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NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

DATE & TIME: July 12, 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 May 10, 2016 and July 12, 2016.

C. Ex-Parte Meetings and Communications

1. Meetings attended during the above time-frame, if applicable.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings

Minutes of the Traffic Safety Commission Meeting of May 10, 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. Commander Lakind met with Forest Grove Principal Buck Roggeman in regards to overnight parking around the schools. This was discussed previously in April. A map of the streets he is asking for this restriction will be provided.

Reference: Commander Lakind. Recommended Action: Discuss and take appropriate action as necessary.

2. Three staff reports regarding previous agenda action items will be presented:

1. Report requested at the May meeting regarding implementation of the red curb painting on Acacia Avenue at Eardley Avenue.

2. Pine Avenue at Congress Avenue, preliminary report and follow up of Commission discussion at the February 2016 meeting regarding an All-Way Stop. Due to their size, copies of these reports are forwarded separately.

3. Pine Avenue, Eardley Avenue to Alder Street- Proposed Capital Improvement Program Budget and summary of Commission discussions 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016. **Reference: Traffic Engineer Silva. Recommended Action: Discuss and take appropriate action as necessary.**

C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. A request to reset the parking limit on Laurel Avenue between Grand and Forest Avenue from 3 hours back to 2 hours was received from the Chamber of Commerce. This follows the recent changes on Lighthouse from 3 hours to 2 hours. A copy of this request is attached. A previous request in April was for unrestricted parking on Laurel due to the addition of 8 apartments at 302 Fountain Avenue in the near future. **Reference: Public Works Director Gho**
Recommended Action: Discuss and Take Appropriate Action as Necessary

2. An email request was received describing the failure of residents and visitors alike to drive in the correct direction on the one-way section of Alder Street between Short Street and Lighthouse Avenue. A copy of the request is

attached. **Reference: Commander Lakind. Recommended Action: Discuss and take appropriate action as necessary.**

3. A request from Councilman Peake, from public comment received from 124 Central Avenue, DiMaggio's Cleaners, Steve and Sue (dennybaek@yahoo.com). They are concerned about vehicles parked on Central Avenue adjacent to their driveway. They state that parked vehicles obstruct the view of drivers exiting their lot onto Central Avenue, which causes an unsafe condition. **Reference: Commander Lakind. Recommended Action: Discuss and take appropriate action as necessary.**

4. A request from Jacob Munoz, the current supervisor at the Pacific Grove Post office, for a 4-way stop sign at the intersection of Congress and Lighthouse Avenue. The letter carriers use this intersection every day and he feels that it is not 100% safe for them and the pedestrians that use this intersection. **Reference: Commander Lakind. Recommended Action: Discuss and take appropriate action as necessary.**

5. Commander Lakind was contacted by one of the officers who investigated an injury accident on Short Street at Alder. He is asking for a review of that intersection as well as the other intersections up to Cypress for stop signs on Short Street to improve safety. **Reference: Commander Lakind. 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

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 AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:00pm

Present: Commissioners Shayne, Prock, Terry, Kubica, Petersen; Councilman Cuneo, Chief Belcher, Traffic Engineer Silva, Director of Public Works Daniel Gho
Absent: Commissioner Tope

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Motion to approve by Commissioner Prock, seconded by Commissioner Terry, unanimous approval

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Written Communications.

B. Oral Communications 1.) Sally Moore advised of a blind spot on Junipero/Fountain- wants plants trimmed; Mr. Gho will check, 2.) Councilman Cuneo advised to be aware that there may be a ballot measure re: 3/8% sales tax increase and that we have 3 candidates running for the PG Mayor's office, 3.) Principal Buck Roggeman brought an update from the last TSC meeting re: the overnight parking issue- he will meet with Mr. Gho to review current ordinance, 4.) Mr. Kovatch attended to discuss Lighthouse/Asilomar intersection: this was discussed again, referred to PGPD as an enforcement issue, and Mr. Gho advised he would review the sign that is there.

4. COMMISSIONER AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Announcements

1. None.

- 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: Comm Petersen passed out the new TAMC Bike maps.
- C. 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 April 12, 2016.
Motion to Approve Minutes by Commissioner Terry, Seconded by Commissioner Prock – approved unanimously.
- B. Approval of Minutes of Other Meetings, etc.
 - 1. None.

6. REGULAR AGENDA:

- A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
 - 1. None.
- B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
 - 1. (Moved from #5 of today's agenda)** At the April 12th 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. **After discussion, Traffic Engineer Silva recommended that this be left to PGPD as an enforcement issue. Commissioner Prock moved that this remain an enforcement issue, Commissioner Terry seconded. Approved unanimously.**
- 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. **After discussion, Commissioner Terry moved that we add this to the list of enforcement review and that we bring this back for review after the 68 Corridor Study is completed. Commissioner Prock seconded. This was passed unanimously.**
 - 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. **This report was received, reviewed, and discussed. Commissioner Prock moved that we table this to see if it is approved as a Capital Improvement project. Commissioner Terry seconded, this passed unanimously and was turned over to Public Works. PG City Council currently scheduled to discuss at meeting on 5/18/16.**

3. Mr. Mark Brodeur, Community Development Director, will present the Lighthouse Avenue Concept Plan to the Commissioners. **Mr. Brodeur advised that he is looking for feedback regarding the Lighthouse Ave Concept Plan. This was discussed and presentation will be coming at next month's TSC meeting.**

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. **Traffic Engineer Silva advised that he would take care of this by the next TSC meeting. Commissioner Prock motioned that we tell TE Silva to move forward and remedy this request. Commissioner Terry seconded. It passed unanimously.**

5. **Moved to Unfinished Business section.**

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: Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted: Commissioner Linda Petersen

George R. Shayne, Chairman

Date: _____
City Staff

ITEM 6.C.2

Dear Pacific Grove Chief of Police,

Our family has lived on Alder St. since 1978. At that time, Alder was a two way street and served as a thoroughfare for private tour buses and large construction trucks. Many families who had young children were concerned about the safety of their kids, so we (parents and kids) made a presentation to the traffic commission with our concerns about traffic safety in our neighborhood. The commission decided to make Alder a one-way street from Short Street to Lighthouse. We were and are extremely thankful for PG's concern about our children and elderly folks that often walked and continue to walk in our neighborhood. Over the years we have had to occasionally remind drivers that it is a one way street from Short to Lighthouse, as some folks feel that they need to save 30-40 seconds out of their busy day, and feel that they do not need to follow the law. Recently a woman was parked in front of our house. I asked her if she need some help and she told me she was "looking for a pet sitter's house on the 400 block of Alder." I told her the 400 block was just past Pine. She then pulled into our driveway and was getting ready to go up Alder to the 400 block. I asked her to "please not go the wrong way up Alder, as it is a One Way street from Short Street to Lighthouse." She continued to back out of our driveway and headed up Alder toward the park. I asked her politely to "please go down the hill on Alder" and let her know that we have a family with three young kids living across the street; have elderly folks often walking, as well as a lot of pets in our neighborhood. I again asked her to please respect the law and turn around and go the correct way down Alder, and it will only take her less than a minute to go up another street and go to her pet sitters house. She started yelling at me to get out of her way, then said, "Get the F... out of my face" she then floored her vehicle and zoomed away. I've never had anyone in PG ever talk that way...must be a very unhappy human being!

Our neighbors feel the same way our family does regarding the safety of our neighborhood and other neighborhoods in PG. We feel that perhaps a "One Way" sign or two (possibly at the corner of Short and Alder and at the corner of Heacock and Alder) would help get folk's attention & respect the law. It seems the majority of people that go up Alder the incorrect way are turning right at Heacock & Alder. Would it be possible to replace the old sign(s) with a new bright yellow "No Right Turn" symbol sign on the Heacock & Alder? We recently noticed the new bright yellow pedestrian crossing sign on the corner of 17 Mile and Short St. which really seems to catch the attention of drivers passing the youth baseball field and cross walk.

Please let us know if this reaches you.

Sincerely,

Bill & Vickie Grant

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ITEM 6.C.3

Traffic Safety Commissioners,

Public comment received from 124 Central Ave. Di Maggio's Cleaners, Steve and Sue

(dennybaek@yahoo.com). They are concerned about vehicles parked on Central Ave. adjacent to their driveway. They state that the parked vehicles obstruct the view of drivers exiting their lot onto Central Ave. which causes an unsafe condition.

For your consideration.

Thank you and regards, Bill Peake

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 is 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).

Rate each project on priority/importance: 1 = top priority for pedestrian safety, 10 = lowest priority for pedestrian s

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 recs
Fountain @ Lighthouse Avenue – bulbouts, crosswalk and pavement treatments
David Avenue – SaveMart driveway westerly to end – Sidewalks
Central Avenue @ Grand Avenue -- bulbouts, other recs
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