

**MINUTES  
REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING  
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS  
February 16, 2023**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Vallejo called the Traffic Commission meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Present: Chairperson Linda Vallejo, Commissioners Blake Carter, and Sally Gaitan

Absent: Vice Chair Miranda, Commissioner Coca

Also Present: Tom Lopez, Consultant Traffic Engineer; Vivian De Léon, Secretary; Sergeant Paul Segura, WPD Traffic Division; Detective Jake Junge, WPD

**3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Chairperson Vallejo announced the public may at this time address the Traffic Commissioners on any matter within the jurisdiction of the City by the Traffic Commission.

Adam Roberts spoke about the traffic issues on Pioneer Boulevard and Charlesworth Road including motorists running the Stop sign and noisy vehicles without mufflers routinely driving thru the area at all hours of the day and night.

There being no one else to address the Commission, Chairperson Vallejo closed oral communication at 6:06 PM.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JANUARY 19, 2023**

Recommended action: Approve the minutes as submitted for the regular meeting of January 19, 2023

MOTION: Commissioner Gaitan

SECOND: Commissioner Carter

AYES: Vallejo, Gaitan and Carter

ABSENT: Vice Chair Miranda, Commissioner Coca

**NEW BUSINESS**

**5. Traffic Bureau Report – December 2022**

Recommended Action: That the Commission receive the report for December 2022.

Sergeant Segura first introduced WPD Detective Jake Junge, who provided information on the City's Flock Camera system. Detective Jones noted that cameras are strategically located within the City, and can read license plates and are in use by the department as an investigative tool. The flock cameras can detect reported stolen vehicles or assist with Amber alerts, via reading of a license plate.

Sergeant Segura then provided a summary of the Traffic Bureau Report for December 2022, noting (0) Fatalities, (22) Injury, and (29) Property Damage. The High-Collision intersections year to date for 2022 are Telegraph Road/Greenleaf Avenue (12), Florence Avenue/Orr and Day Road (11), Florence Avenue/Bloomfield Avenue (10), Florence Avenue/Shoemaker (8), Telegraph Road/Orr and Day Road (8), and Carmenita Road/5-FWY (7). He noted that for Orr & Day Road and Pioneer the traffic detail has noted that speed and overweight are major factors. There were (8) Traffic Detail Operations yielding 87 violators, with 80 violators cited. The Year-to-Date for: Fatalities are (4), Injury (246), Property Damage (295), Pedestrian (14) and Bicycle (11). The Primary Collision Factors: Improper Turn (109), and Unsafe Speed (94), Auto Right-of-Way Violations (74), Traffic Signals and Signs (63).

MOTION: Commissioner Carter  
SECOND: Commissioner Gaitan  
AYES: Vallejo, Gaitan and Carter  
ABSENT: Vice Chair Miranda, Commissioner Coca

MOTION CARRIED to receive the Traffic Bureau report for December 2022.

6. Request for Parking Restriction on Matern Place north of Telegraph Road.  
Recommended action: That the Traffic Commission recommend to the City Council that a parking restriction between 6:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. be implemented on the west side of Matern Place from a point 370' north of Telegraph Road to a point 630' northerly.

Commissioner Gaitan inquired on the difference in time from the report and the location provided. Mr. Lopez indicated that the original request was for the period noted on the location, but that the correct time is as requested on the report.

Mr. Lopez provided a brief presentation for Item 06, noting that the company is experiencing issues of truckers and homeless leaving debris in front of their business, and parking adjacent to their driveway, making it difficult to see oncoming traffic when exiting the driveway.

MOTION: Commissioner Carter  
SECOND: Chairperson Vallejo  
AYES: Vallejo, Gaitan and Carter  
ABSENT: Vice Chair Miranda, Commissioner Coca

MOTION CARRIED to approve recommended action.

**7. COMMUNICATIONS**

**Commission**

Commissioner Carter inquired about the traffic signal installed at Pioneer Boulevard and the driveway south of St. Pius X Catholic Church. Mr. Lopez indicated that there is traffic signal at the location that can be actuated by either vehicles exiting the parking lot or pedestrians wanting to cross Pioneer Boulevard. Commissioner Carter then inquired about the possibility of installing a lighted crosswalk at the location. Mr. Lopez indicated that lighted crosswalks are not allowed at a location if there is an existing traffic signal at the same location.

Commissioner Carter then inquired about the possibility of installing a lighted crosswalk on Orr and Day Road and Davenrich Street due to it being dark and a speedway for motorists. Mr. Lopez indicated that over the years, staff has made several enhancements to this crosswalk, but would look into this request.

Commissioner Gaitan inquired about having the current "Left Turn Yield to Opposing Traffic" sign located at Telegraph Road and Alburis Avenue lighted with flashing LEDs. She indicates that since the sign has been there a while, motorists overlook the sign. Mr. Lopez indicated that he would look into this.

**Staff**

Mr. Lopez indicated that in Santa Fe Springs speed bumps have only been installed in alleys and parking lots. The standard practice is to install bumps or humps where speed limits are 25 MPH or less. Speed bump installation is not done on roads with more than one lane in each direction and they do affect response times for emergency service vehicles.

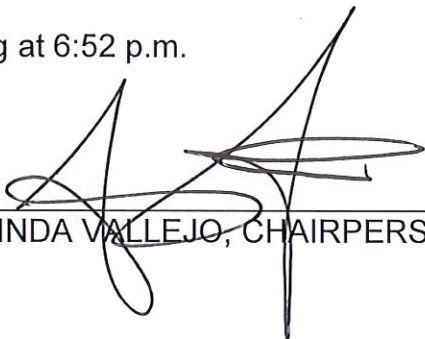
**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Vallejo adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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VIVIAN DE LEÓN, SECRETARY

FOR

  
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LINDA VALLEJO, CHAIRPERSON