



TRAFFIC, SAFETY AND PARKING COMMISSION
Unapproved Minutes
Special Meeting on Thursday, September 26, 2024

The meeting minutes are intended to provide a high-level summary and action items. The official record is the meeting recording, which can be found on the City's website or the City's YouTube Channel:

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****PLEASE NOTE THERE WERE TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES DURING THE SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 SPECIAL MEETING WHICH RESULTED IN NO AUDIO ON ZOOM OR YOUTUBE****

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:02 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

3. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cauchi, Martos, Rebelos

MEMBERS ABSENT: Israelit, Ng

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) August 8, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

The approval of meeting minutes was pushed to a subsequent meeting. There was only one Commissioner present that attended the August meeting.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA

Sandra Lang spoke regarding concerns of speeding on Dwight Road. She requested action, not more studies.

The following public comment email was read for the record.

Once again there's ROWDY speed racers BLASTING off from Howard Avenue onto Rollins Road Northbound at night. Typically, on Wednesday nights around 21:00 hours. Please do what you can to

cite these perpetrators. Thanks for your much appreciated attention to this matter!!!

Respectfully,

Mr. Leon Covarrubias - de la Rosa

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- a) Proposal to Implement Parking Time Durations Along the East Side of California Drive between Carmelita Avenue and Sanchez Avenue

Mr. Wong provided a presentation regarding the various proposed parking time durations along the east side of California Drive between Carmelita Avenue and Sanchez Avenue. The options included:

- Option A: Two-hour parking duration;
- Option B: Four-hour parking duration;
- Option C: No change to the current parking conditions; and
- Option D: “Hybrid option” a mix of two-hour and “daytime” parking.

During public comment, there were five people that spoke—one in favor of two-hour parking (Mark Hudak, representing Charles Mannina), three in favor of long-term parking (Del the owner of One Highway, the owner of Bayside Collision, and Luis with Lou’s Automotive), and one requested “something fair” (Mike with OnTrac).

Commissioner Cauchi stated she supports the two-hour parking duration. Vice-Chair Martos said he supports a hybrid approach. Chair Rebelos felt there should be more parking turnover as you approach Broadway.

Vice-Chair Martos made a motion to accept the staff’s hybrid approach by marking ten, 2-hour parking spaces on California Drive at Carmelita Avenue. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cauchi. The motion passed 2-1.

- b) TSPC Committee Feedback on Hillside Traffic Calming

Mr. Wong provided a presentation regarding the TSPC Committee recommendations for traffic calming on Hillside Drive. The recommendations were as follows:

- Recommendation to change the speed limit from 30 mph to 25 mph from the intersection of Alvarado down to El Camino Real, consistent with other residential streets in Burlingame.
- Recommendation to add a stop sign on Hillside at either Castillo Avenue or Carlos Avenue to allow safer crossing for children walking to Hoover Elementary and BIS and for

pedestrians in general. This would also introduce breaks in the traffic flow on this stretch of Hillside Drive for drivers trying to turn onto Hillside from the intersecting side streets.

- Recommendation to place mobile flashing speed signs on this stretch of road to make drivers aware of their speeds.
- At this time the committee does not recommend speed bumps, but they can be a future option if needed.

Commissioner Cauchi said she didn't feel speed limit feedback signs would change driving behavior. Vice-Chair Martos stated stop signs might help control speeds, but didn't think reducing the speed limit would have any impact.

Manito Velasco stated that Trousdale impacts Hillside and vice-versa. He suggested the consideration of RRFBs at Carlos or Castillo. He also indicated that he had concerns with the installation of unwarranted stops signs.

The following public comment emails were read for the record.

We need a 4 way stop and pedestrian cross walk at the corner of Hillside and Columbus. There isn't a crosswalk between Alvarado and Vancouver, and it gets very busy and fast. Many dog walkers cross here as do children going to school, and they need a way to get safely across. For instance, my son would like to get across Hillside and over to Easton where it's easier to bike to Hoover than going up the hill to Alvarado. Please consider.

*Thank you,
Ambyr Nielsen*

Thanks again for including me on the email list. Unfortunately, I won't be able to attend your meeting this evening. However, I wanted to thank you for the nice presentation and recommendations for the Hillside Calming Plan. Specifically, my neighbors Priyanka Carr, Ed Barisone, & myself like the idea of...

1.) One stop sign at Castillo and a traffic calming device (e.g. radar speed sign?) somewhere between Castillo and Vancouver. This stop sign at Castillo also softens traffic in both directions around both schools (Hoover & Mercy), where lots of kids need to cross Hillside at Alvarado.

2.) Possibly moving the downhill eastbound stop sign at Alvarado (& Hillside) closer to the actual intersection. Currently, it's offset by 23 feet, making it blind to downhill drivers, residents of Hillside near the intersection, and more importantly, pedestrians, especially school children walking to & from Hoover and Mercy. This extra 23 feet gives drivers more time to accelerate AND a longer distance to judge the dynamics of the intersection, especially pedestrians & bicyclists.

Please let us know what you think of these suggestions. We're happy to speak more about our beloved

neighborhood and thanks again for all your help and support.

Thanks & best,

Mike Clay, Priyanka Carr, & Ed Barisone

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

a) Public Hearing Related to Informational Items

Manito Velasco stated it's been a year since the California Drive Bike Project and inquired about the review of the project—what's working and what's not working. He stated the last time the city conducted speed surveys was in 2014 and asked when staff would be reviewing speed limits. Lastly, he requested transparency regarding the additional speed bump on Carmelita.

b) Community Group Updates

No update.

c) Police Department Reports

Sergeant Roberts reported 18 collisions for the month of August, with one of those collisions involving a bicyclist. Please see the report for details.

d) TSPC Chair/Commissioner's Communications

No updates.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Public Hearing Related to Committee Reports

Sandra Lang spoke to the Commission regarding Vision Zero and requested simple terms for the public to understand.

b) BIS School Safety Study (Israelit & Ng)

No update.

c) Hillside Drive Safety and Traffic Calming (Israelit & Ng)

Discussed during item 6.b.

d) Key Performance Indicators (Cauchi & Rebelos)

Commissioner Cauchi stated things are moving forward as planned. She explained the goal is to have a set of metrics that align with City Council, TSPC, and staff. Commissioner Cauchi indicated that Council and staff would be reviewing the metrics in the next 30 to 45 days with a goal to have something in place for the start of the new calendar year.

e) Vision Zero (Martos & Rebelos)

Vice-Chair Martos stated he is waiting for the kick-off meeting to occur.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Grant proposal
- California Drive South of Oak Grove Avenue
- ECR Renewal Project
- Hillside Traffic Calming
- California Drive at Broadway (parking discussion from previous month)

10. ADJOURNMENT 8:54 p.m.