

**CITY OF SAN MARINO  
TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMISSION  
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

February 27, 2017

7:00 p.m.

City Hall

2200 Huntington Drive

San Marino, CA 91108

**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chair Chang called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Vice Chair Chang

**ROLL CALL:**

**Commissioners Present:** Vice Chair Chang, Commissioners Crowley, Doo and Alternate Lo

**Commissioners Absent:** Chair Coupe, Commissioner Gupta

**City Officials Present:** Chief John N. Incontro and Ruth Smith

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 16, 2017:** Commissioner Crowley moved for approval and it was seconded by Vice Chair Chang. Minutes passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. REPORT ON FOLLOW-UP STOP SIGN ANALYSIS FOLLOW-UP OF FOUR UNCONTROLLED INTERSECTIONS:** Ruth Smith, Traffic Engineer provided the report on the four uncontrolled intersections. The Commission approved five of the nine intersections and there were four we needed to re-assess. Canterbury and Chaucer was observed and it was determined that there was more traffic on Chaucer than Canterbury. We will be recommending to place a stop sign on Chaucer. Roanoke and Old Mill Road we were proposing a two-way stop sign based on sight distance as it is limited. There was some concerns from the commissioners and residents who didn't see any reason for such a proposal of the two-way stop sign. Ruth stated she went ahead and conducted an additional observation and realized that the decision is based on sight distance as the road is slightly skewed. Residents expressed concerns and stated they did not want controls installed.

Volumes are extremely low 300-400 a day and one collision reported in 2012. Since we base it on sight distance, we are comfortable to state no controls should be installed. Roanoke and Chelsea there was a minor change with the two stop legends and stop bars. One Commissioner asked if we could have one stop legend. No re-analysis just a stripping change. Roanoke and Warwick were determined that a two way stop should be on Roanoke. There's a valley gutter on both sides of Warwick which slows down traffic. People on Warwick do not seem to stop, people assume Warwick has the right of way. In reviewing it again, it was not feasible to install a stop sign on Warwick. We looked at the City's Stop sign warrants and conducted speed surveys. Based on the information, it clearly indicates a stop sign is required at Roanoke. Where the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile of speed is greater than 30 MPH. Instead of recommending a two-way stop we are recommending a four way stop.

Commissioner Crowley acknowledged the Chief and indicated he was glad the Commission took the time to address these four items.

Commissioner Crowley moved to approve staff recommendations and it was seconded by Commissioner Doo.

Chief Incontro stated to the Commission and audience the item will be forwarded to City Council. Ruth Smith, Traffic Engineer indicated the report will be ready next month.

Vice Chair Chang inquired on the status of Robles and Sierra Madre.

## **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**NONE**

## **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Alternate Lo spoke in regards to San Gabriel Boulevard as there were several traffic collisions some of them even being fatal. There is a portion that belongs to the County. Wondering if on our side we can do something to slow traffic down. If we can install a sign indicating "Slow Down".

Ruth Smith, Traffic Engineer stated we can definitely look into this by collecting data. However, bringing it next month will be difficult as Robles and Sierra Madre will take much of our Agenda.

Chief Incontro stated we have communicated with CHP and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. We have looked at the Engineering maps where 40' is in our jurisdiction. We have enforced this area. We are trying to do a little bit more.

Ruth Smith, Traffic Engineer stated we can also contact the LA County Engineers. The speed in this area is based on the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile. There are restrictions which makes it difficult to lower

the speed. As much as we want to lower the speed, the judge will just throw those tickets out. We can put up warning signs. We will look into this in the future and report to the Commission.

Chief Incontro stated we have run into problems at San Gabriel and Longden. We continuously pulled out maps trying to determine whose jurisdiction this area belonged to. We do generally enforce the same things and citations in this area go to Alhambra Court.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Chief Incontro stated relatively little has changed since last month's meeting. Same issues with speed and unsafe turns. We have seen an increase use of secondary roads due to the construction on Huntington Drive.

The construction on Huntington Drive has been delayed as a result of rain.

As far as major events we will have the Golden Streets this weekend. We will be shutting down streets by 6:00 a.m. We anticipate a large number of attendees. We have six or seven organizations setting up booths and tables at Stoneman as this will be our hub. We have posted the information on our website, notified our churches and community. The area will be open by 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. to traffic.

Commissioner Crowley inquired on the new State law which went into effect regarding hand held devices. Wondering how many citations our Department has issued?

Chief Incontro indicated the information will be available next month.

### **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT**

There were no Public Works Department Reports.

### **PUBLIC WRITINGS DISTRIBUTED**

There were no public writings distributed.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1) Nancy Hoffman (1234 Roanoke Road) – Not necessary to install a stop sign at Old Mill. Spoke in regards to installing a Stop sign at Roanoke & Chelsea not Old Mill Road. Glad a stop sign is being placed at Chelsea.

2) Mr. William Graham – (1792 Warwick Road) – Spoke in favor of installing the four-way stop sign at Warwick and Roanoke. Supports Traffic Engineers recommendation of the four-way stop sign.

A member of the audience thanked Chief Incontro for the visibility he has placed for traffic abatement as it has been a great advent for the Community.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Chang adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held at City Hall in Council Chambers on Monday, March 20, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. INCONTRO