
**CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS
TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 18, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Traffic Commission of the City of Laguna Hills, California, was called to order by Chair Herman 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 Commissioner Bieber.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Present: Chair Len Herman, Vice Chair Chris Mackey, Commissioner Chris Bieber, Commissioner Anna Lisa Lukes,

Absent: Commissioner Larry Woodruff.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Shawna Kozek, a resident, requested a crossing guard at Earhart Road and Velasquez Road.

2. MINUTES

THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION APPROVED THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 17, 2019, REGULAR MEETING, BY M/VICE CHAIR MACKEY, S/COMMISSIONER LUKES. APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 4-0, COMMISSIONER WOODRUFF ABSENT.

3. PRESENTATIONS

There were no Presentations.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

4.1 MULTI-WAY STOP SIGN EVALUATION – BUCKSKIN DRIVE AT MUSTANG DRIVE

Associate Civil Engineer Amber Shah indicated staff was contacted by a resident regarding traffic concerns at the uncontrolled T-intersection of Buckskin Drive at Mustang Drive. In accordance with the Residential Streets Management Policy, staff initiated an evaluation of the intersection. The multi-way stop sign analysis was performed by Hartzog and Crabill, Inc., and determined a 3-way stop sign installation

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was not warranted, based upon the minimum guidelines established by the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) for traffic volumes, traffic collision history and site conditions. However, the study recommended a one-way stop sign installation as a minor street stop control for the southbound approach of Mustang Drive at Buckskin Drive to improve right-of-way assignment. Based upon the findings in the report, staff recommended the installation of a side street stop sign on Mustang Drive to affirmatively assign the right-of-way at the intersection.

THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION RECOMMENDED TO THE CITY COUNCIL THE INSTALLATION OF A ONE-WAY STOP SIGN ON MUSTANG DRIVE AT BUCKSKIN DRIVE. BY M/COMMISSIONER LUKES, S/VICE CHAIR MACKEY. APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 4-0, COMMISSIONER WOODRUFF ABSENT.

4.2 EXTENSION OF GORDON ROAD NO PARKING ZONE FOR SIGHT DISTANCE NEAR IMPERIAL DRIVE (PRIVATE STREET)

Associate Civil Engineer Amber Shah, indicated staff was contacted regarding sight distance limitations on Gordon Road near Imperial Drive, a private street. Based upon the resident's concern, staff initiated a site evaluation, and determined restricting parking at this location will improve sight distance for vehicles exiting Imperial Drive. In addition, a new traffic signal was recently installed on Moulton Parkway and Gordon Road, requiring the establishment of a no parking zone on the northerly side of Gordon Road for 100 feet easterly of Moulton Parkway, for a right turn lane. Staff recommended extending the no parking regulation for 30 feet westerly of Imperial Drive. Ms. Shah indicated the no parking area will provide appropriate sight distance for vehicles, given the geometric layout and design of Gordon Road.

Lynn Hughes, a resident, spoke in favor of the extension of the no parking zone.

THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION RECOMMENDED TO THE CITY COUNCIL THE EXTENSION OF THE EXISTING NO PARKING ZONE ON THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF GORDON ROAD NEAR IMPERIAL DRIVE (PRIVATE STREET) FOR SIGHT DISTANCE. BY M/VICE CHAIR MACKEY, S/COMMISSIONER BIEBER. APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 4-0, COMMISSIONER WOODRUFF ABSENT.

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

5.1 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT VERBAL REPORT

Sergeant McFatridge indicated the Sheriff's Department had increased their presence

at the schools to monitor and enforce the traffic conditions to ensure the safety of the students. Citations were issued, but most vehicles were in compliance and set a good tone for the school year.

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5.2 RADAR SPEED TRAILER

Staff submitted the schedule for the radar trailer.

**THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION RECEIVED AND FILED THE REPORT.
BY M/COMMISSIONER LUKES, S/COMMISSIONER BIEBER.
APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 4-0, COMMISSIONER WOODRUFF ABSENT.**

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

There were no Commissioner comments.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Traffic Commission at this session, Chair Herman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Prepared By:

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Approved By:

Chair Len Herman