



TRAFFIC SAFETY AND PARKING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, June 3, 2015 - 7:00 pm

San Bruno City Hall
567 El Camino Real
San Bruno, CA 94066

MINUTES

1. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS -

A. ROLL CALL

<u>TSPC Members:</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jessica Barnes-Lopez (Chair)	X	
Tim Ross (Vice-Chair)		X
Eric Wood	X	
Tom Hamilton	X	
Mark Howard		X

Staff in Attendance:

Joseph Cervantes, Public Services Department
David Wong, Public Services Department
Tim Mahon, Police Department

Public in Attendance Total: 7

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA

Approved as submitted.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jessica Barnes-Lopez stated Tom Hamilton was listed as absent at the last meeting, but he was present. Correction noted. Approval of the May 6, 2015 meeting minutes made by Eric Wood, second by Tom Hamilton. (M/Wood, S/Hamilton: 3-0-0) Approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Jim Nickerson, 730 San Antonio, stated there is a residence on Santa Clara that is running a construction business from their home. They have 4-5 trucks in their driveway and a number of cars on the street. This has negatively impacted the neighborhood parking and the residents have tried to talk to them with no success. He would like to verify that it is within City ordinance to run this business out of their home and also what the limit is per household for the number of vehicles allowed. This also impacts the parking on other blocks around San Antonio.

Lt. Tim Mahon asked for the address and stated the Police Department will investigate. Jim Nickerson responded it is 217 Santa Clara.

Resident, no name given, stated there is an out of state vehicle from Minnesota with an expired license plate and the owner is sleeping in his car. He called the police but they said there is nothing they can do.

Lt. Mahon stated people are not allowed to sleep in their cars in San Bruno. The Police Department can give the resident a ticket for the expired registration. He will have a police officer check on it.

Steve Haas, Valleywood Drive, stated he lives right on the corner of Valleywood and Evergreen and there are no stop signs at this intersection. The visibility is very poor and the cars travel too fast. The hills are not graded properly for the speed and stop signs would slow drivers down.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez stated this can be reviewed by City staff and placed on a future agenda.

5. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Traffic Speeding Analysis on Poplar Avenue between Jenevein Avenue and Crystal Springs Avenue

Joseph Cervantes stated a resident came forward in December 2014 with concerns about speeding on Poplar between Jenevein and Crystal Springs, and asked City staff to assess possible traffic calming measures. A field review was performed along with a 24 hour speed survey on Poplar. Poplar is a local residential street with a speed limit of 25 mph. The combined critical speed from the survey in both directions is 25 mph and the median speed is 20 mph. The speed during the peak period only showed one vehicle traveling over 30 mph. The 5 year collision history on Poplar was assessed from 2008 to 2013 and there were 5 collisions along that portion of Poplar, but none were attributed to unsafe speed. According to the findings, almost 90% of the drivers are traveling within the speed limit, so staff recommends routine traffic enforcement and deployment of radar speed signs.

Tom Hamilton asked what day the speed survey was performed. Joseph responded that it was on a Tuesday.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPENED

Sam Azar, 390 Poplar Avenue, stated there are a lot of speeders despite the survey findings. There is a lot of speeding between 8-9 am. He believes the speeders are local residents. He would like speed bumps installed to slow drivers down. Also there is one sign that says "slow" but it only facing one way. There should be another sign facing the other way.

Scott Smith, 432 Poplar, stated Poplar is a narrow street with a crosswalk in the middle of the street that is used frequently by children. The study seems like a limited sample of the actual speeds, especially on the weekends. There is a lot of traffic on Poplar as well. Speed calming measures would be prudent. A flashing crosswalk would be beneficial along Memory Lane.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD CLOSED

Tom Hamilton stated lighted crosswalks are very expensive and would need to be approved by the City Council for installation.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez stated the existing crosswalk should have ladder markings added to it.

Tom Hamilton made a motion to accept the recommendation for painting the 25 mph speed limit on the pavement, and additionally recommend increased police enforcement, re-paint the crosswalk in the middle of Poplar Avenue to the "ladder" format, and add an additional "slow" sign to the southbound

direction on Poplar across the street from the existing northbound “slow” sign. Second by Eric Wood. (M/Hamilton, S/Wood: 3-0-0) Approved.

B. Discussion of Traffic Concerns on Santa Inez Avenue between El Camino Real and San Antonio Avenue

David Wong stated that in March 2015, a resident complained that vehicles are traveling along the wrong side of the street on Santa Inez Avenue when they travel from eastbound Park Place across El Camino Real onto Santa Inez Avenue. Staff performed a field review to assess if traffic calming measures were warranted. Santa Inez is a local residential street that runs from El Camino Real to San Antonio Avenue and the speed limit is 25 mph. Santa Inez is an offset intersection. From 2008 to 2013 there were four reported collisions at the intersection, but none were attributed to traveling on the wrong side of the road. Staff recommends installation of 50’ of double yellow centerline striping with pavement markers every 24 feet on Santa Inez Avenue adjacent to El Camino Real to clarify the lanes and to deploy visible traffic enforcement.

Tom Hamilton asked if botts dots will be installed. David Wong stated there will be raised reflectors installed every 24 feet but there will be no botts dots installed.

Eric Wood asked how wide Santa Inez is. David Wong responded it is 40’ wide.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez stated this is a major crossing intersection for Capuchino High School students and the bus stop is adjacent to it.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPENED

Jim Nickerson, 730 San Antonio, stated there is a lot of confusion when driving on this route. It looks like vehicles are driving into the left turn traffic and this confuses drivers from the opposite direction that think the driver is turning. Coming from the opposite direction of Santa Inez onto Park Place is just as confusing because of the offset.

Shelly Marquez and Larry Hendrickson, 233 Santa Inez, stated they work at Happy Hall School and it is unclear if it is a double or single lane at El Camino onto Santa Inez. Some additional signage might be helpful that say “slow” or “children present”. There are parents coming off San Antonio to drop off their children at Happy Hall and some drivers are traveling very fast and have to stop suddenly in front of the school.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD CLOSED

Tom Hamilton made a motion to accept the staff recommendation of routine traffic enforcement, monitor the intersection of Santa Inez and El Camino Real, recommend the installation of centerline pavement striping and markers, and refresh the existing curb and lane markings at this location. Second by Eric Wood. (M/Hamilton, S/Wood: 3-0-0) Approved.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez stated the intersection of Santa Helena and San Antonio’s crosswalk near Lomita Park School should be looked at.

6. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

None

7. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None

8. COMMENTS FROM STAFF

None

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the Traffic Safety and Parking Committee (TSPC) meeting until its next regular scheduled meeting on July 1, 2015 at 7 p.m. (M/Wood, S/Hamilton): 3-0-0 - Approved. Meeting adjourned, 7:52 pm.