



**CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE**  
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## Minutes of June 25, 2019 Regular Meeting

### **TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION**

DATE & TIME: June 25, 2019: 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Council Chamber – City Hall – 300 Forest Avenue

#### **MEETING AGENDA**

1. **CALL TO ORDER 4:00pm.** In attendance were Commissioners Kubica, Prock, Nodzinski, Munoz-Flores, Petersen, and Kim. Absent was Commissioner Terry. Also in attendance was Jocelyn Francis: PGPD Administration Director, Mr. Daniel Gho: Public Works Director, Councilman Joe Amelio, Rudy Fisher, Inge Lorentzen, Mr. and Mrs. Cassam.

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** – Unanimous approval.

#### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

A. Written Communications: Emails received:

1.)**Action: This work has been completed.**

Steven Rodewald via City of Pacific Grove Website <website@cityofpacificgrove.org>

Wed 6/5/2019 2:31 PM

Name: Steven Rodewald

Email: pagrovian@hotmail.com

Message:

Hi, I would like to bring to someone's attention a safety concern regarding the separate right hand turn lane at David and Congress. I use the cross-walk at this intersection almost daily. Ninety percent of the time I have almost be hit in the cross-walk and also have had to jump to my safety.

I've noticed a majority of the drivers don't stop at the stop sign which is the first problem. Secondly, drivers are looking to the left at the main intersection and don't see pedestrians entering into the cross-walk. The stop-sign is also obscured by the vegetation on the side of the road. Can someone please look into this safety issue? I would also like to point out this area is heavily used by school children. Attached is some photos of the intersection I am talking about. Thank-you for your time.

Regards,

Steven Rodewald

831-238-5394

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Attached File:

<https://www.cityofpacificgrove.org/sites/default/files/webform/traffic-safety-commission/David%20an%20Congress%20Intersection.docx>

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Submitted on Wednesday, June 5, 2019 - 2:31pm

**2.) Action: Noted for discussion in the next fiscal year budget.**

Shannon Strom via City of Pacific Grove Website <website@cityofpacificgrove.org>

Tue 6/11/2019 11:30 PM

Name: Shannon Strom

Email: shannonstrom@gmail.com

Message:

Adding a 4-way stop sign with crosswalks would greatly improve the safety of crossing Eardley at Pine. There is a school on Pine as well as the middle school nearby. Kids crossing the street to go to and from school are hard to see especially with the many elderly drivers in our town. I have witnessed deer get hit here as well, on more than one occasion, and it is very difficult to watch when blind people are attempting to cross (I recently witnessed a blind person who was very nearly struck while crossing during sundown, as the sun can be quite blinding for cars traveling up the hill). There is a bus stop right at David and Pine and some blind people can be seen traveling this route - presumably to go to the local blind organization/school, although I don't know for certain. Also, cars along here speed down the hill and there are no traffic officers patrolling the area, at least none that I've ever seen. Please take this into consideration in your efforts to keep our roads safe for everyone, including our most vulnerable pedestrians.

Thank you.

Attached File:

Submitted on Tuesday, June 11, 2019 - 11:29 pm

**3.) Action: No issues have been noted at this intersection. Traffic enforcement issue.**

Diane Howell via City of Pacific Grove Website <website@cityofpacificgrove.org>

Sun 6/23/2019 8:49 AM

Name: Diane Howell

Email: artemy2001@yahoo.com

Message:

Thanks for letting me know what the speed limits are on the streets bordering Caledonia Park, specifically Pacific and Caledonia. How is it that 25 mph is permitted in this area that is bordered by a small children's park and a senior center? Downtown P.G. is 15 mph (which is mostly exceeded, rarely enforced). Furthermore, the un-resolved intersection of Caledonia, Pacific, Jewel is one of the most dangerous in the city, drivers confused as to the options and cyclists blowing the stop sign on a regular basis. Also, at the apex of Caledonia Park (across from the Sally Griffin center), when there are SUVs parked there, there is zero visibility for vehicles making a left turn (only two options, left or right), onto Pacific from Caledonia.

Attached File:

Submitted on Sunday, June 23, 2019 - 8:49 am

**B. Oral Communications**

1.) Mr. and Mrs. Cassam returned for information regarding cars blocking their driveway at 182 Central Ave. As Mr. Silva was not in attendance to advise on the field evaluation, this issue will be moved to next month's agenda.

**4. COMMISSIONER AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. Announcements**

1. Minutes for this meeting are scheduled to be prepared by Linda 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 May 28, 2019 and June 20, 2019: NONE

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings**

Minutes of the Traffic Safety Commission Meeting of June 25, 2019.

**Action:** Unanimous approval with amendment to #5 of Project List to remove dollar amount.

**6. REGULAR AGENDA:**

**A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

1. None.

**B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Status on License Plate reader vendor

**Presentation: Jocelyn Francis, PGPD**

**Action: Information received: all equipment has been removed and returned to the vendor. PGPD received a refund of \$10,000 which will be put back in to its general fund. She will bring a schedule for this project to the next meeting.**

**Public Comment by Inge Lorentzen-Domer who voiced a concern regarding the privacy and vetting of the new vendor- when the next system is considered next year.**

2. Pine Ave Bid Update

**Received Presentation by Dan Gho, Public Works (attached)**

3. Status of Parking permits on 10<sup>th</sup> and Doc Ricketts Row

**Presentation: Dan Gho, Public Works**

**Action: City Council has approved, the signs have been ordered, the residents have paid for the signs, and installation is forthcoming.**

4. Congress Ave Paving Project Status and schedule

**Received Presentation by Dan Gho, Public Works (attached)**

**C. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. None

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

1. Monthly status reports (as available)

None

**7. ADJOURNMENT: 4:51pm**

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**Respectfully Submitted: Commissioner Linda Petersen**

 Approved by Commission  \_\_\_\_\_  
**Andrew Kubica, Chairman**

 Date: July 23, 2019  
**City Staff**