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NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

DATE & TIME: April 10, 2018: 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Council Chamber – City Hall – 300 Forest 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, the Traffic Safety Commission Secretary.

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

1. Reports from any relevant meetings that occurred between March 13 and April 5, 2018

C. Ex-Parte Meetings and Communications

1. Discussion of meetings attended during this timeframe, if applicable.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings

Minutes of the Traffic Safety Commission Meeting of March 13, 2018.

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. Written communications from Mr. Davies Post March 13 meeting on buses on 9th street at the "Butterfly house". He said there are still four busses in front of his home. (attached): **Discuss and take appropriate action as necessary**

2. Presentation On . Median Street Scape Presentation by Mr. Brodeur.
Recommended Action: Receive report , discuss and take appropriate action as necessary

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

1. Monthly status reports (as available)
None

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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Minutes of the March 13, 2018 Regular Meeting

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Recordings of the meetings are available upon request.

DATE & TIME: March 13, 2018: 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Council Chamber – City Hall – 300 Forest Avenue

MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER:The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Chair Andrew Kubica. In attendance were Commissioners Kubica, Terry, Kim, Petersen, Munoz-Flores and Nodzenski. Also in attendance were Chief Christey, Commander Lakind, and Public Works Director Daniel Gho,

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Unanimous approval.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Written Communications: None.

B. Oral Communications: None.

(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, the Traffic Safety Commission Secretary.

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

1. Reports from any relevant meetings that occurred between February 13, 2018 and March 8, 2018: None

C. Ex-Parte Meetings and Communications

1. Discussion of meetings attended during this timeframe, if applicable: Commissioner Kim attended the TAMC:Bike and Pedestrian Committee Meeting on March 7, 2018. Attachment of notes to follow.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes of February 13, 2018: Unanimous approval

B. Approval of Minutes of Other Meetings, etc.: None

6. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. None.

B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Oral communication was received from Colonel Chakwin on his concerns for the intersection of Cedar Street/Congress including Sunset. He said that pedestrians crisscross the road, there are a lot of speeders, and lots of children. Mr. Gho said that he will check for proper signage and advise at the next meeting. **Action: Mr. Gho advised that Cedar Street signage is normal, however there is a capital project that has allocated \$30,000 to review and update all school signage. He will review with Traffic Engineer Silva and advise at the May meeting.**

2. Oral communications from Mr. Davies at February 13 meeting to report on the status of the tour bus issue in front of the Butterfly House. He said there are still tour busses in front of his home, that there was even a tour bus there on New Year's Day. The tours have continued each day. Mr. Davies said that the Segue-Way Tours and the Tours Of Pacific Grove have the Butterfly House noted as a tourist stop on their advertising information. Chief Christey advised that she will look into Commercial Code Enforcement and advise. **Action: Commander Lakind advised this was reviewed and there were no specific traffic patterns. PGPD should be contacted if traffic is obstructed. Issue closed.**

C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. There has been a request to move the Traffic Commission meetings from the Pacific Grove Police Conference Room to the Pacific Grove City council Chambers and change time to 3 PM on a permanent basis . **Action: Unanimous approval to move the TSC meetings to the Council Chambers; time will remain at 4:00pm every second Tuesday of the month.**

2. Email from Debby Beck requesting cost estimate information of safety/light crosswalks at Robert H Down crosswalks on Pine Ave. **Action: Mr. Gho contacted Debby Beck and advised that this is part of the Pine Avenue project for fiscal year 2018/2019. He will keep her posted on the status of this project.**

3. Written communication was received from Nancy Kim and Nancy Iverson , Pacific Grove residents, at the last meeting to review crossing at Briggs and Jewell. **Action: Mr. Gho advised that the tree trimming has been completed, improvements have been made, this is a closed item.**

4. Discuss Traffic Commission priority list, cost of items, and schedule of items. **Action: Mr. Gho advised on each item- noted on list below.**

D. REPORTS FROM SUB-COMMITTEES:

1. Monthly status reports (as available)
 - a. a. Traffic Safety Commission 2018 Work Plan and Priority
List: additions, corrections, comments as needed.

7. ADJOURNMENT at 4:50pm

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Item 6C

To: Pacific Grove, Traffic Safety Commission
From: George Davies (310 9th Street, Pacific Grove)
Re: Traffic Safety on 9th Street

This is a follow up to my previous visits to the Traffic Safety Commission. During the Traffic Safety Commission Meeting on February 13th I was advised by the Commission that this 9th street traffic concern seems to be an Enforcement issue. I was then instructed by Chief Christey to notify the Police Department when there were Tour buses on 9th Street. I was further instructed to use the Department's "non-emergency number" for these complaints.

On Sunday March 4th at approximately 4:01 pm I noticed a Pacific Monarch tour bus parked in the middle of 9th street. You can see the bus identification number in the following picture.



The following picture provides the Tour bus license plate identification.



As you can clearly see in the following photo the driver has placed the tour bus in “park” and left his seat to allow passengers to disembark and take pictures.



I called the Department's non-emergency number to report this incident. A short time later I received a call from Traffic Enforcement asking if the bus was still present, I reported that the bus had in fact left a short time ago. The Traffic Enforcement Officer instructed me to call back if this happened again and they would try to arrive in a timely manner. I understand that it will be very unlikely that a Traffic Enforcement Office will be able to arrive in time to ticket a bus illegally parked on 9th street.

On Thursday March 8th I called the Pacific Monarch tour company and spoke with the Dispatch Supervisor, who I've spoken to in the past. He reiterated the fact that it is not currently illegal to drive a tour bus on 9th street. He stated that if signs were posted on 9th prohibiting tour buses, his drivers would adhere to the signs and avoid 9th street. The drivers would instead likely park on Pine to allow the passengers to disembark and walk down 9th street for photographs.

I would like to propose a sign similar to the following, however I would like the

sign to state; “NO BUSES OR TOURS”.

I would like this sign posted at 9th and Pine, 9th and Laurel, as well as 9th and Lighthouse. Additionally I would offer to pay for purchase and installation of these signs.



Alternatively the Traffic Safety Commission could recommend the City of Pacific Grove adopt a Traffic Ordinance similar to what currently exists in the City of Carmel’s Municipal Code Section 10.48. This language clearly identifies the streets where Tour Buses are allowed to transit in and out of the City. Adopting this type of language would benefit the whole City by allowing tour buses on the streets only where it is specifically necessary and restricting tour buses from residential neighborhoods.

As I previously stated my wife & I have lived here for 8 years now. In those 8 years, we have seen the level of traffic in front of our home increase exponentially. This level of traffic, and the behavior of the drivers of these vehicles as well as their occupants is a safety hazard which must be addressed. In closing, I am asking the City to install signs at each end of 9th street prohibiting buses and Tours (which I am willing to pay for). I would also like the City to implement a specified “Tour Bus Route” prohibiting Tour Buses from transiting

Residential neighborhoods, similar to the City of Carmel's Municipal Code Section 10.48, which has been in place for years.

Thank you.

George A. Davies IV

310 9th Street

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