following several field reviews of the area after that meeting. Traffic Engineer Silva has prepared a staff report, which is attached. **Reference: Traffic Engineer Silva. Recommended Action: Discuss and take appropriate action as necessary.**

**D. REPORTS FROM SUB-COMMITTEES:**

1. Monthly status reports (as available)
  - a. Traffic Safety Commission 2016 Work Plan and Priority List. A recent copy of the 2016 Work Plan and Priority List is attached as a reference.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

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*This meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are welcome to attend. The City of Pacific Grove does not discriminate against individuals with disabilities and meetings are held in accessible facilities.*

# ITEM 5.A



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## Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2016

### *TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION*

DATE & TIME: April 12, 2016: 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: PACIFIC GROVE POLICE CONFERENCE ROOM - 580 PINE AVENUE

#### **MEETING AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm.  
Commissioners present: Shayne, Prock, Petersen, Kubica, Terry  
Commissioners absent: Tope

Others present: Interim Chief of Police Steve Belcher, PG Councilman Ken Cuneo, Councilman Bill Peake, Traffic Engineer Silva, Public Works Director Daniel Gho, Vince Tumminello, Wendy Marrow, Heather Grant, Jim Colbert, Peter Skinner, Principal Roggeman, Mark Stotzer

- 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Prock and seconded by Commissioner Terry. Vote to approve was unanimous.

- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

A. Written Communications: None

B. Oral Communications: 1.) Vince Tuminello advised a.) his concern for pedestrian safety at intersection of Forest and Spruce, and b.) the terrible condition of Highway 68 – Public Works Director Gho advised all citizens put a work ticket in at the CALTRANS San Luis Obispo website; 2.) Wendy Marrow, whose mom lives at 19<sup>th</sup>/Jewell, is concerned about RV parking there- she was advised that this is an agenda item; 3.) Jim Colbert asked about a petition with 50 signatures regarding adding bike lanes to Pine Ave- he was advised that this will be added to the May agenda; 4.) Councilman Peake advised that the proprietors of DiMaggio's Cleaners are concerned

with people parking so close to their driveway that they are unable to see cars coming as they are leaving their premises. He also said that a lot of illegal u-turns are made in front of their business. Also, a safety issue of kids crossing at a cross street- he will get back to us with the intersection; 5.) Councilman Cuneo reminded everyone to vote on April 19<sup>th</sup> and of the Volunteer Reception taking place that night. 6.) Mark Stotzer brought up closing the intersection of Marino Pines/Walnut, south of Maple- he was advised that this would be added to the May agenda.

#### 4. COMMISSIONER AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Staff and Commissioner's meeting attendance of interest to this Commission

1. Commissioner Petersen attended the TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian meeting on April 6, 2016. No update.

B. Ex-Parte Meetings and Communications

1. None.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings

Minutes of the Traffic Safety Commission Meeting of February 8, 2016.

Minutes were prepared by: **Commissioner Petersen**

Recommended Action: Approve Minutes: **Moved by Commissioner Prock and seconded by Commissioner Kubica**

B. Approval of Minutes of Other Meetings, etc.

None.

#### 6. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. None.

B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. None.

C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. The status of the Highway 68 Corridor Study to be presented. **In conjunction with CALTRANS, Pacific Grove, and TAMC, Ariana Green (TAMC) presented the First Draft Conceptual Designs that showed several alternatives along the corridor that included intersections and road improvement configurations. The intersections reviewed were Forest/Piedmont, Forest/Prescott, Sunset/Congress, and Sunset/17 Mile Drive. These first drafts were based on community input from: 1.) An online survey, 2.) An interactive map on which people could post comments, 3.) Stakeholder luncheon, 4.) a public workshop. These concepts are also, being presented for comments to the public at two workshops on April 19<sup>th</sup> in PG. These can also be reviewed as part of a brief survey at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/PGhwy68ideas](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PGhwy68ideas) which will be open through May 2, 2016. They can be also, picked up at Pacific Grove City Hall. The project**

website is [www.PGhwy68.org](http://www.PGhwy68.org) to get the latest news. Ariana's email address is [ariana@tamcmonterey.org](mailto:ariana@tamcmonterey.org) for questions or comments.

2. Mr. Paul Marko of 304 Fountain Avenue is requesting unrestricted parking on Laurel Avenue between Grand and Fountain and/or parking permits on Fountain between Pine and Laurel. This request is made due to the addition of eight apartment units at 302 Fountain, which will add additional parked cars to the area. **Heather Gregg appeared to present her concerns for parking places to accommodate the 8 new apartments that will be renovated at Laurel/Fountain. Renovation will begin in September . It has already She suggested some parking options: 1.) have open parking on the stretch of Laurel from Grand to Foutain, and 2.) parking permits on Fountain. Safety in that area for children is also a concern. She questioned why the #2 bus was recently changed to come down Fountain Ave (which is a very narrow street) instead of no longer going down Grand Ave? Traffic Engineer Silva confirmed the MST change of route about a year ago and advised that we do have a parking permit process, the request can be made with the TSC, who can then make a recommendation to the City Council. Councilman Cuneo advised that Councilman Miller is our MST contact. Commissioner Shayne asked that staff look at this and bring back suggestions. Heather advised that this has been approved by the ARB and that Laurel has been assigned this project. Director Gho advised that he will review this with Laurel. It's too early in the procss for the TSC to be involved but we appreciated the heads up on this and will watch for it at a future date.**

3. Frances Jurnak is requesting that the parking on 18<sup>th</sup> Street between Laurel and Lighthouse be looked at due to multiple commercial users: Gosby House hotel guests, short-term rental users, long-term rental users; as well as residents. A copy of the email text is attached. The parking on one side of 18<sup>th</sup> is not allowed due to the street width, and it one-way in the northerly direction. Parking tees were recently added near Lighthouse to clearly mark individual spaces and delineate the driveways. **Ms. Jurnak was not present for discussion. This was discussed by the commission and moved by Commissioner Terry as No Action to be taken by the TSC. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Prock. It was so moved by unanimous vote.**

4. Mr. Jeff Lewis of the Workman Place cul-de-sac is having a tough time navigating the circle due to parked cars. He is requesting 'No Parking' signs to be installed so that delivery and garbage trucks can navigate the circle. **Mr. Lewis was not in attendance. This was discussed by the commission and moved by Commissioner Prock to deny the request for No Parking signs at the end of Workman Place. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Terry. It was so moved by unanimous vote.**

5. Mr. Rich Kovatch is requesting that where Lighthouse Avenue ends at Asilomar Boulevard, there should be some form of traffic control, such as a yield or stop. Currently, there are left and right-hand turn lanes marked with no other signed controls. **Traffic Engineer Silva advised that it is required to come to a stop at a T intersection – which this is. Also, that there had been two**

accidents here in the past 5 years (with neither one at the T), that it was re-stripped/ refreshed last year, that it is a low volume intersection, and lastly that the speed at that segment was lowered to 25mph on 3/19/16. This was discussed by the commission and moved by Commissioner Prock to deny this request- no further action is required. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Terry. It was so moved by unanimous vote. Public Works Director Gho said that he would have the trees trimmed at the cemetery corner for better visibility.

6. In an anonymous email to the Police Department, a resident reported that she would like the 72- hour law for parking shortened for the area by her family's house by Caledonia Park. She is upset that two RVs are blocking the view and making it difficult to drive through the area. They do move the vehicles every 72 hours but would like the area to be reconsidered for shorter term parking. She also believes that garbage trucks have a tough time navigating the street around the park. **Wendy Marrow was here to discuss this issue. She brought pictures and said that she's concerned for the safety of children and seniors. These RVs are being stored there, are not vacationers. These RVs take up 4 parking spaces so seniors have to walk farther to get to lunch at Sally Griffin's. Also, as children are playing at Caledonia Park, visibility is less due to the Airstream, if they try to cross Caledonia, it creates a possible safety issue. Chief Belcher said he gets calls on these everyday. Commissioner Shayne suggested a possible red zone in that space? This is a problem all over town. Traffic Engineer Silva will review the neighborhood and get back to the commission to advise of his findings – seems to be an enforcement issue. Commissioner Prock moved that we forward this issue to TE Silva for review. It was seconded by Commissioner Terry, and passed unanimously.**

7. Principal Buck Roggeman of Forest Grove Elementary School would like to have the Commission consider putting up 'no overnight parking' signs around streets of the different schools. **Principal Roggeman was in attendance to ask if we could give PGPD more authority to cite vehicles parked adjacent to schools and to not allow overnight parking next to the schools. Is it possible to add this for all schools? Commissioner Shayne asked if it might be possible to bring in the Department of Homeland Security for a grant? TE Silva advised his only opportunities would be to designate parking/no parking – can sign and mark for all times – but would not do that. Can the Commission propose something – this is beyond the scope of our traffic engineer. He recommends that we do a study, identify issues/needs, draft ordinance for community to review and make a recommendation to council. Bring in consulting engineer, and this is a significant effort and would be a good idea that would provide the PGPD the enforcement tools they would need. Councilman Cuneo advised that this would be good to do for all the schools and to do the following: make sure it's coordinated with the school district and all are in agreement, put together and send a well-thought out package to City Council for review. Commissioner Shayne suggested we establish task force/sub-committee for a starting point. Principal Roggeman said he will bring this up with school administrators and that he would be**

**willing to be our point of contact. We will defer to next meeting to establish a sub-committee. If possible, Principal Roggeman will provide additional information prior to next meeting.**

**8. Mr. Peter Skinner is requesting to discuss the addition of secure bike parking within the city. He would like to present the feasibility of the concept to the Commission. Mr. Skinner became aware of the PG bicycle parking issue when he first moved to PG a few months ago. He heard about the grant program through TAMC. He was put in touch with Caleb Schneider to create the grant that awarded bicycle parking at Lovers Point, for which we are all grateful. He presented the Commission with handouts of suggestions for possible bicycle parking downtown. Mr. Skinner would like to create some type of bicycle parking in PG without cost to the City or the public. He is asking the commission for feedback. Public Works Director Gho advised that there would be funding for this going forward but the best next step would be to take this to the Chamber of Commerce and speak with Moe Ammar. Director Gho also suggested he speak with Virginia Murillo at TAMC. Mr. Skinner said he would follow up with them.**

**D. REPORTS FROM SUB-COMMITTEES:**

- 1. Monthly status reports (as available)**
  - b. Traffic Safety Commission 2016 Work Plan and Priority List. A recent copy of the 2016 Work Plan and Priority List is attached as a reference.**

**7. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm**

# ITEM 6.D.1

## Traffic Safety Commission 2016 Work Plan

The following 2016 Work Plan for the Traffic Safety Commission is respectfully submitted (The 2015 Work Plan was used as the start point):

1. Receive and respond to citizen complaints and issues concerning traffic safety.
2. Work toward better communication between the Traffic Safety Commission and other City boards, commissions, and committees working on items of mutual concern (e.g., the Trolley, parking regulations, parking meters, etc).
3. Receive and review current data on vehicle-to-vehicle collisions, bike and pedestrian-to-vehicle collisions, and moving violations at the January and July meetings, and select at least one priority project to work on in the subsequent six month periods.
4. In accordance with Pacific Grove's portion of the 2010 Monterey County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan:
  - (a) Review and update our list of pedestrian safety hotspots developed several years ago and select at least one priority project for completion.
  - (b) Review the use of sharrows ("share the road" pavement markings to inform bicyclists and motorists that they share the road) in Pacific Grove.
  - (c) Recommend that the Class II bike lane on Sunset Drive be regularly maintained to enable use of the full lane.
5. Implement a pedestrian safety education campaign. An example of a free, well-developed campaign is "It's Up to All of Us" from the California Office of Traffic Safety and the Pedestrian Safety Program of the California Department of Public Health ([www.cdph.ca.gov/AllofUs](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/AllofUs)).

### Traffic Safety Commission Project Priority List

Pine Avenue - green medians, bulbouts

Forest Grove School - Congress Ave Sidewalk

Lighthouse Ave @ Congress Avenue - bulbouts, crosswalk and pavement treatments

Jewell, Pacific & Caledonia - pedestrian crossing across Jewell, stop sign

Fountain Avenue & Central Avenue - intersection changes, perhaps a roundabout

Improve Ocean View Ave Access to Rec Trail - at Fountain, Grand, & Forest  
Forest Avenue @ Forest Hill Blvd -- median, flashing crosswalk, other  
recommendations

Fountain @ Lighthouse Avenue - bulbouts, crosswalk and pavement treatments

David Avenue - SaveMart driveway westerly to end - Sidewalks

Central Avenue @ Grand Avenue -- bulbouts, other recommendations

Lighthouse Avenue @ 17th Street - bulbouts, crosswalk and pavement  
treatments

Lighthouse Avenue @ Grand Avenue - bulbouts, crosswalk and pavement  
treatments

Recreation Trail - safety improvements

Other intersections with Lighthouse -- bulbouts, crosswalk and pavement  
treatments

Sidewalk gap construction all over town



## MEMO

May 4, 2016

**To:** Traffic Safety Commission  
**From:** William J. Silva, P. E., Traffic Engineer   
**Subject:** Caledonia St. – Central Ave. to Jewell Ave  
**Resident Concern Regarding Recreation Vehicle Parking**

At the Traffic Safety Commission meeting on April 12, 2016, the Commission reviewed a request from a resident on Caledonia Street regarding the long term parking of recreation vehicles including a travel trailer and a motor home on Caledonia Street. The resident reported that two recreation vehicles were “blocking the view” and making it difficult to drive through the area. The resident also requested that the 72-hour law for parking of vehicles be shortened in the area of their family’s house on Caledonia Street. The request was referred to staff for review and report back to the Commission at the May meeting.

After the April 12 Commission meeting, I made a field review of Caledonia Street and took photos of a travel trailer and a motor home parked at the curb in the northbound segment of Caledonia Street between Central Avenue and Jewell Avenue. The vehicles were not creating an obstruction to through traffic. I forwarded my photo to the Police Department for their information regarding enforcement of the 72-hour time limit as provided in the Pacific Grove Municipal Code, and requested that they monitor parking in the area.

On Monday, May 2, 2016 I made a field review of the area and observed the same motor home that had been previously parked on the east side of the northbound segment of Caledonia Street parked on the east side of the southbound segment of Caledonia Street along the Park frontage. There were no recreation vehicle parked on the northbound segment of Caledonia Street

On Saturday, April 23, the Traffic Enforcement Officer patrolled Caledonia Street and took a photo of the area where the recreation vehicles had been previously parked. No recreation vehicles were parked in the area at that time. On Thursday, April 28, the Traffic Enforcement Officer again patrolled the area and found no violations. On Sunday, May 1, a Police Officer on patrol issued a citation to a motor home parked on the sidewalk on the east side of Caledonia Street, south of Jewell Avenue.

The easterly segment of Caledonia Street between Central Avenue and Jewell Avenue is a One-Way street in the northbound direction with a curb to curb width of 26 feet and parking allowed on both sides of the street. Sections of curb on the west side of the street are painted red for No Parking at openings in the fence to Caledonia Park. The width of the street is adequate for parking on both sides, with through-traffic passing between parked vehicles.

The east side of the northbound segment of Caledonia Street has no fronting houses north of Union Street. This segment of the street is the rear of lots that front on 19<sup>th</sup> Street. There are no parking restrictions on the east side of the northbound segment of Caledonia Street from Central Avenue to Jewell Avenue. As described in the previous paragraph, there are short sections of red curb on the west side of the street at the Park fence openings.

Caledonia Street provides parking for Caledonia Park, and is also used by visitors to the Sally Griffin Senior Center. The 72-hour parking limit provided by the Pacific Grove Municipal Code is consistent with the California Vehicle Code and provides adequate provision for enforcement and control of long term parking of vehicles on City streets. A shorter time limit is not recommended. Further marking of red curbs on Caledonia Street would reduce the amount of curb available for vehicle parking and is not recommended.

cc: Daniel Gho, Public Works Director  
Commander Lakind, Police Department

Attachments: Photos of Caledonia St. April 12, 2016, and April 23, 2016  
E-mail from Resident dated April 14, 2016



**4/12/2016  
6:31:06 PM**



**4/23/2016  
12:29:51 PM**



William Silva &lt;wsilva@cityofpacificgrove.org&gt;

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**Recreational Vehicle Parking along Caladonia Park**

2 messages

ladybuglady123@comcast.net &lt;ladybuglady123@comcast.net&gt;

Thu, Apr 14, 2016 at 9:04 PM

To: wsilva@cityofpacificgrove.org

To refresh your memory, I am the lady who attended this past Tuesday's Traffic Committee meeting concerning the parking of trailers around Caledonia Park.

I drove around Caladonia Park this afternoon and discovered that there is curbing only on the east, west, and north sides. The entire south side of the park has no cement curb, except for about 20 feet around each corner up to the drainage ditches. I've attached several pictures of the parking situation occurring on the south side of Caledonia. As you can see, cars are parking on the lawn along the edge of the park on that side. I also included two pictures of how the owners of the Airstream trailer and the Winnebago park their vehicles. Certainly both are somewhat illegal. As you will notice, the Airstream trailer is parked with its back half angle into the street and the Winnebago parks halfway on the sidewalk behind his house, which hinders pedestrian traffic. I have actually seen couples walking their dog have to go single file or use the middle of the street to get by the Winnebago.

I don't know why the City didn't curb all four sides of Caladonia Park, but my guess is that they ran out of money. I think this is something they need to look at doing in the near future, especially if they are going to paint red markings on the north side. I can guarantee the Airstream trailer will play his 72-hour park and move game on the uncurbed (south) side of Caledonia if the north side curb is painted with incremental red markings. I have already seen the Airstream at least twice parked on the south side of the park with the Winnebago about 20 feet behind it! I'm sure this will prompt many calls from neighbors on that side of the street . . . and the whole scenario will begin again.

Also, I discovered the reason why the Airstream trailer is not parking at the upper end of the north side of Caledonia, where the owner of said vehicle lives. There are several approximately 20 foot red curb markings at that end of Caledonia which I never noticed before. I don't know why the red markings are so long, but hopefully they won't paint them that long down at the lower end on the north side of Caledonia. The seniors who volunteer at the Sally Griffin Senior Center really need to be able to park at the lower end of north Caledonia, as there is very limited parking out front of the Sally Griffin Center.

My suggestion would be to curb the south side of Caledonia Park (funds permitting) and place red markings on the north and south sides of the park at 12 - 15 foot intervals (or whatever industry standard is) to allow for regular vehicle parking. I feel that this would be an ideal solution for all of the neighbors in the vicinity of Caledonia Park.

I truly appreciate your help in resolving this matter and thank you very much for looking into this situation.

Please let me know if you receive this email and pictures okay, as I am sending it via my cell phone. My email address is: ladybuglady123 @comcast.net

Respectfully yours,

Wendy Morrow  
(209-623-7766)

Sent from XFINITY Connect Mobile App

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