

**MINUTES
SPECIAL TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
JUNE 17, 2014**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson Hayes called the Traffic Commission meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Berg (absent-excused); Vice Chairperson Hayes;
Commissioners Martinez; Moore, and Radoumis

Also Present: Tom Lopez, Consultant Traffic Engineer; Sgt. Lawson Whittier Police
Department

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Vice Chair Hayes announced that this is the time when comments may be made by interested persons on matters not on the agenda having to do with City traffic related business.

There being no one person to address the Commission, Oral Communications were closed at 6:04 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Traffic Bureau Report – May 2014

Sgt. Lawson reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of May 2014. The report reflects 45 collisions, which is a decrease of six (6) compared to 51 in May 2013. There was one (1) collision involving person driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; one (1) pedestrian and no bicycle collisions. There were nine (9) hit-and-run collisions and two (2) collisions involving damage to city property reported. The three high collision intersections for the month were Carmenita Road/Telegraph Road (1); Claymore Street/Jersey Avenue (1) and Florence Avenue/Hathaway Drive (1);

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to receive and file the report for May 2014; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Radoumis and was approved 4-0 by the Traffic Commission.

5. Request for Modification of Parking Restrictions on Burke Street East of Sorensen Avenue and Sorensen Avenue Southeast of Burke Street.

Mr. Lopez introduced Ms. Denise Wright, the facility manager for Phillips Industries, who was in the audience to answer any questions that the Commission may have about Phillips Industries parking situation. He then presented the item and gave a brief history of this area. He indicated that the request to remove existing parking restrictions on both

Burke Street and Sorensen Avenue could be accommodated as long as parking restrictions were maintained adjacent to existing driveways and large trucks were not allowed to park in these areas.

Commissioner Radoumis asked Ms. Wright if the new changes to diesel regulations would impact any of the companies' products. She said that she didn't think that any of Phillips Industries products would be affected by the changes.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Commissioner Martinez and was seconded by Commissioner Moore. The motion carried 4 to 0. The Commission thanked Ms. Wright for attending the meeting.

6. Request for Modification of Parking Restrictions on Arctic Circle East of Shoemaker Avenue

Mr. Lopez presented the item and noted that Bumble Bee Foods had experienced an increase in their workforce similar to Phillips Industries and was having parking issues especially with their 4:00 am shift. Again, he said that the request to remove existing parking restrictions on the north side of Arctic Circle could be accommodated as long as parking restrictions were maintained adjacent to existing driveways and large trucks were not allowed to park in these areas.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Commissioner Moore and was seconded by Commissioner Martinez. The motion carried 4 to 0.

7. Request for Parking Restrictions on Marquardt Avenue South of Excelsior Drive

The item was presented by Mr. Lopez. He indicated that the QSPAC Industries, Inc. located at 15020 Marquardt Avenue was experiencing various problems with trucks parking in front of their business. These included cleaning out of the trucks and leaving the trash and debris in the street or landscaped areas, discarding fast food packaging and liquor containers in the landscaping and using the landscaped areas as restroom facilities.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Commissioner Moore and was seconded by Commissioner Radoumis. The motion carried 4 to 0.

8. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Moore made a motion to approve the minutes for May 15, 2014; Commissioner Radoumis seconded the motion and was approved 4 to 0 by the Traffic Commission.

9. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Commission

Commissioner Moore complimented Commissioner Hayes for his involvement with the Art Fest and said it was a very nice event.

Vice Chairperson Hayes said that the Art Fest raised about \$12,000 and thanked all of the hard work done by City staff that helped to make it a successful event.

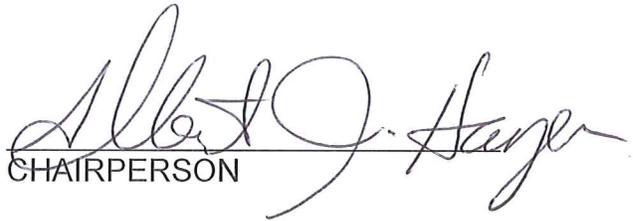
Commissioner Radoumis noted that the Sister City Committee will be hosting their fireworks booth on Washington Boulevard in front of the Smart and Final Store. He said that this is an annual fundraiser and the proceeds are used to send Santa Fe Springs High School students to Germany as part of a student exchange program.

Staff

Mr. Lopez informed the Commission that the Union Pacific grade crossing on Florence Avenue north of Pioneer Boulevard was finally going to be repaired. The work would begin on Monday, June 23rd and be completed by Tuesday, June 24th. He also told the Commission that all of the traffic on Valley View Avenue at Stage Road has been routed under the new bridge and work continues on this project.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, Vice Chair Hayes adjourned the meeting at 6:29 PM.


CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST: 

SECRETARY