CITY OF SAN FERNANDO TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES

June 15, 2011

***THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION & SAFETY COMMISSION. ***

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Commissioner Ralph Perez called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Public Works Office Specialist, Elizabeth Salazar, called the roll call.

The following persons were recorded as present:

PRESENT: Commissioner Phillip Ballin (S. Ballin)

Commissioner David Mendoza (Lopez) Commissioner Ralph Perez (Esqueda)

Commissioner Angel Zobel-Rodríguez (De La Torre)

ALSO PRESENT: PW Director, Ron Ruiz

Public Works Office Specialist, Elizabeth Salazar

Police Sergeant, Nichole Hanchett

ABSENT:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Ballin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Zobel-Rodriguez motioned to approve the Transportation & Safety Commission agenda for June 15, 2011. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mendoza. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Commissioner Zobel-Rodriguez motioned to approve the meeting minutes for the May 18, 2011, Transportation & Safety Commission meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mendoza. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

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None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair for the Transportation & Safety Commission- The Commission motioned to move this item until the 5th Commissioner is appointed by Mayor Mario Hernández. Item to be continued.
- 2. **Nueva Esperanza Charter School-** Mr. Ruiz notified the Commission that Nueva Esperanza Charter School's approval of the Transportation Management Plan is still in progress, and that it should be finalized by the next Transportation & Safety meeting of July 20, 2011. Mr. Ruiz also informed the Commission that the Certificate of Occupancy has not been finalized due to construction issues. Therefore, Nueva Esperanza Charter School will not open its doors as planned. Item to be continued.
- 3. **Morningside Elementary School Loading Zone-** Mr. Ruiz informed the Commission that the signs for the proposed loading zone at Morningside Elementary School have been installed. Mr. Ruiz also notified the Commission that he has not noticed that Morningside has implemented their valet parking. However, the Commission is concerned that when Morningside Elementary School does implement their valet parking, that the volunteers receive some type of training. Item to be continued.
- 4. **Speed Limit Signs and Speed Humps on Celis St. between Mission Blvd / Maclay Ave** Mr. Ruiz notified the Commission that the counters are still broken, therefore he continued to have limited data.

Mr. Ruiz informed the Commission that based on the data that was able to be collected, the vehicles seem to be driving within the speed limit. Mr. Ruiz also informed the Commission that the average maximum speed limit is 20.9 and the minimum speed limit is 18.8 miles per hour.

Mr. Ruiz recommends that the speed limit signs and speed humps on Celis Street between Mission Blvd and Maclay Ave are not necessary; therefore they should not be installed. Mr. Ruiz believes that if the speed limit signs are installed, that it may encourage drivers to drive above the speed limit.

Sergeant Hanchett reported to the Commission that based on the data collected since 2006, there has only been a few collisions reported, but none were speed related.

Therefore, the Commission feels comfortable not installing any speed limit signs. Item to be removed.

5. **Commission Task List** – Commissioners discussed the task list with staff.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION

None.

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STAFF COMMUNICATION

Sergeant Hanchett informed the Commission that the radar trailer was installed between O'Melveny and Workman for several weeks. Sergeant Hanchett also informed the Commission that there was no speeding citation tickets issued.

Sergeant Hanchett informed the Commission that the Neighborhood watch requested to add Brand and O'Melveny to the Transportation & Safety Commission Agenda in order to discuss the installation of a possible traffic signal.

Sergeant Hanchett invited the Commission to the next Neighborhood Watch meeting on June 24, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. at Las Palmas Park.

Ron Ruiz informed the Commission of the upcoming "Project Pothole" for the month of July. Mr. Ruiz also advised the Commission that one of the streets that will first be worked on will be Glenoaks Boulevard, between Maclay and Hubbard, and the expected completion week will be the 1st week of July.

ADJOURNMENT

By consensus, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.