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# LA MESA TRAFFIC COMMISSION

## AGENDA

A Special Meeting

**Wednesday, January 9, 2019**

**9:00 a.m.**

**City Council Chambers**

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## AGENDA

JANUARY 9, 2019

9:00 A.M.

### CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

INVOCATION – COMMISSIONER JUSTICE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. TRAFFIC ACTION ITEMS SINCE PREVIOUS TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING (ATTACHMENT)
2. TRAFFIC CALMING UPDATE (ATTACHMENT)

### PUBLIC COMMENTS – (TOTAL TIME – 15 MINUTES)

NOTE: In accordance with state law, an item not scheduled on the agenda may be brought forward by the general public for discussion; however, the Traffic Commission will not be able to take any action at this meeting. If appropriate, the item will be referred to Staff or placed on a future agenda.

### OLD BUSINESS

### NEW BUSINESS (ACTION)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 5, 2018 TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING (ATTACHMENT)
4. WORK PLAN 2019 (ATTACHMENT)
5. VISION ZERO POLICY

### COMMISSION INITIATED ITEMS

### STAFF COMMENTS

### FUTURE ITEMS

1. SCOOTER AGREEMENT DISCUSSION

### ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING IS FEBRUARY 6, 2019

## Traffic Work Order Log 2019

Approved or completed since last Traffic Commission Meeting, December 5, 2018

Project Action/Description and Location

|  |                                  |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Request for crosswalk  | Highwood Park Parking Lot        |
| Request to add cross traffic does not stop sign                        | 4 <sup>th</sup> Street at Fresno |
| Request to reduce loading zone at Springs to 22ft in front of Ped Gate | 8070 Orange Avenue               |
| Request for red curb   | 3747 King Street                 |

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| <b>Traffic Calming Status: Update 12-27-2018</b> |
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| Street        | Status                            | Neighborhood Meeting Date/Status                          | Conceptual Design Date | Final Design Date | Neighborhood Design Notification and Survey |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Howell Drive  | Phase III Construction            | Awaiting City Council Approval for Phase III Construction | 4/18/2018              | 7/18/2018         | July 18th Meeting                           |
| Stanford Ave  | Phase III Construction            | Awaiting City Council Approval for Phase III Construction | 7/5/2018               | 9/13/2018         | Sept 13th Meeting                           |
| Glen Street   | Phase I Design and Implementation | Deferred for updated counts (02/2019)                     |                        |                   |   |
| Violet Street | Phase I Design and Implementation | Postponed (03/2019)                                       | 7/2/2018               | 7/2/2018          |   |

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the La Mesa Traffic Commission  
Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.  
City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California

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The Agenda for this meeting was posted on November 29, 2018.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL: TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

PRESENT: Chair Calandra; Vice Chair Krulikowski; Commissioners Paden; Ortega, Justice

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Director of Public Works/City Engineer Richard Leja; Engineering Project Manager Jeff Manchester; Police Lieutenant Stoney; Fire Chief Manns; Administrative Coordinator Noemi Becerra; Administrative Office Assistant Carla Vaughn, Associate Engineer Michael Kinnard;

**INVOCATION** – COMMISSIONER PADEN

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

NONE

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**1. TRAFFIC ACTION ITEMS SINCE PREVIOUS TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING**

Mr. Manchester reported on the two items on the Traffic Work Order Log that were approved or completed since the November 7, 2018, Traffic Commission meeting (See agenda attachment – Traffic Work Order Log 2018). Commission questions and discussion followed regarding the traffic action items.

**2. TRAFFIC CALMING UPDATE**

Mr. Manchester gave an update on the status of the traffic calming as of November 26, 2018 (See agenda attachment – Traffic Calming Status: Update 11-26-18). Commission questions and discussion followed regarding the traffic calming update.

**3. DOCKLESS BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS REGULATION**

Director Leja discussed the November 27, 2018, City Council Report, “Direction Regarding the Regulation of Dockless Bicycles and Scooters”. He reported that

City Council chose Policy Option 2, Non-Exclusive Pilot Program for Companies to Operate in Specific Guidelines. Vice Chair Krulikowski stated that this item is contradictory to item 7 on today's agenda, the Vision Zero Implementation Framework. Considerable discussion followed regarding the dockless bicycles and scooter regulation and safety concerns.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – (TOTAL TIME – 15 MINUTES)**

Larry George, 4296 Harbinson Drive

Mr. George requests Harbinson Drive be added to a future Traffic Commission agenda. He's resided at this address for over 10 years and feels speeding on the street has gotten worse. He wants more speed humps on Harbinson Drive.

Ray McEdwards, 7146 Colony Road

Mr. McEdwards stated he is concerned about the diversion of traffic from Stanford Avenue onto Colony Road due the installation of speed humps on Stanford Avenue. He is collecting petitions to request traffic calming on Colony Road due to speeding and high traffic volumes. He requests traffic counts on Colony Road before and after the speed humps go in on Stanford Avenue so that residents have accurate speed and volume data.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Commissioner Ortega inquired about the procedures in place for requests made during public comment. Director Leja explained that any item presented during public comment is evaluated and the requestor gets a direct response from staff. If the request requires a Commission decision, then the item is brought to the Traffic Commission as a future action item.

**NEW BUSINESS (ACTION)**

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 7, 2018 TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING**

**ACTION:** Vice Chair Krulikowski moved to approve the minutes with the following amendment "Considerable Discussion followed about the current threshold not representing a sufficient number of residents. This has caused a number of problems concerns in the past." Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion which carried 5-0 .

**AYES:** Chair Calandra, Vice Chair Krulikowski, Commissioners Ortega, Paden, Justice

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAINED:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**5. REQUEST FOR REMOVAL OF CRESTHAVEN DRIVE FROM TRAFFIC CALMING**

Mr. Manchester reported that staff is recommending the removal of Cresthaven Drive from Quadrant 4 of the Neighborhood Traffic Calming lists. He stated that traffic counts, performed in late October, showed 85% of traffic was traveling at 24mph. He also stated that residents were notified on November 1, 2018. Vice Chair Krulikowski commented that the No Outlet Sign and post are in disrepair and maintenance of the sign is needed. Chair Calandra asked if staff has received any comments from residents of Cresthaven Drive. Mr. Kinnard, Associate Engineer responded that one resident has complained that there is still some speeding. He confirmed that two studies have showed the average speed is 24mph. Commission questions and discussion followed regarding this item.

**ACTION:** Vice Chair Krulikowski moved to approve the removal of Cresthaven Drive from Quadrant 4 of the Neighborhood Traffic Calming list. Chair Calandra seconded the motion which carried 5-0.

**AYES:** Chair Calandra, Vice Chair Krulikowski, Commissioners Ortega, Paden, Justice

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAINED:** None

**ABSENT:** None

## **6. ALL-WAY STOP EVALUATION AT OLIVE AVENUE & JR HIGH DRIVE**

Director Leja presented the results of the All-Way Stop Control Investigation performed at Junior High Drive and Olive Avenue. The study finds, per City regulations, a stop sign is warranted at this sight. He stated the high pedestrian volume is due to the proximity of the schools. Vice Chair Krulikowski raised a secondary concern that there is a pedestrian loading zone in front of the Junior High school and school officials are putting out bus zone signs when needed. He requests staff review this issue and return the item to the Commission if necessary to establish official and enforceable traffic control measures. Commission questions and considerable discussion followed regarding school safety and City's response to traffic issues in the area.

**ACTION:** Chair Calandra moved to recommend to Council the installation of a three way stop at the intersection of Olive and Junior High. Vice Chair Krulikowski seconded the motion which carried 5-0.

**AYES:** Chair Calandra, Vice Chair Krulikowski, Commissioners Ortega, Paden, Justice

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAINED:** None

**ABSENT:** None

## **7. VISION ZERO IMPLEMENTATION FRAMEWORK DISCUSSION**

Director Leja stated City Council has adopted a Vision Zero goal for the City. He presented a draft policy as a starting point for future implementation of Vision Zero. Director Leja asked the Commission to serve as the public body for the Vision Zero

Policy from implementation to continuous monitoring of the Policy. Commission questions and discussion followed regarding the Commissions role in the Vision Zero Policy.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Ortega moved to approve the Traffic Commission overseeing the Vision Zero policy for the City of La Mesa and include it in its 2019 Work Plan. Commissioner Justice seconded the motion which carried 5-0.

**AYES:** Chair Calandra, Vice Chair Krulikowski, Commissioners Ortega, Paden, Justice

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAINED:** None

**ABSENT:** None

## **8. TRAFFIC COMMISSION WORK PLAN 2019**

Director Leja presented the current Work Plan to the Commission. He asked what objectives and commitments to improving the City would the Commission like to report to Council.

Dorcas Hermsmeir, 4827 Beaumont Drive

Mrs. Hermsmeier spoke about the traffic calming measures implemented in different cities surrounding the City of La Mesa, specifically relating to speed bumps and speed tables.

Director Leja stated that the Chair would make the report to Council during the first meeting in February 2019. Considerable discussion followed regarding 2019 Traffic Commission Work Plan.

**ACTION:** Vice Chair Krulukowski moved to add the following to the 2019 Traffic Commission Work Plan:

1. Continuation of the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program implementation and program adjustments
2. Vision Safety Zone implementation and monitoring
3. Permit Parking Policy implementation and monitoring
4. Vision Zero policy development and monitoring
5. Regular business of the Traffic Commission

Commissioner Justice seconded the motion which carried 5-0.

**AYES:** Chair Calandra, Vice Chair Krulikowski, Commissioners Ortega, Paden, Justice

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAINED:** None

**ABSENT:** None



**9. APPROVAL OF MOTION TO CANCEL THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 2, 2019 AND SCHEDULE A SPECIAL MEETING JANUARY 9, 2019.**

Vice Chair Krulikowski asked staff to provide a tentative schedule through January 2020 for planning purposes.

**ACTION:** Chair Ortega moved to approve the cancellation of the Regular Traffic Commission meeting scheduled for January 2, 2019, and schedule a Special Meeting January 9, 2019. Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion which carried 5-0.

**AYES:** Chair Calandra, Vice Chair Krulikowski, Commissioners Ortega, Paden, Justice

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAINED:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**COMMISSION INITIATED ITEMS**

NONE

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Director Leja wished the Commission Happy Holidays and thanked them for their commitment.

**FUTURE ITEMS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING IS JANUARY 9, 2019**

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.



## TRAFFIC COMMISSION

### Work Plan FY2019

#### Goals should be consistent with the City's goals:

- Safe Community
- Maintain a Financially Sound and Affordable City Government
- Continue to Improve High Quality Municipal Services
- Revitalize Neighborhoods and Corridors
- Enhanced Recreation and Quality of Life Opportunities
- Ensure Safe and Affordable Homes for All Current and Future Residents

**Staffing Department:** Public Works Department – Traffic Engineering Department

| GOALS   | DUE DATE | TRACKING MILESTONES | STATUS |
|---|----------|---------------------|--------|
| 1. Continuation of the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program implementation and program adjustments | Ongoing  |                     |        |
| 2. Vision Safety Zone implementation and monitoring   | Ongoing  |                     |        |
| 3. Permit Parking Policy implementation and monitoring  | Ongoing  |                     |        |
| 4. Vision Zero policy development and monitoring  | Ongoing  |                     |        |
| 5. Regular business of the Traffic Commission   | Ongoing  |                     |        |

#### La Mesa Municipal Code:

12.08.120 - Traffic commission—Powers and duties.

The traffic commission shall exercise the powers and duties as provided in this title and in the traffic ordinances of the city. In addition, the commission may approve other traffic issues as directed by the city council of the city of La Mesa and as set forth within the organization, rules, and procedures of the traffic commission.

Whenever the traffic commission is required or authorized to place or maintain official traffic control devices, said commission may cause such devices to be placed or maintained.

It shall be the further duty of the traffic commission to serve as an advisory board to the city council on matters relating to traffic issues that require city council approval as provided in the traffic ordinances of the city.