



**CITY OF SARATOGA
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
*MINUTES***

DATE: September 12, 2019
TIME: 6:30 PM – 10:30 PM
LOCATION: Administrative Conference Room
13777 Fruitvale Avenue, Saratoga, CA 95070

Call to Order

Present: Belal Aftab, Jonathan Choi (Chair), Christopher Coulter, Michelle Fitzsimmons, Mitch Kane, David McIntyre

Absent: Ray Cosyn

Staff: Mainini Cabute, John Cherbone, Ashley Brooks, Franziska Church

Report on Posting of the Agenda: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, the agenda for this meeting was properly posted on September 5, 2019.

Accept Agenda Items: No additional items may be added pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2.

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Approval of Draft Minutes

July 11, 2019- Regular Meeting

Sheriff's Report to the Commission

Old Business

1. Traffic Matrix # 392

Issue: Request by I. Keogh, Mendelsohn Lane resident, for the City to install speed humps/tables on Mendelsohn to slow down speeding vehicles.

Action: The TSC has heard this item in 2013 and 2017. In 2018, Mendelsohn Lane residents submitted a petition showing support by most Mendelsohn Lane residents to install speed tables. City staff communicated to Mendelsohn Lane residents to inform them of the installation plans. A few residents responded stating that they are opposed to the speed

tables. This item is returning to the Traffic Safety Commission to review and make a recommendation.

- COMMISSIONER MCINTYRE MOTIONED TO REEVALUATE TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURE THROUGH MENDELSON CORRIDOR WITH FOCUS AT THE CORNER.
- COMMISSIONER KANE GAVE SECOND MOTION.
- APPROVED 6-0-0 (COMMISSIONER COSYN ABSENT)

- COMMISSIONER MCINTYRE MOTIONED TO INSTALL 25 MPH INPAVEMENT SIGNS AT EACH END OF MENDELSON LANE.
- MOTIONED FAILED.

- COMMISSIONER MCINTYRE MOTIONED TO SEND LETTERS TO MENDELSON RESIDENTS WITH PROPOSED TRAFFIC PLAN.
- COMMISSIONER FITZSIMMONS GAVE SECOND MOTION.
- 6-0-0 (COMMISSIONER COSYN ABSENT)

- COMMISSIONER AFTAB MOTIONED TO DIRECT ENGINEER TO DEVELOP TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES FOR THE CORNER. (RESCINDED MOTION)

2. Traffic Matrix # 435

Issue: Request by Glen Brae Drive residents for the City to improve traffic safety and reduce speeds on Glen Brae Drive.

Action: The TSC heard this item November 2018 and July 2019. The traffic engineers developed a 2- phase approach for the neighborhood and presented it to the TSC in July. TSC commissioners recommended that the traffic engineer bring back info on an all-way stop warrant for Glen Brae and Via Monte for review. TSC will receive information and make a recommendation.

- COMMISSIONERS ACCEPTED THE REPORT AND MADE NO RECOMMENDATION.

3. Traffic Matrix # 447

Issue: Request by J. Dimba for the City to improve traffic circulation and safety at Shadow Oaks near the back entrance of the Redwood Middle School.

Action: The TSC heard this item November 2018. The traffic engineer will present a draft traffic plan and TSC will discuss and make a recommendation.

- COMMISSIONER KANE MOTIONED TO ACCEPT PLAN.
- COMMISSIONER COULTER GAVE SECOND MOTION.
- APPROVED 6-0-0 (COMMISSIONER COSYN ABSENT)

4. Traffic Matrix # 456 (*MOVED OUT OF ORDER-- TO THE END OF AGENDA*)

Issue: Request by P. Ragnath, resident near St. Charles, for the City to create pedestrian paths on Saint Charles for school route safety.

Action: The TSC heard this item November 2018. The traffic engineer will present a draft traffic plan and TSC will discuss and make a recommendation.

- COMMISSIONER MCINTYRE MOTIONED TO INCLUDE SAINT CHARLES TO SRTS PROGRAM AND SEND LETTER TO ST. CHARLES PROPERTY OWNERS INFORMING THEM THAT TSC IS CONSIDERING A ONE WAY CONVERSION FOR ST. CHARLES.
- MOTION FAILS.

- COMMISSION COULTER GAVE MOTION TO ROLL SAINT CHARLES INTO SRTS AGENDA.(ROLLING INTO SRTS MEANS THAT MORE STAKE HOLDERS ARE INVOLVED AND GIVES THE SCHOOL THE DECISION TO IDENTIFY THIS STREET AS A PREFERRED ROUTE)
- CHOI GAVE SECOND MOTION.
- APPROVED 6-0-0 (COMMISSIONER COSYN ABSENT)

- COMMISSIONER COULTER MOTIONED TO BRING ST. CHARLES BACK TO TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION IF ADDED TO SRTS BY SCHOOLS.
- COMMISSIONER KANE GAVE SECOND MOTION.
- APPROVED 6-0-0 (COMMISSIONER COSYN ABSENT)
- COMMISSIONER AFTAB MOTIONED TO INCLUDE REID AND LYNDE INTERSECTION TO SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL CONVERSATION FOR FOOTHILL ELEMENTARY
- COULTER GAVE SECOND.
- 6-0-0 (COMMISSIONER COSYN ABSENT)

New Business

5. Traffic Matrix # 457 (*MOVED OUT OF ORDER-- TO THE END OF AGENDA*)

Issue: Request by Mary Amanatullah for the City to install no parking signs on Evans Lane to prevent people blocking her driveway and mail box and garbage pickup areas.

Action: TSC will review and discuss data collected by the traffic engineer and make a recommendation.

- TRAFFIC ENGINEERS WILL REEVALUATE THE LOCATION AND RETURN TO THE TSC AT A FUTURE MEETING DATE.

6. Traffic Matrix #458

Issue: Request by B. McNary to improve traffic safety and pedestrian safety on Reid Lane between Elvira and Lynde.

Action: TSC will review and discuss data collected by the traffic engineer and make a recommendation.

- COMMISSIONER AFTAB MOTIONED TO DIRECT TRAFFIC ENGINEER TO STUDY THE INTERSECTION INCORPORATING TRAFFIC DEPUTIES OBSERVATIONS.
- COMMISSIONER FITZSIMMONS GAVE SECOND MOTION.
- APPROVED 6-0-0 (COMMISSIONER COSYN ABSENT)

7. Traffic Matrix # 459

Issue: Request by U. Nagavarapu for the City to evaluate the traffic safety of the new median construction and the U-turn movement at Prospect and Scully.

Action: TSC will review and discuss data collected by the traffic engineer and make a recommendation.

- COMMISSIONER COULTER MOTIONED FOR STAFF TO INSTALL NO U-TURN SIGN.
- COMMISSIONER FITZSIMMONS GAVE SECOND MOTION.
- APPROVED 5-0-1 (COMMISSIONER AFTAB OPPOSED, COMMISSIONER COSYN ABSENT)

8. Staff Update

Safe Routes to School Program- Next Meeting Date: Oct 15, 2019

Adjournment 10:50 P.M.

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