

**CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS
TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Wednesday, January 19, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Lukes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Vice Chair Bieber

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Anna Lisa Lukes	Chair	Present	
Chris Bieber	Vice Chair	Present	
Susan Caskey	Commissioner	Present	
Manuel Hernandez	Commissioner	Present	
Mark Schaff	Commissioner	Present	

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments on non-agendized items.

2. MINUTES

2.1 Approval of Minutes

Recommendation: That the Traffic Commission approve the Minutes for the September 15, 2021, Traffic Commission Meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Chris Bieber, Vice Chair
SECONDER:	Manuel Hernandez, Commissioner
AYES:	Anna Lisa Lukes, Chair; Chris Bieber, Vice Chair; Susan Caskey, Commissioner; Manuel Hernandez, Commissioner; Mark Schaff, Commissioner

3. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Chair Lukes received consensus to take Item No. 4.2 out of order on the Agenda.

4.2 Development of a Citywide Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

Assistant City Engineer Shah provided introductory comments on the item.

Starla Barker, AICP, Principal Planner, De Novo Planning Group, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Commissioner requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the Traffic Commission discuss the development of the City's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and provide input on any hazards of concern in the community to be evaluated and mitigated.

Commissioners provided input on hazard concerns in the community to be evaluated and mitigated.

4.1 Nellie Gail Road Equestrian Crossing Update of Improvements and Consideration of a Raised Intersection

Assistant City Engineer Shah reviewed the information provided in the staff report and responded to Commissioner requests for additional information.

The following individual addressed the Traffic Commission on this item:

Ed Leard, a resident of Laguna Hills, spoke in favor of the item, indicated his belief in obtaining the necessary community support of 67%, expressed gratitude for attention to this issue, and suggested additional signage.

Administrative Sergeant Steinle responded to Commissioner requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the Traffic Commission review the status of improvements made and pending at the Nellie Gail Road Equestrian Crossing at the Nellie Gail Ranch Owners Association Equestrian Center Driveway and discuss the merits of a Raised Intersection or Split Raised Intersection at this location.

A motion to move forward Design Concept 2 – Split Raised Intersection to the city Council for their consideration was made by Commissioner Caskey, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Susan Caskey, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Manuel Hernandez, Commissioner
AYES:	Anna Lisa Lukes, Chair; Chris Bieber, Vice Chair; Susan Caskey, Commissioner; Manuel Hernandez, Commissioner; Mark Schaff, Commissioner

4.3 Residential Parking Permit Program on Streets in the Lomas Laguna Residential Neighborhood South of Alicia Parkway

Assistant City Engineer Shah reviewed the information provided in the staff report and responded to Commissioner requests for additional information.

The following individuals submitted electronic public comments on this item that were received, forwarded to the Commission prior to the meeting, and announced into the record by Assistant City Clerk Lee:

Mark Moussa and Marian Soliman, residents of Laguna Hills, submitted an email in favor of approval of the parking permit program.

Brett McClellan, a resident of Laguna Hills and a Lomas Laguna HOA Director submitted an email in favor of approval of the parking permit program.

Neel Patel, a resident of Laguna Hills, submitted an email with a PowerPoint presentation regarding this agenda item.

Andrew Herndon, a resident of Laguna Hills and Lomas Laguna HOA President, submitted an email indicating his desire to speak on this agenda item.

The following individuals addressed the Traffic Commission on this item:

Neel Patel, a resident of Laguna Hills, spoke regarding the petitions efforts for this item and spoke in favor of approval of the parking permit program.

Hawn Mac, a resident of Laguna Hills, spoke regarding increased crime in the area and spoke in favor of approval of the parking permit program.

Tanya Barahona, a resident of Laguna Hills spoke regarding abandoned cars, commercial vehicles, and crime in the area and spoke in favor of approval of the parking permit program.

Neel Patel read comments on behalf of Mark Moussa and Miriam Soliman, residents of Laguna Hills, regarding crime in the area and their support for approval of the parking permit program.

Chip Cox, a resident of Laguna Hills, spoke regarding public nuisances and spoke in favor of approval of the parking permit program.

Andrew Herndon, a resident of Laguna Hills and Lomas Laguna HOA President, spoke in favor and thanked the residents for their efforts

Administrative Sergeant Steinle responded to Commissioner requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the Traffic Commission recommend to the City Council the establishment of a Permit Parking Program in the Lomas Laguna Neighborhood.

A motion to recommend to the City Council the establishment of a Permit Parking Program in the Lomas Laguna Neighborhood was made by Commissioner Schaff, seconded by Vice Chair Bieber.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mark Schaff, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Chris Bieber, Vice Chair
AYES:	Anna Lisa Lukes, Chair; Chris Bieber, Vice Chair; Susan Caskey, Commissioner; Manuel Hernandez, Commissioner; Mark Schaff, Commissioner

4.4 FHWA Traffic Signal Backplates with Retroreflective Borders

Assistant City Engineer Shah reviewed the information provided in the staff report and responded to Commissioner requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the Traffic Commission receive and file the report.

RESULT:	RECEIVE AND FILE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Susan Caskey, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Chris Bieber, Vice Chair
AYES:	Anna Lisa Lukes, Chair; Chris Bieber, Vice Chair; Susan Caskey, Commissioner; Manuel Hernandez, Commissioner; Mark Schaff, Commissioner

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

5.1. Sheriff's Department Verbal Report

Administrative Sergeant Steinle provided a verbal report to the Commission.

5.2 Radar Trailer Calendar

Assistant City Engineer Shah reviewed the information provided in the staff report.

Recommendation: That the Traffic Commission receive and file the report.

RESULT:	RECEIVE AND FILE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mark Schaff, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Susan Caskey, Commissioner
AYES:	Anna Lisa Lukes, Chair; Chris Bieber, Vice Chair; Susan Caskey, Commissioner; Manuel Hernandez, Commissioner; Mark Schaff, Commissioner

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

There were no Commissioner comments.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Traffic Commission at this session, Chair Lukes declared the meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Julie Comella, Administrative Assistant

ATTEST:

Chris Bieber, Chair

Approved at meeting of March 16, 2022