



TRAFFIC SAFETY AND PARKING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, June 7, 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:

David Wong, Public Services Department
Michael Kato, Public Services Department
Jimmy Tan, Public Services Department
Colin Page, Police Department

Public in Attendance Total: 5

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA

Approved as submitted.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Howard was not listed as attending the last meeting, but he was present. Change noted. Approval of the May 3, 2017 meeting minutes made by Mark Howard. Second by Tom Hamilton. (M/Howard, S/Hamilton: 3-0-0) Approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Fred Schmidt, 702 3rd Avenue, asked why there is an illegal mosque on 4th Avenue with limos parked everywhere, why community service officers do not ticket cars for being parked on the wrong side of the street, and why it is allowable for drivers to park in residential neighborhoods when going on a trip – when the police are called it has been parked 72 hours and they get another 72 hours with a warning. One guy told him it is cheaper to get a ticket than to park at the long term airport parking lot.

Adam Cozzette, Elm Avenue, stated he submitted a request on February 1 to have the intersection at Cherry and San Bruno Avenue reviewed for safety measures due to the pedestrian fatality in December 2016. This is an important issue and should be a priority.

Stephen Seymour, Mastick Avenue, stated what Fred Schmidt previously discussed shows the importance of parking permits. People should not be able to leave their cars in front of our homes for weeks at a time.

Ryan Mrsny, 1637 Kains, stated he is concerned about large PG&E work vehicles being parked in front of his home and he has tried to discuss this with PG&E without success. He would like an option from the City of a location workers can drive to and leave their vehicles safely. Kains is too narrow for large vehicles. On the 700 block of Cherry by Kains Avenue, it is very heavily traveled route that also is used by school buses. He would like a study done to request red curbing on the west side where no homes face the street to make the street wider for travel.

5. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Installation of Signage Prohibiting Large Commercial Trucks from Entering the Neighborhood Bounded by Herman Street, Huntington Avenue East and Tanforan Avenue

David Wong stated a San Bruno resident from the 5th Addition neighborhood has expressed concerns regarding the regular occurrence of large commercial vehicles utilizing Herman Street as a truck route to enter/exit the City of South San Francisco. The 5th Addition neighborhood is entirely residential and the streets in this neighborhood were not intended to function as a truck route conveying large commercial vehicles traveling to and from the City of South San Francisco.

David Wong reviewed the existing street conditions and potential mitigation options of education and enforcement with the Committee. Staff is requesting that the TSPC approve the installation of a "No Trucks" sign on Herman Street near the intersection of Huntington Avenue and routine traffic enforcement by San Bruno Police.

Tom Hamilton stated enforcement seems more effective than signs, although he is not against installing signs.

Mark Howard stated "Through Trucks Prohibited" might be a better sign.

Colin Page stated the signage is important for police enforcement.

Mark Howard stated a report of possible truck routes in San Bruno would be a helpful option.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPENED

Marty Medina, 456 Garden Avenue, stated there is a lot of traffic on 7th Avenue and the existing signage is being ignored. Enforcement works really well. The routes that are being used by trucks can use more signage.

Stephen Seymour, Mastick Avenue, stated the signage is important in order to enforce violations. The signage should state the tonnage allowed on a specific street. A bigger sign will be more visible. The key issue is the safety involved with large trucks traveling on residential streets, but also the wear and tear on the streets is a costly problem.

Fred Schmidt, 702 3rd, asked if commuter buses are considered oversized, as businesses in San Bruno like YouTube are using large buses to transport employees.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD CLOSED

Tom Hamilton stated each sign should have an explainer sign beneath the “No Trucks” sign with a supplemental sign listing the fines for each offense.

Tom Hamilton made a motion to accept the staff recommendation of the installation of “No Trucks” signage on Herman Street near the intersection of Huntington Avenue; to install “Commercial Vehicles Over 3 Tons Gross Prohibited” with the San Bruno City Ordinance listed below this as well as supplemental signage to delineate the fines for violation; to increase enforcement at this location by the police department; and where there is an existing “No Trucks” sign in the 5th addition neighborhood to add the two additional signs. Second by John Giuseponi (M/Howard, S/Giuseponi: 3-0-0) Approved.

Fred Schmidt, 702 3rd Avenue, asked if a report can be given to residents in a few months to see how many tickets have been issued. Mark Howard responded that David Wong can place it on the agenda for review in a few months.

Tom Hamilton confirmed that enforcement cannot take place until the signs are installed. Colin Page stated probably not.

Tom Hamilton asked how long the signs will take to be installed. David Wong replied probably about two months.

B. Installation of Red Curb on Linden Avenue near City Hall Parking Lot

David Wong stated City staff has requested the installation of red curb on Linden Avenue near the City Hall parking lot due to concerns related to parked vehicles prohibiting PG&E from accessing a vault housing high voltage equipment. This vault, located on the sidewalk immediately north of the parking lot’s southern driveway, is a vital component of City services as it responsible for providing power to San Bruno City Hall. The City’s communication network is through City Hall and any power disruption to this location would result in interruption to the communication network for all city services including the communication network utilized by emergency services. Existing street conditions and parking survey results near the proposed red curb location were reviewed with the Committee. The installation of red curb to provide access to the PG&E vault would not significantly impact the nearby residents as there is sufficient on-street and off-street parking in the nearby vicinity. The proposed red curb location would ensure that PG&E would have continuous access to this vault that is providing power to San Bruno City Hall and the City’s entire communication network.

John Giuseponi stated he drove by a couple times during the day and there is plenty of parking for residents.

Mark Howard stated a sign should be put up that this is a tow away zone.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPENED

Stephen Seymour, Mastick Avenue, clarified that police cannot tow a car parked in a red zone. Mark Howard confirmed this.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD CLOSED

John Giuseponi asked what kind of signage would be recommended. Mark Howard stated one sign posted should be sufficient stating “No Parking Tow Away Zone”.

Tom Hamilton made a motion to accept the staff recommendation for City Council's review and approval of the installation of red curb adjacent to the vault on Linden Avenue next to the City Hall parking lot to ensure that PG&E has access during power outages as well as installation of a "No Parking Tow Away Zone" sign. Second by John Giuseponi. (M/Howard, S/Giuseponi: 3-0-0) Approved.

6. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Tom Hamilton stated the latest approved Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee meeting minutes were included in the TSPC packet for review.

7. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Tom Hamilton welcomed returning Committee member John Giuseponi back to the TSPC.

Tom Hamilton stated he has been attending the sub-committee meetings for the proposed Permit Parking Program and the next step will be a study session with the public, City Council and the TSPC. The date is yet to be determined.

Tom Hamilton asked for an update on the installation of the bot dots on Crystal Springs Road. David Wong replied the contract was recently awarded. It should take about a month to complete this part of the work.

Tom Hamilton stated there was a rumor that Caltrans was planning on installing the flashing crosswalks across El Camino in San Bruno. Jimmy Tan replied that they are actually installing a "hawk" system on El Camino in San Bruno, which is an arm that is installed over the intersection and flashes similar to the beacons in the roadway when the pedestrian button is pushed. A full stop is required when the lights are flashing.

8. COMMENTS FROM STAFF

Jimmy Tan also welcomed John Giuseponi back to the Committee.

Jimmy Tan introduced the City's new traffic engineer, Mike Kato. He will be taking over a majority of the issues for the TSPC from David Wong.

Colin Page stated there has been a cut in grant funding for traffic check points, but hopefully it will be re-funded in the future.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the Traffic Safety and Parking Committee (TSPC) meeting until its next regular scheduled meeting on July 5, 2017 at 7 p.m. (M/Howard, S/Hamilton): 3-0-0 - Approved. Meeting adjourned, 8:15 pm.