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Minutes of the December 13, 2016 Regular Meeting

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

DATE & TIME: December 13, 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. In attendance were Commissioners Shayne, Kubica, Terry, Prock, and Petersen. Also present: Public Works Director Daniel Gho, Traffic Engineer Silva, Commander Lakind, and Jim Colbert.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Commissioner Prock moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Petersen, and passed unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Written Communications: None.

B. Oral Communications: Mr. Gho advised that since Measure X passed, \$360,000 will be directed to PG for the next 30 years. The first payment is targeted for the end of 2017.

4. COMMISSIONER AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Announcements

1. Minutes for this meeting are prepared by Commissioner Petersen, the Commission Secretary.

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

1. Reports from any relevant meetings that occurred between September 13, 2016 and December 13, 2016: Mr. Gho advised that TAMC has provided 6 bike racks to Pacific Grove which will be installed at Lovers Point.

C. Ex-Parte Meetings and Communications

I. Meetings attended during this timeframe- none.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings

Minutes of the Traffic Safety Commission Meeting of September 13, 2016.

Minutes were prepared by: Commissioner Petersen.

Minutes moved to be approved by Commissioner Prock and seconded by Commissioner Kubica, and passed unanimously.

B. Approval of Minutes of Other Meetings, etc.

I. None.

6. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

I. None.

B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

I. None.

C. NEW BUSINESS:

I. A request for a handicap parking spot in front of the Beach House Restaurant, located at 620 Ocean View Boulevard was received via the city website. The text of the request is as follows: "With the advent of an exterior elevator, the Beach House is a go-to destination for me and my elder friend, Dorothy (99). However, parking in front of, or close to the Beach House, is problematic. Dorothy uses a walker and getting her out of the car is time consuming. When every spot is full, the only solution is to park (temporarily) in the red zone near a curb cut. The convenience of a handicap parking spot would not be unique to me. Every restaurant patron with a disabled friend or family member would benefit." **Reference: Commander Lakind. Recommended Action: In 2014, the TSC approved making this a 'Loading/Unloading' spot. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Petersen to leave this as is. It was seconded by Commissioner Prock, and passed unanimously.**

2. A verbal request was received regarding a stop sign on Eardley at Pine Avenue. A staff report is attached regarding the intersection of Eardley Avenue and Spruce Avenue. Copies of additional information, collision diagrams and traffic volume summaries will be printed and available at the meeting as well. **Reference: Traffic Engineer Silva, Commander Lakind. Recommended Action: Traffic Engineer Silva monitored the data for this intersection. He found that the traffic volume on the major street is less than the required minimum to warrant an All-Way Stop, therefore an All-Way Stop is not warranted. Commissioner Terry moved to deny this request, it was seconded by Commissioner Kubica, and passed unanimously. It was also noted that any changes to Pine Avenue are lumped into the Pine Safety Project scheduled for next year.**

3. Commander Lakind was contacted by one of the officers who investigated an injury accident on Short Street at Alder. The officer 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. Report of action taken regarding the resident request for improved signing and pavement markings. **Reference: Commander Lakind, Traffic Engineer Silva. Recommended Action: Per recommendation from Traffic Engineer Silva, the data does not support a stop sign and therefore is not recommended at this intersection.** Commissioner Petersen moved that we accept the report from Mr. Silva and do not put a stop sign here. This was seconded by Commissioner Terry and passed unanimously.

4. School Zone signing - Results of preliminary review of school zone signing. **Reference: Traffic Engineer Silva. Recommended Action: Traffic Engineer Silva advised that the first step to responding to this, is to complete the inventory that he is currently doing at all the schools- public and private. He stated that this is a very large assignment and signs are a major expense. He asked that we defer this to the February meeting. All commissioners agreed to move this for discussion to the February TSC meeting.**

5. A request was received via the city website regarding speeding on Ocean View Boulevard. The text is as follows: "My wife and I live in Pacific Grove on Mermaid Avenue near Lover's Point. We often run and bike along Ocean View, taking the route out past Asilomar Beach, onto 17-mile Drive, and back. Lately we are seeing an alarming number of speeding motorists who come dangerously close to pedestrians and cyclists as they drive down Ocean View. Often, drivers are taking pictures of the ocean while driving, or veering into the bike lane while looking at the scenery. Resident drivers often get complacent and speed down Ocean View within feet of us at speeds that seem to be 40-50 mph (in a 25 mph zone). I would like to discuss this subject at your next meeting if you'll allow me to attend. I understand the PG police department is limited in manpower and resources, but I think with some work we can help curb the speeding along Ocean View and make it a safe environment for pedestrians, joggers, cyclists, and motorists." **Reference: Traffic Engineer Silva. Recommended Action: The citizen who sent this request was not present to discuss. Traffic Engineer Silva completed a speed survey on Ocean View and Commander Lakind has been monitoring this each day. They have found that the speed limits are being observed. Commissioner Prock suggested that enforcement continue as appropriate – all agreed.**

D. REPORTS FROM SUB-COMMITTEES:

1. Monthly status reports (as available)
Traffic Safety Commission 2016 Work Plan and Priority List

7. ADJOURNMENT at 5:20pm

Respectfully Submitted: Commissioner Linda Petersen

Approved by Commission: George R. Shayne
George R. Shayne, Chairman

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City Staff

Date: 2/14/2017