



TRAFFIC SAFETY AND PARKING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, October 2, 2013 - 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	
Mark Howard (Vice-Chair)	X	
Eric Wood		X
Tom Hamilton	X	
Tim Ross	X	

Staff in Attendance:

Klara Fabry, Public Services Department
Tina Tseng, Public Services Department
Geoffrey Caldwell, Police Department

Public in Attendance Total: 0

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA

Approved as submitted.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the September 4, 2013 meeting minutes made by Mark Howard, second by Tom Hamilton. (M/Howard, S/Hamilton: 4-0-0) Approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

5. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. San Bruno Avenue and West Crestmoor Drive Intersection Traffic Analysis

Tina Tseng stated this item was brought forward by a resident that lives on Trenton Drive. He voiced concerns about the safety of children crossing San Bruno Avenue when walking to John Muir Elementary School. Before school started in the fall at John Muir Elementary, City staff widened the existing crosswalks and upgraded them to high visibility ones on San Bruno Avenue and Crestmoor Drive. Staff also added a yellow "school crossing" crosswalk on Trenton Drive.

A safe route to school specialist was hired to examine the intersections of San Bruno Avenue at Crestmoor Drive and Trenton Drive at Crestmoor Drive and to assess intersection safety improvements. During two separate field investigations, 8 pedestrians were observed crossing the intersection in the morning and 6 in the afternoon. This pedestrian count does not warrant a crossing guard. Pedestrian signal heads and push buttons are not provided at the north and south leg of the crosswalk, and the specialist recommended installation of these at San Bruno Avenue at Crestmoor Drive. The specialist noted there is restricted sight distance when crossing southbound Crestmoor Drive onto westbound San Bruno Avenue. To mitigate this, he recommended placing a "no right turn on red" turning restriction at this intersection. Tina Tseng noted that installation of this restriction could reduce efficiency at the intersection. The resident requesting this item also asked for the installation of a crosswalk on the northern leg of Crestmoor Drive at Trenton Drive. The specialist stated there is some concern about installing a crosswalk at this location. If a driver is speeding when traveling westbound on San Bruno Avenue and turning onto Crestmoor Drive northbound, they may not be able to see pedestrians in time to respond accordingly. The specialist recommended appropriate pavement markings and signage installation if this crosswalk is installed.

Tina Tseng stated installation of the pedestrian advance yield "shark teeth" markings are not recommended this for signalized intersections in accordance with the MUTCD. Another alternative is a new crosswalk across San Bruno Avenue on the eastern approach, which would make a four-way crosswalk at this intersection. At westbound San Bruno Avenue east of Crestmoor Drive there is no sidewalk, so there is no added value to installing a crosswalk at this location. For the pedestrian signal heads and push buttons, City staff would have to research potential design and construction costs.

Tom Hamilton stated the "no right turn on red" could be problematic. Can a sign be installed with limited hours of enforced times?

Mark Howard stated school hours change, so this may not be the best option. "No turn on right with pedestrians present" or "yield to pedestrians" signage may be better.

Tom Hamilton stated the proposed crosswalk on Crestmoor at Trenton Drive makes the crosswalk on Crestmoor at San Bruno Avenue not necessary. The crosswalk on Crestmoor at San Bruno Avenue should be taken out since there is no sidewalk on San Bruno Avenue at this location to support pedestrian safety.

Mark Howard stated installing two marked crosswalks on Trenton at Crestmoor makes sense for students going to John Muir. A "use crosswalk" sign could be installed on the west side of San Bruno Avenue.

Tim Ross stated the right hand turn from San Bruno Avenue onto northbound Crestmoor does not provide good visibility for drivers to see pedestrians and respond accordingly. The fencing and shed built at the house located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Crestmoor and San Bruno Avenue adds to the poor visibility.

Geoffrey Caldwell stated he has discussed this location with Tina Tseng and she will check with the City's Planning Department on the permitting of the fence and shed to confirm it is in accordance with City requirements.

Tina Tseng stated if the crosswalk is removed on Crestmoor at San Bruno Avenue, most pedestrians will likely still cross at this location instead of walking further away to the intersection at the new

crosswalk on Trenton at Crestmoor Drive. A “no pedestrian crossing” sign will probably not prevent pedestrians from crossing at the most convenient location.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez clarified with Tina Tseng the route that the children will be taking to access John Muir School.

Tina Tseng confirmed.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez stated the limited sight line issue should be addressed.

Mark Howard clarified a public hearing would need to take place to remove a crosswalk.

Tina Tseng stated the City is planning on installing accessible ramps at the intersection of San Bruno Avenue at Crestmoor Drive on the northeast and northwest corners. A pedestrian rail guard will also be installed at this location to keep pedestrians from stepping onto the roadway outside the marked crosswalks.

Tom Hamilton made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to install a new crosswalk across Crestmoor Drive on the north side of Trenton Drive, install crosswalk warning signs, recommend the painting of “SLOW SCHOOL XING” on the street, decline the recommendation of installing a “no turn on red” sign for southbound Crestmoor to westbound San Bruno Avenue, and recommend further study of the removal of the crosswalk across Crestmoor Drive on the north side of San Bruno Avenue, and request that pending installation of accessible ramps at the proposed crosswalk removal location be put on hold until removal assessment is completed. Second by Tim Ross. (M/Hamilton, S/Ross: 4-0-0) Approved.

B. Installation of New Stop Signs

Tina Tseng stated a few City intersections have been modified as part of the San Bruno Grade Separation project. Due to the modification, two intersections now need stop signs to control traffic movements.

The location of the recommended installation of new stop signs are as follows:

- on the eastern leg of Angus Avenue at Huntington Avenue
- on the western leg of Angus Avenue at First Avenue
- on the northern and southern legs of San Mateo Avenue at Huntington Avenue

Mark Howard made a motion to approve the staff recommendation. Second by Tom Hamilton. (M/Howard, S/Hamilton: 4-0-0) Approved.

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 November 6, 2013 at 7 p.m. (M/Hamilton, S/Ross): 4-0-0 - Approved. Meeting Adjourned, 7:48 pm.