



City of Rolling Hills

INCORPORATED JANUARY 24, 1957

2 PORTUGUESE BEND ROAD
ROLLING HILLS, CA 90274
(310) 377-1521

AGENDA
Regular Traffic Commission
Meeting

TRAFFIC COMMISSION
Thursday, July 27, 2023

CITY OF ROLLING HILLS
8:30 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

This is the appropriate time for the Chair or Commissioners to approve the agenda as is or reorder.

5. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS (SUPPLEMENTAL)

Blue folder items are additional back up material to administrative reports and/or public comments received after the printing and distribution of the agenda packet for receive and file.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

This section is intended to provide members of the public with the opportunity to comment on any subject that does not appear on this agenda for action. Each speaker will be permitted to speak only once. Written requests, if any, will be considered first under this section.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

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**7.A. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 27, 2023**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as presented.

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7.B. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC COMMISSION MINUTES: MAY 25, 2023

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as presented.

[CL_MIN_230525_TC_F.pdf](#)

8. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

9. PRESENTATION

- 9.A. LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT LOMITA STATION,
TRAFFIC STATISTICS FOR THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS FOR MAY/JUNE
2023 (VERBAL REPORT)
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

10. OLD BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

- 11.A. REVIEW AND APPROVE SUPPLEMENTAL TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT
AGREEMENT WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
RECOMMENDATION: Consider and approve as presented.
[CA_AGR_LACo_Sheriff_FY 23-24_SupplementalTrafficEnforcement.pdf](#)
[CO_TRC_230727_Letter_Hawkins_Radar_230620.pdf](#)

12. MATTERS FROM MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

13. MATTERS FROM STAFF

14. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting: Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the City Council Chamber,
Rolling Hills City Hall, 2 Portuguese Bend Road, Rolling Hills, California, 90274.

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City of Rolling Hills

INCORPORATED JANUARY 24, 1957

Agenda Item No.: 7.A
Mtg. Date: 07/27/2023

TO: HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

FROM: CHRISTIAN HORVATH, CITY CLERK / EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO CITY MANAGER

THRU: DAVID H. READY. ESQ., PH.D

SUBJECT: APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 27, 2023

DATE: July 27, 2023

BACKGROUND:

None.

DISCUSSION:

None.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve as presented.

ATTACHMENTS:

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Administrative Report

7.A., File # 1930

Meeting Date: 7/27/2023

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) §§
CITY OF ROLLING HILLS)

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Meeting Date & Time JULY 27, 2023 8:30am

As City Clerk of the City of Rolling Hills, I declare under penalty of perjury, the document noted above was posted at the date displayed below.

Christian Horvath, City Clerk

Date: July 21, 2023



City of Rolling Hills

INCORPORATED JANUARY 24, 1957

Agenda Item No.: 7.B
Mtg. Date: 07/27/2023

TO: HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

FROM: CHRISTIAN HORVATH, CITY CLERK / EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO CITY MANAGER

THRU: DAVID H. READY. ESQ., PH.D

SUBJECT: APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC COMMISSION MINUTES: MAY 25, 2023

DATE: July 27, 2023

BACKGROUND:

None.

DISCUSSION:

None.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve as presented.

ATTACHMENTS:

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Traffic Commission of the City of Rolling Hills met on the above date at 8:30 a.m. Chair Wilson presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Virtue, Raine, Vice Chair Bobit, Chair Wilson
Commissioners Absent: Margeta,
Staff Present: John Signo, Planning & Community Services Director
Christian Horvath, City Clerk / Executive Assistant to the City Manager
Vanessa Munoz, Traffic Engineer

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Chair Wilson

4. APPROVE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

Without objection, so ordered.

5. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS (SUPPLEMENTAL) – NONE

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – NONE

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

7.A. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 25, 2023

7.B. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC MINUTES: MARCH 23, 2023

Motion by Vice Chair Bobit, seconded by Commissioner Raine to approve consent calendar. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: Bobit, Raine, Chair Wilson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Virtue
ABSENT: Margeta,

8. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – NONE

9. PRESENTATION

9.A. LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT LOMITA STATION, TRAFFIC STATISTICS FOR THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS FOR MARCH/APRIL 2023 (VERBAL REPORT)

Presentation by Deputy Sullivan

Deputy Sullivan noted that more individuals were now trained to use LIDAR for speeding enforcement. No action taken.

10. OLD BUSINESS – NONE

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.A. CONSIDER SAFETY CONCERNS ON OUTRIDER ROAD

Presentation by John Signo, Planning & Community Services Director
Vanessa Munoz, Traffic Engineer

Public Comment: Arty Beckler

Motion by Commissioner Raine, seconded by Vice Chair Bobit to not pursue any changes. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: Virtue, Bobit, Raine, Chair Wilson
NOES: None
ABSENT: Margeta,

11.B. DISCUSS SPEED LIMIT SIGNS ON PORTUGUESE BEND ROAD, CREST ROAD, AND EASTFIELD DRIVE

Presentation by John Signo, Planning & Community Services Director
Vanessa Munoz, Traffic Engineer

Public Comment: Arty Beckler

Motion by Commissioner Raine, seconded by Commissioner Virtue to place signs in location as recommended by the Traffic Engineer provided the posts are wood. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: Virtue, Bobit, Raine, Chair Wilson
NOES: None
ABSENT: Margeta,

12. MATTERS FROM MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Chair Wilson had questions regarding repaving on Portuguese Bend Road near Rancho as well as about the existing turnout in the same location where Republic Services stations a mother truck. Arty Beckler of the Rolling Hills Community Association provided feedback to the commission.

13. MATTERS FROM STAFF – NONE

14. ADJOURNMENT: 9:12 A.M.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 a.m. to a regular meeting of the Traffic Commission scheduled to be held on Thursday, July 27, 2023, beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the City Council Chamber, Rolling Hills City Hall, 2 Portuguese Bend Road, Rolling Hills, California, 90274.

Respectfully submitted,

Christian Horvath, City Clerk

Approved,

Patrick Wilson, Chair



City of Rolling Hills

INCORPORATED JANUARY 24, 1957

Agenda Item No.: 9.A
Mtg. Date: 07/27/2023

TO: HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

FROM: JOHN SIGNO, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY SERVICES

THRU: DAVID H. READY. ESQ., PH.D

**SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT LOMITA STATION,
TRAFFIC STATISTICS FOR THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS FOR
MAY/JUNE 2023 (VERBAL REPORT)**

DATE: July 27, 2023

BACKGROUND:

Supplemental traffic enforcement was ceased in early April 2023. The last report on supplemental traffic enforcement was made to the Traffic Commission on May 25, 2023.

Below is data for May 2023 and June 2023 from the Sheriff's regular patrol. It does not include supplement traffic enforcement.

May

Total Citations- 29

Hazardous 29

Radar Citations 14

June

Total Citations- 15

Hazardous- 3

Non-Hazardous- 12

Hazardous citations are moving violations such as speeding, unsafe turns, following too closely, etc. Non-hazardous citations consist of broken taillights, seatbelt violations, no license plates, etc. The radar violations resulted in speeding tickets.

There are no statistics for traffic collisions during this time frame.

DISCUSSION:

None.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file.

ATTACHMENTS:



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Agenda Item No.: 11.A
Mtg. Date: 07/27/2023

TO: HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

FROM: JOHN SIGNO, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY SERVICES

THRU: DAVID H. READY. ESQ., PH.D

SUBJECT: REVIEW AND APPROVE SUPPLEMENTAL TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

DATE: July 27, 2023

BACKGROUND:

The City contracts with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for public safety through a regional contract with the cities of Rolling Hills Estates and Rancho Palos Verdes. Each city pays a proportionate share of the Lomita Sheriff's Station regional contract for their services that typically includes hours of general traffic enforcement for Rolling Hills.

Additionally, the City of Rolling Hills has independently contracted with the Sheriff's Department for additional supplemental traffic enforcement. The following is a history on the cost of service for the past five years:

Fiscal Year (FY)	Amount
FY 2018-19	\$25,790
FY 2019-20	\$25,790
FY 2020-21	\$27,379
FY 2021-22	\$27,649
FY 2022-23	\$28,694

Typically, supplemental traffic enforcement is reviewed by the Traffic Commission prior to the next fiscal year. However, at its March 23, 2023 meeting, the Traffic Commission had concerns that supplemental traffic enforcement was not being used for its intended purpose which was to address speeding violations. This was due primarily because of staffing issues with the Sheriff's Department and a shortage of deputies able to provide Lidar/Radar enforcement. Lidar is an acronym that stands for Light Detection and Ranging; Radar is an acronym that stands for Radio Detection and Ranging. Although no action was taken, Chair

Wilson indicated he would discuss the concern with the City Council.

On April 10, 2023, the City Council discussed the issue and voted to eliminate supplemental traffic enforcement. At the May 25, 2023 Traffic Commission meeting, the Sheriff's Department indicated there are now several officers trained at Lidar/Radar enforcement. The Commission received the report but did not take action.

At the June 12, 2023 City Council meeting, the Council received a report on the Traffic Commission and voted, 4-1 (Black dissenting), to reinstate supplemental traffic enforcement.

DISCUSSION:

Attached to this report is the Sheriff's Department Fiscal Year 2023-24 proposal for supplemental traffic enforcement. This proposal is for 275 hours divided into three phases which totals \$28,792.50, as follows:

- Phase 1: 132 hours and runs from July 1, 2023, to November 30, 2023
- Phase 2: 16 hours and runs from December 1, 2023, to December 30, 2023
- Phase 3: 127 hours and runs from January 1, 2024, to June 30, 2024

In regards to deployment, the Sheriff's Department maintains a strategy of being visible when conducting traffic enforcement as a means of encouraging safe driving and to issue warnings if/when appropriate. The Traffic Commission has stressed the importance of enforcing speed limits and staff has also discussed this with the supplemental traffic enforcement division of the Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's Department, Lomita Station currently has 17 deputies trained at Lidar/Radar, but not all are dedicated to traffic enforcement or the Palos Verdes Peninsula area. Typically, about 2 deputies handle traffic between the 3 Peninsula cities. Moving forward, the Sheriff's Department indicated a priority will be given to deputies trained at Lidar/Radar who can issue speeding citations when signing up for supplemental traffic enforcement. Supplemental traffic enforcement is an overtime service for deputies who must complete regular shifts prior to providing supplemental traffic enforcement. As such, many deputies will only work about 4 hours of supplemental traffic enforcement at any given time.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Supplemental traffic enforcement is separate from the regional contract with the Sheriff's Department which is shared with Rolling Hills Estates and Rancho Palos Verdes. Supplemental traffic enforcement is paid under the COPS fund, which covers supplemental public safety activities. The total for 275 hours at \$104.70 per hour of service is \$28,792.50.

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider and approve as presented.

ATTACHMENTS:

- [CA_AGR_LACo_Sheriff_FY 23-24_SupplementalTrafficEnforcement.pdf](#)
- [CO_TRC_230727_Letter_Hawkins_Radar_230620.pdf](#)

ROLLING HILLS TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

The program will begin July 1, 2023. The supplemental traffic enforcement will run from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. The primary focus of this direct traffic enforcement will be Monday thru Friday. Location will be random to increase our visibility and the effectiveness of the enforcement. The breakdown is as follows:

PHASE 1

The first phase will start July 1, 2023 and continue through November 30, 2023. This will be a total of 132 hours. 60 hours from phase 1 will correspond with the first two weeks of the 2023/2024 school year, which tentatively begins on August 26, 2023.

The cost of the initial phase is \$13,820.40 (132 hours X \$104.70 per hour).

PHASE 2

A Second phase will begin on December 1, 2023 and will continue through December 30, 2023. The program will consist of 16 hours of traffic enforcement. The breakdown is as follows:

8 hours per week for 2 weeks for a total of 16 hours. The cost of this phase for the month of December will be \$1,675.20 (16 hours X \$104.70 per hour).

PHASE 3

A third phase will commence on January 1, 2024 and will conclude on June 30, 2024. The remaining 127 hours of traffic enforcement will be utilized throughout this time period. The breakdown is as follows:

127 hours spread over a 6 month time period. The cost of this phase is \$13,296.90 (127 hours X \$104.70).

The traffic office will work closely with city staff and residents to increase the overall effectiveness of the entire program. High visibility and compliance with traffic regulations will be the main goal of this operation. This will result in a safer environment for everyone traveling through the city of Rolling Hills.

If a shift is missed, it can be made up during the phase in which it was missed. This will ensure maximum coverage throughout the operation.

TOTAL COST FOR ALL 3 PHASES: \$28,792.50 (275 hours X \$104.70)

June 20, 2023

VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

City of Rolling Hills
No. 1 Portuguese Bend Road
Rolling Hills, California 90274

Dear City Council:

At your last meeting, the Council confirmed it had cancelled the Sheriff Department's supplemental radar traffic enforcement services for various reasons, including the Department's current inability to deploy deputies qualified to use radar devices and its cost-ineffective emphasis on stop sign violations.

If the Department is no longer providing radar traffic enforcement in Rolling Hills due to the service being cancelled or because it is unable to do so, you should consider removing our radar enforcement signs unless, and until, the service is restored.

For ease of reference, there is a "**SPEED CHECKED BY RADAR**" sign inside the Main Gate; a "**RADAR ENFORCED**" sign inside the Crest Gate; and a "**SPEED CHECKED BY RADAR**" sign inside the Eastfield Gate. There may be other such signs elsewhere in the city but, if they exist, their location(s) do not come to mind.

Respectfully submitted,



Roger E. Hawkins
37 Crest Road West, Rolling Hills, CA90274

Cc: City Traffic Commission (via e-mail to City)