



# 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, March 28, 2024

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)

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### 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

*Business items, except those formally noticed for public hearing, or those pulled for discussion are assigned to the Consent Calendar. The Chair or any Commissioner may request that any Consent Calendar item(s) be removed, discussed, and acted upon separately. Items removed from the Consent Calendar will be taken up under the "Excluded Consent Calendar" section below. Those items remaining on the Consent Calendar will be approved in one motion. The Chair will call on anyone wishing to address the Commission on any Consent Calendar item on the agenda, which has not been pulled by Commission for discussion.*

#### 7.A. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2024

**RECOMMENDATION: Approve as presented.**

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#### 7.B. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC COMMISSION MINUTES: DECEMBER 11, 2023

**RECOMMENDATION: Approve as presented.**

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### 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 NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2023 \(VERBAL REPORT\)](#)

**RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.**

[CO\\_TRC\\_240328\\_RH\\_SupplementalTraffic\\_February2024.pdf](#)

[CO\\_TRC\\_240328\\_RH\\_SupplementalTraffic\\_January2024.pdf](#)

[CO\\_TRC\\_240328\\_RH\\_SupplementTraffic\\_November2023.pdf](#)

[CO\\_TRC\\_240328\\_RH\\_TrafficCitationSummary\\_11-01-23-12-31-23.pdf](#)

## 10. OLD BUSINESS

- 10.A. [STREET PARKING AND OVERNIGHT PARKING ON PORTUGUESE BEND ROAD AND OTHER AREAS OF THE CITY](#)

**RECOMMENDATION: Discuss and provide direction for staff.**

## 11. NEW BUSINESS

- 11.A. [TRAFFIC CONCERNS AT EASTFIELD GATE ENTERING FROM PALOS VERDES DRIVE EAST](#)

**RECOMMENDATION: Discuss and provide direction.**

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## 12. MATTERS FROM MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

- 12.A. [SPEEDING AND TRAFFIC SIGNS](#)

**RECOMMENDATION: Discuss and provide direction.**

## 13. MATTERS FROM STAFF

- 13.A. [DISCUSS RESCHEDULING THE MAY 2024 TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING](#)

**RECOMMENDATION: Discuss and provide direction to staff.**

## 14. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting: Thursday, May 23, 2024 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*

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**Agenda Item No.: 7.A**  
**Mtg. Date: 03/28/2024**

**TO:** HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

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

**THRU:** KARINA BAÑALES, CITY MANAGER

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2024

**DATE:** March 28, 2024

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**BACKGROUND:**

None.

**DISCUSSION:**

None.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve as presented.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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# Administrative Report

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7.A., File # 2167

Meeting Date: 3/28/2024

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

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Meeting Date & Time	MARCH 28, 2024	8:30am
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*Christian Horvath, City Clerk*

Date: March 22, 2024



## *City of Rolling Hills*

INCORPORATED JANUARY 24, 1957

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**Agenda Item No.: 7.B**

**Mtg. Date: 03/28/2024**

**TO:** HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

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

**THRU:** KARINA BAÑALES, CITY MANAGER

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC COMMISSION MINUTES: DECEMBER 11, 2023

**DATE:** March 28, 2024

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**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  
Karina Bañales, City Manager

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Chair Wilson**

**4. APPROVE ORDER OF THE AGENDA**

Motion by Commissioner Virtue, seconded by Vice Chair Bobit to approve order of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

**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 ADJOURNED MEETING OF DECEMBER 11, 2023**

**7.B. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC COMMISSION MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 28, 2023**

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

AYES: Virtue, Raine, Bobit, Chair Wilson  
NOES: None  
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 SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2023 (VERBAL REPORT)**

Presentation by Deputy Sullivan

Public Comment: Alfred Visco

Motion by Commissioner Raine, seconded by Vice Chair Bobit to receive and file. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

**10. OLD BUSINESS**

**10.A. RECEIVE AND FILE A REPORT ON STORM HILL LANE**

Presentation by Planning & Community Services Director John Signo

Motion by Vice Chair Bobit, seconded by Commissioner Virtue to receive and file. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

**10.B. RECEIVE AND FILE A FOLLOW-UP TO THE DISCUSSION ABOUT SIGNAGE AT CREST ROAD EAST AND EASTFIELD DRIVE LEADING TO CREST ROAD EAST GATE AND FINDING THE ACTION CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

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

Public Comment: Alfred Visco, Melissa McNabb

Motion by Commissioner Raine, seconded by Vice Chair Bobit to recommend changing signage, prior to the Crest Road East gate at Eastfield Drive, that clarifies during an emergency that this exit is available for emergency egress. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

Motion by Chair Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Raine directing staff to ask the Traffic Engineer for her recommendations and issue a report on the combination of existing traffic signage and the potential for emergency exit signage as well. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

## **11. NEW BUSINESS**

### **11.A. ZONING CASE NO. 23-070: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR A NEW DRIVEWAY AND DRIVEWAY APRON AS PART OF A SITE PLAN REVIEW, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, AND VARIANCE APPLICATION ON A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 23 CREST ROAD EAST (LOT 132A-MS), ROLLING HILLS, CA 90274 (OGASAWARA), AND DETERMINING THE PROJECT IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

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

Public Comment: Frank Escher

Motion by Commissioner Raine, seconded by Commissioner Virtue to approve as recommended. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

### **11.B. ZONING CASE NO. 23-100: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR NEW DRIVEWAYS AND DRIVEWAY APRONS AS PART OF A SITE PLAN REVIEW, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, AND VARIANCE APPLICATION ON A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4 SPUR LANE (LOT 11-B-CH), ROLLING HILLS, CA 90274 (LUKIC), AND DETERMINING THE PROJECT IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

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

Public Comment: Alfred Visco. Luis de Moraes, Melissa McNabb

Motion by Commissioner Raine, seconded by Commissioner Virtue to approve the residence driveway. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

Motion by Commissioner Raine, seconded by Commissioner Virtue to accept Traffic Engineer's recommendation to deny approval of the barn driveway. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

## **12. MATTERS FROM MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

Commissioner Raine and Chair Wilson requested adding a discussion item related to the Dyer property and overnight parking at the January Traffic Commission meeting.

## **13. MATTERS FROM STAFF – NONE**

**13.A. INSTALLATION OF LED PAVEMENT MARKERS BY THE ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ON PORTUGUESE BEND ROAD AND OTHER AREAS**

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

Motion by Commissioner Raine, seconded by Commissioner Virtue to receive and file. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

**14. ADJOURNMENT: 9:59 A.M.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m. to a regular meeting of the Traffic Commission scheduled to be held on Thursday, January 25, 2024, 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,

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Christian Horvath, City Clerk

Approved,

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Patrick Wilson, Chair



## *City of Rolling Hills*

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**Agenda Item No.: 9.A**  
**Mtg. Date: 03/28/2024**

**TO: HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

**FROM: JOHN SIGNO, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**THRU: KARINA BAÑALES, CITY MANAGER**

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

**DATE: March 28, 2024**

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### **BACKGROUND:**

#### Supplemental Citations

For supplemental traffic enforcement, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department reported the following citations in February 2024:

- February 2024
- 17 citations (13 residents, 4 non-residents)
  - Stop sign violations: 14
  - Speeding: 3
- January 2024
- 6 citations (5 residents, 1 non-resident)
  - Stop sign violations: 1
  - Speeding: 5

There were no supplemental traffic enforcement citations issued in December 2023.

- November 2023
- 20 citations (5 residents, 15 non-resident)
  - Stop sign violations: 8
  - Speeding: 11
  - Warrant arrest: 1

### Regular Citations

For regular enforcement, the Sheriff's Department reported the following for November and December 2023:

- 11 hazardous citations (speeding, failure to stop at stop sign, any moving violations)
- 15 non-hazardous citations (broken tail light, no license plate, turn signal etc.)
- TOTAL: 26

Traffic Collisions (year to date): None

DUI Arrests (year to date): None

### **DISCUSSION:**

None.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive and file.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

[CO\\_TRC\\_240328\\_RH\\_SupplementalTraffic\\_February2024.pdf](#)

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[CO\\_TRC\\_240328\\_RH\\_SupplementTraffic\\_November2023.pdf](#)

[CO\\_TRC\\_240328\\_RH\\_TrafficCitationSummary\\_11-01-23-12-31-23.pdf](#)

DATE	LOCATION	VIOLATION	SPEED	RESIDENT CITES	NON-RESIDENT CITES	DEPUTY
2/1/2024	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed	45	0	1	Sullivan
	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed	49	0	1	Sullivan
	Portuguese Bend/Blackwater Canyon	Stop Sign		0	1	Sullivan
2/14/2024	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		0	1	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
2/20/2024	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed		1	0	Galosic
2/28/2024	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Portuguese Bend Road/Crest Road	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez

Jan-24

# ROLLING HILLS TRAFFIC

24RE010848

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Nov-23

## ROLLING HILLS TRAFFIC

24RE010591

DATE	LOCATION	VIOLATION	SPEED	RESIDENT CITES	NON-RESIDENT CITES	DEPUTY
11/9/2023	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop Sign		1	0	Sullivan
	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop Sign		0	1	Sullivan
	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop Sign		0	1	Sullivan
	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed	45	0	1	Sullivan
	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed	43	0	1	Sullivan
	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed	45	0	1	Sullivan
11/15/2023	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop Sign		0	1	Gutierrez
	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop Sign		1	0	Gutierrez
	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop sign		0	1	Gutierrez
	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop Sign		0	1	Gutierrez
	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop Sign		0	1	Gutierrez
	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop Sign		0	1	Gutierrez
	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop Sign		0	1	Gutierrez
	Blackwater Canyon Rd/Portuguese Bend Rd	Stop Sign		0	1	Gutierrez
	23 Portuguese Bend Rd	10851(a) VC warrant arrest		0	1	Gutierrez
11/26/2023	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed	46	0	1	Galosic
	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed	48	0	1	Galosic
	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed	45	1	0	Galosic
	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed	57	1	0	Galosic
	Crest Road/St. John's Canyon Road	Speed	45	1	0	Galosic

Inventory List

1/17/2024

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**Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department**  
**Lomita Sheriff's Station**

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**Citation Summary Report**

**1/16/2024**

**From 11/1/2023 to 12/31/2023    City: ROLLING HILLS**

Category	Quantity
Total Number of Citations	26
Total Number of Violations	27
Total Number of Hazardous Citations	11
Total Number of Hazardous Violations	11
Total Number of Non-Hazardous Citations	15
Total Number of Non-Hazardous Violations	16
Total Number of DUI Arrests	0
Total Number of DUI Citations	0
Total Actual DUI	0
Total Number of Parking Citations	0
Total Number of Radar Citations	0
Total Number of Pedestrian Citations	0
Total Number of Pedestrian Violations	0
Total Number of Bicycle Citations	0
Total Number of Bicycle Violations	0
Total Number of Safety Belt Citations	0
Total Number of Safety Belt Violations	0
Total Number of Child Restraint Citations	0
Total Number of Child Restraint Violations	0
Total Number of Financial Responsibility Citations	0



## *City of Rolling Hills*

INCORPORATED JANUARY 24, 1957

**Agenda Item No.: 10.A**  
**Mtg. Date: 03/28/2024**

**TO: HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

**FROM: JOHN SIGNO, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**THRU: KARINA BAÑALES, CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: STREET PARKING AND OVERNIGHT PARKING ON PORTUGUESE BEND ROAD AND OTHER AREAS OF THE CITY**

**DATE: March 28, 2024**

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### **BACKGROUND:**

This item was brought to the attention of the Traffic Commission at its December 11, 2023 meeting. The Traffic Commission directed staff to research the issue and prepare it for discussion at the next meeting.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Per the Rolling Hills Municipal Code (RHMC):

- **10.52.210 - All-night parking prohibited.**
  - No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle on any road for a period of time longer than one hour between the hours of **two a.m. and four a.m. of any day**, except authorized emergency vehicles and the vehicle of any regularly licensed physician when engaged in making professional calls.
- **10.52.250 - Parking over seventy-two hours prohibited.**
  - No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle shall park such vehicle upon any road for **more than a consecutive period of seventy-two hours**.

Enforcement during the holiday season was difficult because of holiday festivities and overnight guests. Rather than enforcing the parking prohibitions immediately during the holiday season, reminders were sent to residents via the City's newsletter. The Sheriff's Department has no reports on overnight parking, but can patrol the City to monitor prolonged and overnight parking, including the hours of two a.m. and four p.m.

Regarding parking of a horse trailer in front of 20 Portuguese Bend Road, staff did observe the horse trailer on several occasions, but it did not violate the regulations above. Staff does not have the ability to observe street parking after hours, including nights and weekends, but noticed the horse trailer would be parked for a couple hours and moved the same day. More recently, staff has not observed the horse trailer parked at that location.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Public safety and traffic safety are paid under the contract with the LA County Sheriff's Department.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Discuss and provide direction for staff.

**ATTACHMENTS:**



## *City of Rolling Hills*

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**Agenda Item No.: 11.A**  
**Mtg. Date: 03/28/2024**

**TO:** HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

**FROM:** JOHN SIGNO, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY SERVICES

**THRU:** KARINA BAÑALES, CITY MANAGER

**SUBJECT:** TRAFFIC CONCERNS AT EASTFIELD GATE ENTERING FROM PALOS VERDES DRIVE EAST

**DATE:** March 28, 2024

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### **BACKGROUND:**

On February 23, 2024, City staff received an email from Laurie Brodie regarding safety concerns at the Eastfield Gate when entering from Palos Verdes Drive East. Ms. Brodie is requesting a "pull forward" sign on Palos Verdes Drive East at the entrance to Eastfield Drive due to prolonged queuing at the gate. The email was forwarded to City Council at their March 11, 2024 meeting under public comment in which Mayor Mirsch directed staff to place an item on an agenda. Since this is a traffic-related issue, it is being referred to the Traffic Commission for consideration.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The issues were forwarded to the Traffic Engineer for consideration. The Traffic Engineer spoke to Ms. Brodie and offered to meet her at the location for further discussion. The Traffic Engineer also spoke to the gate attendant at the Eastfield Gate. According to the attendant, the queuing backup is temporary occurring just before 7 a.m. and lasts approximately 5 minutes. Staff can provide a verbal report to the Traffic Commission at the meeting.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Discuss and provide direction.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

[CO\\_TRC\\_240328\\_Email\\_Brodie\\_EastfieldGate\\_Redacted.pdf](#)

## Christian Horvath

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2024 10:35 AM  
**To:** John Signo  
**Cc:** City Clerk; Karina Banales  
**Subject:** Re: Traffic Concerns at the Eastfield Gate  
**Attachments:** EASTFIELD GATE TRAFFIC HAZARD02232024.pdf

Attention: John Signo

Thank you for your email below. I have attached a quick diagram of the problems I encounter at the Eastfield Gate

I am not sure who created the Left Turn Lane on PVDr.E into RH, from traffic heading North.

As a resident, in a Volvo wagon, not an SUV, when there are cars waiting to turn into RH, I cannot see any cars in the far right traffic passing lane, that are passing the waiting cars and trucks lined up in the left turn lane - therefore I cannot see if it is safe to pull out to the Left, so I can head North. I have so far narrowly escaped an accident, as cars drive by on the right, passing those in the left turn lane, as I attempt to make a left at the gate.

There needs to be a sign on PV Dr E warning passing cars on the right, that cars may be trying to exit RH on the left. Something like: CAUTION, CROSS TRAFFIC ON THE LEFT

Additionally, regarding cars and trucks waiting to enter RH in the non-resident side, who are stacked on PV Dr.East going South, and turned onto Eastfield - waiting to get to the gate. There is no additional turn lane for these waiting vehicles. They BLOCK my view of seeing what is coming on the left, as I attempt to turn Left.

These cars do not PULL FORWARD, as space clears for them to do so, as attendant processes them.

There should be a sign, just as you turn onto Eastfield - stating PULL FOWARD. So cars know that they ought to pull forward toward the gate, so I can see traffic coming on PV Drive East that is heading South.

I am not a bad driver, but have recently narrowly avoided 2 crashes, both occurring as I attempted to turn left from Eastfield, and cannot see who is coming in either direction.

Do you want me to sit at the white stop line, in the first position to exit on Eastfield, and wait till there are no cars in the left turn lane going North, and no cars stacked up on PV Dr. East heading South, waiting to turn onto Eastfield????

These are 2 very dangerous problems that have existed prior to implementing the RH ID policy.

Please see attached diagram.

Resident: Laurie Brodie  
phone: [REDACTED]  
email: [REDACTED]

Thank you.

On Wednesday, February 21, 2024 at 05:24:27 PM PST, John Signo <jsigno@cityofrh.net> wrote:

Hi Mrs. Brodie,

It was a pleasure speaking to you earlier. I am sorry to hear about the traffic concerns at the Eastfield Gate. You are welcome to address the City Council and Traffic Commission at their meeting. The next City Council meeting is on February 26 at 7 p.m. here at City Hall. The next Traffic Commission meeting is on March 28 at 8:30 a.m. here at City Hall. There is an opportunity at each meeting for the public to comment on non-agenda items. You are also welcome to write a letter to each body stating your concerns. City Council and the Traffic Commission cannot deliberate on non-agenda items but may direct staff to follow up.

There is a \$300 fee for placing an item on the Traffic Commission agenda. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

**John F. Signo, AICP**

*Director of Planning and Community Services*

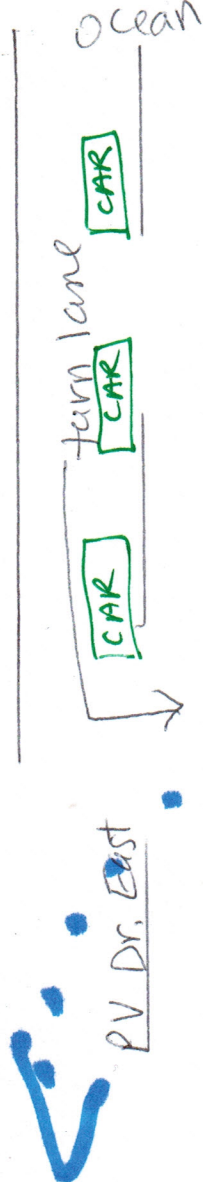
**City of Rolling Hills**

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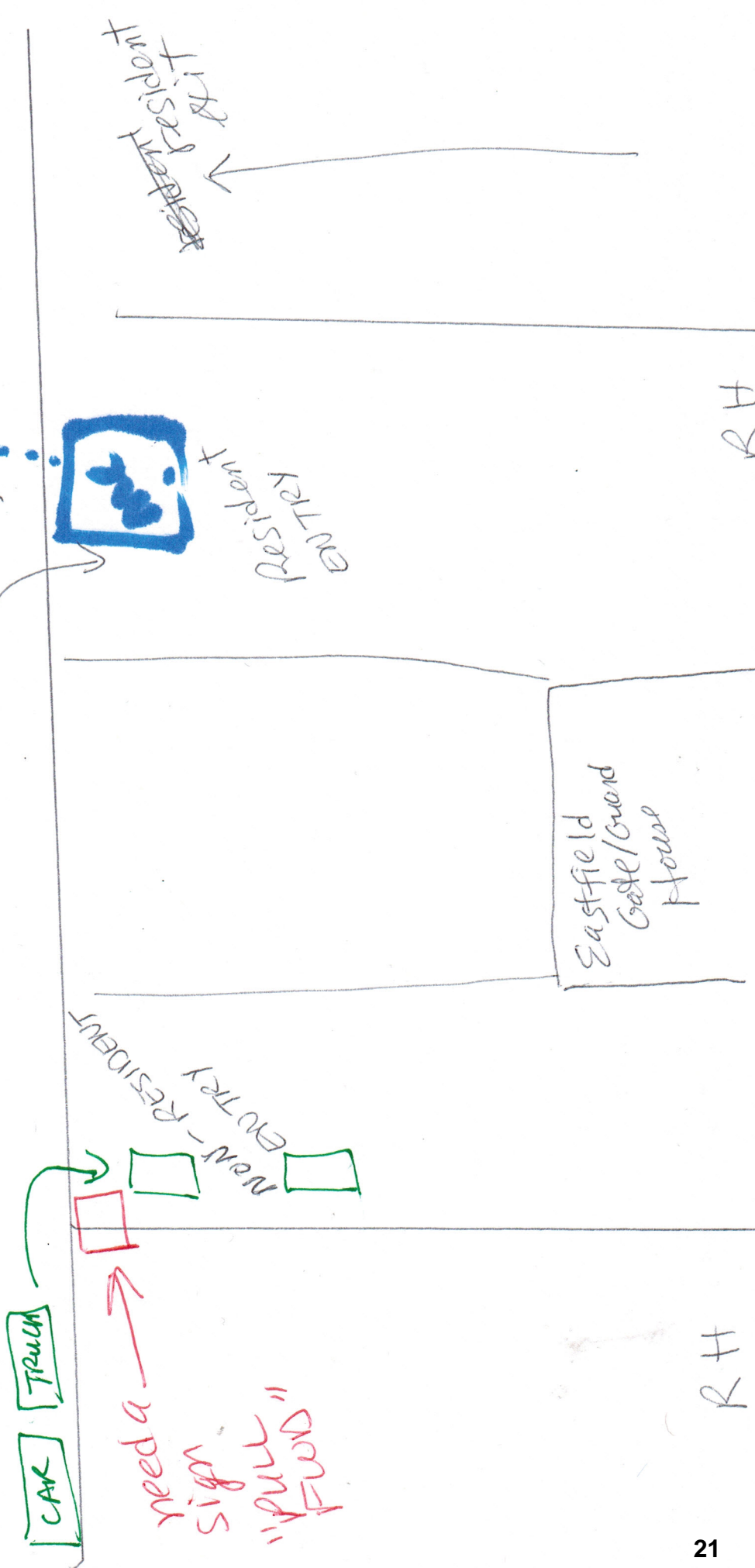
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THESE CARS, WITH  
TURN LANE CARS



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## *City of Rolling Hills*

INCORPORATED JANUARY 24, 1957

**Agenda Item No.: 12.A**  
**Mtg. Date: 03/28/2024**

**TO:** HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
**FROM:** JOHN SIGNO, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY SERVICES  
**THRU:** KARINA BAÑALES, CITY MANAGER  
**SUBJECT:** SPEEDING AND TRAFFIC SIGNS  
**DATE:** March 28, 2024

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### **BACKGROUND:**

Commissioner Bobit raised the following two issues:

- 1) Complaints about drivers speeding through the stop sign at Open Brand Road and Eastfield Drive. Commissioner Bobit requests the Sheriff to post someone there from time-to-time.
- 2) At a recent RHCA Board Meeting a resident, who walks a lot on Crest Road, suggested placing a sign with the word "Absolute" under the 30 mph speed limits signs on Crest. This long-time resident claims that years ago a horizontal sign with the word "Absolute" was incorporated onto the sign posts and helped slow down traffic.

Staff has also been contacted about speeding concerns on Crest Road, which may be the same speaker that attended the RHCA Board Meeting. Staff informed the resident the City is contracted with LA County Sheriffs and a presentation from the Sheriffs is given to the Traffic Commission. The resident was invited to attend.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The issues were forwarded to the Traffic Engineer and Sheriff's Department for consideration.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Discuss and provide direction.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**



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**Agenda Item No.: 13.A**

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**SUBJECT: DISCUSS RESCHEDULING THE MAY 2024 TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING**

**DATE: March 28, 2024**

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**BACKGROUND:**

The next regularly scheduled Traffic Commission meeting is May 23, 2024. However, due to a conflict for Chair Pat Wilson, it is advised the meeting be rescheduled to a date in which there is a quorum.

**DISCUSSION:**

For alternate dates, the following are recommended:

- Thursday, May 16 at 8:30 a.m.
- Thursday, May 30 at 8:30 a.m.

If those dates do not work, the Traffic Commission can discuss other dates and times in which there is a quorum.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Discuss and provide direction to staff.

**ATTACHMENTS:**