



**CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS
TRAFFIC COMMISSION
ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
JANUARY 27, 2016
7:00 PM**

Michael Caputo - Chair

**Steven Beeuwsaert - Vice Chair
Greg Staar – Commissioner**

**Mark Jones - Commissioner
Larry Woodruff - Commissioner**

Location: City Council Chamber, 24035 El Toro Road, Laguna Hills, California 92653

Any person wishing to address the Traffic Commission on any matter, whether or not it appears on this Agenda, is asked to complete a "Request to Speak" form available on the table at the back of the Chamber. The completed form is to be submitted to the Recording Secretary prior to an individual being heard by the Traffic Commission.

Members of the public wishing to address the Traffic Commission can do so during the Public Comments portion of the Agenda with a time limitation of three minutes per person, an overall time limit of ten minutes for any one subject, and a total time limit of thirty minutes for Public Comments. If you are commenting on an Agenda item, your comments will be heard at the time that item is scheduled on the Agenda. If you are addressing the Commission on an item not listed on the Agenda, the Traffic Commission is prohibited by law from discussing or taking any action on that item.

CALL TO ORDER

Resolution No. 96-04-09-1 established rules of decorum for public meetings held by the City of Laguna Hills. Resolution No. 96-04-09-1 is available on the table at the back of the City Council Chamber.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

RECOMMENDATION: THAT THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION ELECT A NEW CHAIR.

2. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

RECOMMENDATION: THAT THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION ELECT A NEW VICE CHAIR.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is the time to address the Traffic Commission on any matter not listed on this Agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Public Comments are limited to three minutes per person, an overall time limit of ten minutes for any one subject, and a total time limit of thirty minutes.

4. MINUTES**5. PRESENTATIONS****6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

6.1 BECKENHAM STREET PARKING REGULATIONS

7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

7.1 2016 TRAFFIC COMMISSION SCHEDULE

7.2 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION

7.3 RADAR SPEED TRAILER

8. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The next Regular Meeting of the Traffic Commission, scheduled for March 16, 2016, will be re-scheduled to March 23, 2016, at 7:00 PM, in the City Council Chamber, located at 24035 El Toro Road, Laguna Hills, California.

CERTIFICATION

I, KENNETH H. ROSENFELD, Director of Public Services/City Engineer of the City of Laguna Hills, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Agenda was posted at Laguna Hills City Hall, Laguna Hills Community Center, and the Courtyard at La Paz Center by January 18, 2016, at 5:00 PM.

KENNETH H. ROSENFELD
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICES
CITY ENGINEER

January 18, 2016

DATE

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CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Traffic Commission of the City of Laguna Hills, California, was called to order by Chair Mike Caputo at 7:00 PM in the Laguna Hills City Council Chamber, 24035 El Toro Road, Laguna Hills, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Caputo.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Present: Chair Mike Caputo, Vice Chair Steven Beeuwsaert, Commissioner Mark Jones, Commissioner Greg Staar and Commissioner Larry Woodruff

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments.

2. MINUTES

**THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION APPROVED THE MINUTES OF THE
SEPTEMBER 16, 2015, REGULAR MEETING, BY M/COMMISSIONER
WOODRUFF, S/COMMISSIONER STAAR.
APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 5-0**

3. PRESENTATIONS

There were no Presentations.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

**4.1 ANALYSIS OF PARKING CONTROL SURVEY FOR PERMIT PARKING
IN THE RIDGEFIELD COMMUNITY NEIGHBORHOD**

Associate Civil Engineer, Humza Javed, indicated that at the October 27, 2015 City Council meeting, two residents of the Ridgefield Community addressed the City Council regarding their concerns about out-of-neighborhood parking in their community. Mr. Javed stated this issue was previously discussed at the July 15, 2015, and the September 16, 2015, Traffic Commission meetings. Two separate parking surveys previously sent out to the neighborhood did not account for

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adequate support for a parking control. Mr. Javed indicated the City Council directed staff to further analyze the survey results and prepare a geographic break down of the results. The geographic results indicated 100% of the residents on Los Cerros Drive returned their surveys and were 100% in favor of some type of parking control. On La Cienega Street, 70% of the residents returned their surveys, with only 52% in favor of some type of parking control. On Rio Grande Avenue, 72% of the residents returned their surveys, and only 54% were in favor of some type of parking control. Mr. Javed stated if Rio Grande Avenue were to be omitted from the "impact zone," the number of residents on the streets of Los Cerros Drive and La Cienega Street would total 40. The number of residents who support a parking control on these two streets through prior surveys are 24 (60 percent). The breakdown of the survey did not alter the results of the previous surveys analysis, which concluded insufficient support for a permit parking control in the Ridgefield neighborhood in accordance with City Code, which requires a 67% support vote. Mr. Javed said that it is recommended that the Traffic Commission receive and file this report.

**THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION RECEIVED AND FILED THE REPORT, BY
M/COMMISSIONER WOODRUFF, S/COMMISSIONER STAAR.
APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 5-0**

**4.2 STOP SIGN ANALYSIS AT THE INTERSECTION OF SORESINA AT
TERAMO**

Associate Civil Engineer, Humza Javed, indicated staff had been contacted by a resident to evaluate the need for a stop control at the intersection of Soresina at Teramo. The resident was concerned about potential conflicts collisions at this T-intersection and the assignment of right-of-way. The City's Traffic Engineering Consulting Firm, Hartzog & Crabill, Inc., performed a stop sign analysis at this intersection. The accident history, traffic speeds, traffic volumes, and visibility at the intersection were all reviewed. None of the criteria for a multi-way stop or a one-way stop sign installation were satisfied. Mr. Javed indicated that it is recommended that the Traffic Commission receive and file this report.

**THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION RECEIVED AND FILED THE REPORT, BY
M/VICE CHAIR BEEUWSAERT, S/COMMISSIONER STAAR.
APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 5-0**

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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5.1 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION

Sergeant Prince gave a verbal report updating the Traffic Commission on traffic issues in the City.

5.2 RADAR SPEED TRAILER

Staff submitted the schedule for the radar trailer.

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Vice Chair Beeuwaset, stated on behalf of the current and former Traffic Commissioners, a thank you to Associate Civil Engineer, Humza Javed, for all his work, dedication and leadership on the Traffic Commission, from May of 2010 until the present. He congratulated Mr. Javed on his promotion and new job opportunity.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Traffic Commission at this session, Chair Caputo declared the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m. The next Regular Meeting of the Traffic Commission, scheduled for January 20, 2016, will be re-scheduled to January 27, 2016, at 7:00 PM, in the City Council Chamber, located at 24035 El Toro Road, Laguna Hills, California.

Prepared by:

Humza Javed, P.E.
Associate Engineer

Approved By:

MICHAEL CAPUTO, CHAIR



City of Laguna Hills Traffic Commission Staff Report

DATE: 1/27/16

TO: TRAFFIC COMMISSIONERS

FROM: KENNETH H. ROSENFELD, P.E.
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICES/CITY ENGINEER

ISSUE: BECKENHAM STREET PARKING REGULATIONS

RECOMMENDATION: THAT THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION RECEIVE AND FILE THIS REPORT.

SUMMARY:

Over the course of the past 18 months, staff has responded to resident concerns regarding an increase in overnight parking activity on Beckenham Street. The Traffic Commission has subsequently reviewed the existing parking regulations, the results of multiple night surveys of vehicle parking and considered several parking control options to address the residents concerns. Most recently, in late fall 2015, the City Council discussed the potential creation of a Permit Parking Zone on Beckenham Street with Permits being made available only to residents of the Acacia Knolls community and the Sunset Place community to address this issue. However, after public comments on this proposal, the City Council requested an alternate approach and staff proposed the addition of a no overnight parking zone on the southerly side of Beckenham Street across the frontage of Acacia Knolls. This regulation was implemented as of November 30, 2015. Staff is presenting to the Traffic Commission the results of before and after studies of the parking impact of this regulation. As described herein, the new parking regulation on Beckenham street did not have a significant impact on night parking usage on the nearby streets of Sunset Place West, Sunset Place East, Costeau Street or Camberwell Street. Staff recommends that no further parking control options need be considered at this time and the Traffic Commission Receive and File this report.

BACKGROUND:

Beckenham Street is a two-way collector street with a 30 mph speed limit. It serves to provide access to commercial/medical offices on the north side of the street, to Beckenham Park, to Sunset Place (public street) leading to a non-fronting single family residential neighborhood, and to Acacia Lane (private street) leading to a gated non-

fronting single family residential neighborhood. Beckenham Street terminates at a fire gate barrier at the intersection with Wilkes Place. There are selective No Parking Zones on Beckenham Street associated with sight-distance restrictions and lane access. Today's agenda item has been noticed to all residents of Acacia Knolls and Sunset Place as well as the management of the Alicia Plaza and Alicia Village apartments located at the intersection of Paseo de Valencia and Stockport Street.

Beginning in 2014, a resident of the gated community known as Acacia Knolls, accessed via Beckenham Street, made regular contact with staff and Police Services about night disturbances due to the parking of vehicles on Beckenham Street behind the rear yards of the Acacia Knolls homeowners. This contact resulted in staff initiating a review of the parking controls on Beckenham Street, performing night counts of vehicle parking and the consideration of a variety of parking controls. This matter was first presented to the Traffic Commission on November 19, 2014, with a staff recommendation to take no action as the parking on Beckenham Street was done at legally allowed locations without parking supply impact to any fronting homes or businesses.

In 2015, the resident again requested City assistance with the expressed parking concern and staff again initiated parking studies along Beckenham Street. In a report to the Traffic Commission on September 16, 2015, staff noted there are approximately 30 vehicles parked on Beckenham Street each night and that some of this parking was likely from out of neighborhood community residents. Noting that Beckenham Street is a public street which provides a parking supply for any person, regardless of their domicile location, staff again recommended no action be taken but did provide the Traffic Commission with a menu of parking control options. These options included time limited parking controls such as two-hour parking, no overnight parking from 2:00 am to 6:00 am, no overnight parking from 10:00 pm to 6:00 am and no parking anytime. The Traffic Commission recommended to the City Council the establishment of a Permit Parking Zone for Beckenham Street for use by residents of both the Acacia Knolls neighborhood and the Sunset Place neighborhood.

The City Council addressed the proposed Beckenham Street Permit Parking Zone at the meeting of October 27, 2015, during which residents, primarily from Sunset Place, expressed concerns about the potential adverse impacts of the proposed Permit Parking. The expressed concern is summarized as out of neighborhood night parking vehicles could move into Sunset Place and consume that neighborhood's limited parking supply. In consideration of these concerns, the City Council directed staff to develop an alternative parking control option such as a no overnight parking control only across the frontage of Acacia Knolls to determine if that action would resolve the night parking noise disturbance complaints emanating from this location. The City Council also encouraged the Sunset Place neighborhood to consider the benefits of Permit Parking and advise their interest in this parking option. And, the City Council requested staff review the potential use of expanded Permit Parking on Laguna Hills Drive to address the potential need for additional parking supply in the area.

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The City Council, at the meeting of November 10, 2015, approved a Resolution to establish a No Parking Zone from 10:00 pm to 6:00 am on the south side of Beckenham Street from 165 feet east of Acacia Lane to 405 feet easterly thereof. Please see the attached vicinity map. This parking restriction removed approximately 10 parking spaces from the parking supply along Beckenham Street. The City Council requested that the parking issue subsequently be reviewed to determine if any further action was warranted. The No Parking Zone was implemented on November 30, 2015.

Staff initiated a before and after parking usage night survey on Beckenham Street for three nights before the implementation of the new No Parking Zone described above and for three nights after implementation of the new No Parking Zone. Parking usage was monitored on all nearby streets including Beckenham Street, Sunset Place West, Sunset Place East, Costeau Street and Camberwell Street. The actual parking counts, as measured by street and directional side of each street, are shown on the attachment. Staff has averaged the three-day parking counts as follows:

<u>Street Location</u>	<u>Average Parking Before</u>	<u>Average Parking After</u>
Beckenham Street North	26	36
Beckenham Street South	19	17
Sunset Place East (combined)	10	13
Sunset Place West (combined)	8	9
Costeau Street (combined)	5	7
Camberwell Street (combined)	0	0

Both the Before/After night parking usage surveys reveal there is more general vehicle parking occurring on Beckenham Street, in comparison to counts taken in summer 2015. Parking is more concentrated on the north side of the street, opposite the side of the residential neighborhoods. The newly placed No Parking Zone on Beckenham Street has apparently not pushed vehicle parking onto other residential streets. There has been no significant additional parking usage on these nearby residential streets. Vehicle parking in the area continues to occur in a legal manner and has not consumed the available parking supply. Unless new information or concerns are expressed about the newly established No Parking Zone, staff recommends no further action be taken.

Parking on the City's arterial highways is generally prohibited for traffic flow and operational purposes. There are a few exceptions to this arterial parking restriction and one exception is the Permit Parking Zone on a portion of the north side of Laguna Hills Drive westerly of Paseo de Valencia that exists for the sole benefit of the medical office uses at that corner. Please see the attached vicinity map. It is not proposed that that Permit Parking Zone be modified. Open parking is not permitted on the north side of Laguna Hills Drive to avoid its daily use by students of Laguna Hills High School and the resultant potential undesirable mid-block student-pedestrian crossing of this arterial highway. Day time parking only is allowed on the south side of Laguna Hills Drive to accommodate student parking needs. There is no overnight parking on Laguna Hills Drive

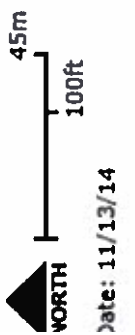
in the area easterly of Paseo de Valencia. While nightly parking on the north side of Laguna Hills Drive, beyond the existing Permit Parking Zone could be allowed, beginning 1000' westerly of Paseo de Valencia, it may not be necessary and it may be too distant to be effective to pull parking off of Beckenham Street. In the alternative, the Permit Parking Zone could be expanded or modified in favor of "first come first served" utilization of the potential parking supply with permits offered to City residents, but this alternative raises other access issues, particularly for the medical office building. No action on this parking supply option is proposed at this time.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Beckenham Vicinity Map
- Beckenham Parking Study
- Laguna Hills Drive Vicinity Map

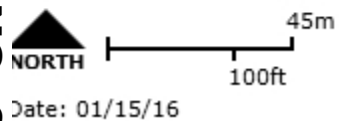


VICINITY MAP



**CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS
PARKING STUDY**

		PHASE 1						PHASE 2					
	STREET / LOCATION	11-16-15 MON		11-18-15 WED		11-20-15 FRI		12-07-15 MON		12-09-15 WED		12-11-15 FRI	
1	BECKENHAM ST Paseo de Valenica to Wilkes Pl	N	S	N	S	N	S	N	S	N	S	N	S
		28	18	22	19	27	20	33	18	39	17	35	16
2A	SUNSET PLACE East Loop	W	E	W	E	W	E	W	E	W	E	W	E
		4	6	3	8	6	3	4	8	6	9	5	7
2B	SUNSET PLACE West Loop	W	E	W	E	W	E	W	E	W	E	W	E
		4	5	5	2	4	5	5	2	7	6	6	2
3	COSTEAU STREET Beckenham to Woolwich	N	S	N	S	N	S	N	S	N	S	N	S
		3	2	2	2	2	4	3	5	2	2	4	5
4	CAMBERWELL STREET Costeau to Luton St	W	E	W	E	W	E	W	E	W	E	W	E
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



LAGUNA HILLS DRIVE PERMIT PARKING ZONE
1000' W/O PASEO DE VALENCIA



CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS



MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 27, 2016

TO: Traffic Commission

FROM: Kenneth H. Rosenfield, Director of Public Services

SUBJECT: 2016 Traffic Commission Schedule

The Traffic Commission is scheduled to meet on the third Wednesday of every other month, starting in January, unless there is a scheduling conflict. The 2016 Traffic Commission schedule is listed below:

January 27, 2016* (4th Wednesday)

March 23, 2016* (4th Wednesday)

May 18, 2016

July 20, 2016

September 21, 2016

November 16, 2016

*Date changed due to staff schedule conflict.

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JANUARY 2016

RADAR TRAILER SCHEDULE (RAINY DAYS EXCLUDED)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 HOLIDAY	2
3	4	5 Woodbluff W/O Middleridge 25 MPH	6 Lost Colt E/O Beargrass 25 MPH	7 Nellie Gail S/O Rockinghorse 25 MPH	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 Rapid Falls W/O Sundowner 25 MPH	20 Woodbluff W/O Middleridge 25 MPH	21 Nellie Gail E/O Empty Saddle 25 MPH	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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FEBRUARY 2016

RADAR TRAILER SCHEDULE (RAINY DAYS EXCLUDED)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Nellie Gail E/O Empty Saddle 25 MPH	3 Woodbluff S/O Middleridge 25 MPH	4 Lost Colt W/B Mid-block 25 MPH	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 HOLIDAY	16 Nellie Gail W/O Empty Saddle 25 MPH	17 Rapid Falls W/O Sundowner 25 MPH	18 Lost Colt W/B Mid-Block 25 MPH	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29					

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MARCH 2016

RADAR TRAILER SCHEDULE (RAINY DAYS EXCLUDED)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Glen Canyon W/B Mid-Block 25 MPH	9 Bridlewood S/O Laurel Crest 25 MPH	10 Alameda W/O El Prado 25 MPH	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 Nellie Gail E/O Empty Saddle 25 MPH	23 Rapid Falls W/O Sundowner 25 MPH	24 Woodbluff W/O Middleridge 25 MPH	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

