



TRAFFIC SAFETY AND PARKING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, October 4, 2017 - 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>
Tom Hamilton (Chair)	X	
Jessica Barnes-Lopez (Vice-Chair)	X	
Mark Howard	X	
John Giuseponi		X
Marco Durazo	X	

Staff in Attendance:

Michael Kato, Public Services Department
Michael Blundell, Police Department

Public in Attendance Total: 9

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA

Approved as submitted.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Howard made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as submitted. 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. Establish Parking Restriction on West Side of the 700 Block of Cherry Avenue

Michael Kato stated in January of 2013, a resident expressed concern about speeding cars sideswiping parked cars on the 700 block of Cherry Avenue. In July of 2017, a resident requested red curb on the west side of the 700 block of Cherry Avenue due to the road being narrow and a bus route.

Michael Kato reviewed the existing street and parking conditions, existing bus routes, collision history, site distance, peak traffic hours, and resident travel routes with the Committee. The possibility of time

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limited parking restrictions were also reviewed. Staff recommends restricting parking on the west side of Cherry Avenue between Hickory Avenue and Juniper Avenue at all times to provide additional room for buses to negotiate the curved part of the road.

Tom Hamilton asked what time the buses start on weekdays. Michael Kato responded they start about 6 am.

Tom Hamilton asked if Cherry is considered a collector street. Michael Kato stated it is.

Mark Howard asked if a wider time limit for the proposed red zone would help free up parking on Sundays and holidays. Also, is it more cost effective to install signs or paint for this work. Michael Kato responded the signs are most cost effective to maintain; he's not sure which is less expensive to install.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez asked if SamTrans has requested any of these changes. Michael Kato replied they have not.

Tom Hamilton stated the benefit of red curbing the recommended section is that homes do not front this location, so no parking is being taken in front of someone's home.

Mark Howard stated removing any parking should be evaluated.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPENED

James Jones, 714 Cherry Avenue, stated his car has been sideswiped three times in the past year. On one hand this proposal would improve sideswiping, but on the other it could increase speeding. Parking after 5 pm is also a challenge. He is in favor of time limited red curbing.

Cathy Wocasek, 714 Cherry Avenue, stated she supports James' comments. She asked what size the notification mailing was. Michael Kato responded notices were mailed 300 feet around the proposed location.

Chris Ochoa, 702 Cherry Avenue, stated there have been a number of sideswipe accidents over the years, but only three times have people stopped. He supports the proposed red zone on one block of Cherry between Hickory and Juniper. There should be consideration for night time parking. He supports red curb over signage. There is a concern about increased speed with this red curbing.

Manuel Palafal, 788 Cherry Avenue, stated he thinks this will increase speeding. His car has been sideswiped while parked on the opposite end of Cherry, so he is not sure this will help. He is against red curbing. This will create limited parking that will cause other residents to park in front of his house.

Ryan Mrsny, 1604 Kains, stated he lives on Kains at Cherry and the street is way too narrow. It is only going to get worse with the increase in traffic from YouTube and more residents moving in. Parked cars are not a speed enforcement tool, police enforcement is. There should be red curbing all the way down Cherry; not signage. This road sees a lot of traffic and it is too narrow.

Ken Roy, 1604 Kains, stated there are a lot of cars parking up onto the sidewalk and it is not because of the narrowness of the street. Cars parked on the street are a speed deterrent and people do drive fast on Cherry. He is opposed to red curbing. Also the SamTrans bus that travels on Cherry is almost empty when it goes by; perhaps the bus route should be reviewed or a smaller bus utilized.

Arlene Roy, 1604 Kains, stated she is against red curbing. There is plenty of space for cars. If there is red curbing, the parking will become more congested.

Robert Barnett, Williams Avenue, stated signage does not work. The bus service cannot be removed from this route. A red zone would alleviate this problem.

James Jones, 714 Cherry Avenue, asked if speed bumps are an option. Michael Kato stated they are not an option on a collector street like Cherry.

Chris Ochoa, 702 Cherry Avenue, recommended a speed trailer be installed.

Ryan Mrsny, 1637 Kains, asked if a white zone could be installed in front of the mail box on Cherry, as he sees residents stop in the street to drop their mail. He also requested red curbing the street corners to keep people from parking across them to improve line of sight.

Ken Roy, 1604 Kains, stated he has never seen anyone stop in the street to drop mail.

Michael Kato received 8 emails in regards to this issue:

Resident, 747 Sycamore, would like to have red curbing on the west side of the 700 block of Cherry.

No name or address given, stated time limited red curbing from 8 am to 6 pm M-F is recommended for the 700 block of Cherry. If this does not work, it should be a red zone with no time limits.

David Getzler, 1796 Juniper, stated Cherry Avenue is difficult to navigate as a pedestrian because of the cars parking onto the sidewalk; he recommends full time red curbing, but would be in favor of time limited red curbing from 6 am to 8 pm.

Rod Mrsny, 1767 Holly, stated he is in favor of red curbing on Cherry on the west side between San Bruno Avenue and Kains.

No name given, stated they do not approve of red curbing on Cherry. Make people drive better.

No name given, Pepper Drive, stated speeding is more of an issue, not parking.

No name given, stated they want red curbing. Cars are parked blocking the corners of Holly and Cherry almost every night and create sight distance problems. Speed is also a factor.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD CLOSED

Tom Hamilton stated the consensus is red curbing the entire section of Cherry received 4.5 votes; red curbing the block of Cherry from Juniper to Hickory got 2 votes; timed parking got 2.5 votes; to do nothing got 5 votes.

Mark Howard asked if painting a center line on Cherry would help slow drivers down. Michael Kato stated he would have to confirm if painting a centerline on this street would even be possible due to the narrowness of the street when cars are parked on both sides. If there were no parking on one side of the road, then it could be offset and reviewed. A centerline would make sense for this location.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez stated she would like more information before authorizing the removal of parking from residents. There are no traffic counts or speed surveys. There is no SamTrans representative here to discuss the issue of buses traveling this street safely.

Marco Durazo stated he does not like taking parking away from residents, but this location does not front any homes. There is some urgency in getting this issue addressed due to the number of accidents discussed. Centerline painting is a good idea.

Tom Hamilton stated he also does not like to take parking away. The concern is that there is no speed data or parking data. We can send this back to staff to get more data and re-visit the issue.

Mark Howard made a motion to install a red curb on Cherry Avenue from Hickory to Kains and install a centerline stripe on Cherry from San Bruno Avenue to Kains to assist with speed control and to improve pedestrian safety.

Mark Howard made a motion to install a red zone on Cherry from 7 feet prior to the fire hydrant to around the corner and up to the bus stop #78 and install a white zone 20 feet long on the opposite side of the street adjacent to the mailbox enforced M-S from 9 am to 6 pm with permit parking on holidays and Sundays.

Tom Hamilton made a motion to install red zones on the corners of Cherry Avenue at Holly, Juniper and Hickory to prevent parking on the corners; to request staff perform a speed study of Cherry Avenue to San Bruno Avenue; a parking study at various times of the day and week with a special focus on the west side of Cherry Avenue; a traffic count study for Cherry Avenue to San Bruno Avenue. Second by Jessica Barnes-Lopez. (M/Hamilton, S/Barnes-Lopez: 4-0-0).

B. Establish All Way Stop Control at the Intersection of San Mateo Avenue and Jenevein Avenue

Michael Kato stated in 2009 the City completed a study which determined that an all way stop is warranted for the intersection of San Mateo Avenue and Jenevein Avenue. It appears that staff turnover at the time may have caused this item to be overlooked and never rescheduled for review by the TPSC. A recent inquiry brought this back to staff's attention and the existing study was found to be incomplete, so staff conducted a new evaluation of the intersection.

Michael Kato reviewed the existing street conditions, the 2009 and current warrant criteria for the all-way stop, collision data, site distance, pedestrian and vehicle volume requirements with the Committee. Staff recommends establishing an all way stop at the intersection of San Mateo Avenue and Jenevein Avenue.

Tom Hamilton stated he supports the installation of the stop signs at this intersection.

Marco Durazo stated he also supports the installation of the stop signs at this intersection.

There was no public comment.

Tom Hamilton made a motion to accept the staff recommendation of removal of the installation of an all-way stop at San Mateo Avenue and Jenevein Avenue. Second by Jessica Barnes-Lopez. (M/Hamilton, S/Barnes-Lopez: 4-0-0) Approved.

6. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

None

7. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Tom Hamilton stated resident Carolyn Livengood passed away and he wanted to acknowledge all the work she did for the City. She often attended TSPC meetings.

Tom Hamilton asked for an update on the dots being installed on Crystal Springs Road. Michael Kato stated he is trying to get the PUC to install them. He will follow up with Jimmy on this.

Mark Howard asked for an update on the installation of a guardrail on Crystal Springs Road from the PUC. Michael Kato stated he will research this.

8. COMMENTS FROM STAFF

Michael Kato reviewed the outline of outstanding TSPC priority list with the Committee. There will be more details reviewed with the Committee at the next meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the Traffic Safety and Parking Committee (TSPC) meeting until its next regular scheduled meeting on November 1, 2017 at 7 p.m. (M/Howard, S/Hamilton): 4-0-0 - Approved.
Meeting adjourned, 8:29 pm.