

SPECIAL MEETING of the TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES June 6, 2022

The special meeting of the Transportation Commission of the City of Rialto was held in the City Council Chambers located at 150 South Palm Avenue, Rialto, CA 92376, on Monday, June 6, 2022.

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This meeting was in accordance with the provision of the **Government Code §54956** of the State of California.

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Allan Kirst called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

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ROLL CALL

The roll call was taken by Commission Clerk, Michele Aguirre.

Present: Chairperson Allan Kirst
Vice-Chairperson Joshua Holeman
Commissioner Kelvin Moore

Absent: Mayor Deborah Robertson
Commissioner Stacy Augustine
Commissioner Johan Rodriguez

City Staff Present: Marcus Fuller, Acting City Engineer
Justin Schlaefli, Consultant Traffic Engineer, TKE Engineering

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES Regular Meeting of January 5, 2022

- ◆ The minutes from the January 5th meeting were review by the Commission and approved as written.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 5th meeting as written.
- ◆ Commissioner Moore seconded the motion.
- ◆ The motion was carried to approve the minutes from the January 5, 2022, meeting as written.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT LIAISON REPORT

Sergeant Daniel Smith reported on the following items:

- ◆ Speed Trailer, the new software being used with it and the benefits it brings.
- ◆ Discussions to add additional commercial enforcement.

- ◆ Issues with street racing.
 - Working with OTS to reroute funds to aid with this issue.
 - Working together with other jurisdictions to receive aid and provide aid in those other jurisdictions with this issue.
 - Effective strategies used to combat the issues.
 - How the fatalities have decreased since 2021.

Commissioner Questions/Comments/Concerns

Sergeant Smith answered questions and responded to comments, concerns and requests regarding:

- ◆ Chairperson Kirst requested that the Commercial Enforcement understand and convey what the “Most Direct Route” means. He also requested to ensure that trucks are staying off Riverside Avenue especially with all the work being done.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman asked how many Traffic Officers there were.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman asked about reporting abandoned vehicles.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman asked about big rigs parking in neighborhoods and if that was against the law. Sergeant Smith advised that if the big rigs are on the street report to Police Department and if they in driveways that could be reported to Community Compliance.

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No Report

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RUSD LIAISON REPORT

NEW BUSINESS

Engineering and Traffic Survey (E&TS)

Marcus Fuller introduced the item, gave a brief background on the item, discussed the recent change to legislation as of January 1, 2022, and introduced John Dorado of ADVANTEC.

Dorado provided a presentation on the item and discussed what tasks were completed to conduct these surveys.

Questions & Comments

Dorado answered questions and responded to comments regarding:

- ◆ If the changed locations would be posted on all locations.
- ◆ If the Police Department would be providing enforcement for this.
 - Sergeant Daniel Smith discussed what measures the Police Department would be taking to provide education and enforcement.

- ◆ Commented on the fact that residents would be attending City Council meetings to complain about the tickets received.
- ◆ How these changes would be communicated to the residents.

Concerns

- ◆ Chairperson Kirst expressed concern with the prima facia where there was a 15 MPH decrease on certain roads and indicated that this was very drastic cut in speed limits. He advised that he did not believe anyone would follow this change.

Suggestions/Requests/Recommendations

- ◆ Chairperson Kirst advised that he could not support the 15 MPH reduction recommendation.
- ◆ Commissioner Moore requested to ensure that the Police Department does provide enforcement to help the change.
 - Sergeant Smith provided an explanation on how citing would take place in the beginning of the change.

Action

- ◆ Commissioner Moore motioned to approve staff's recommendations.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman seconded the motion.
- ◆ Chairperson Kirst voted nay on the item.
- ◆ The item was approved by a 2-1 vote.

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Traffic Impact Analysis – Orbis Rialto II – Northwest Corner of Renaissance Parkway at Locust Avenue

Schlaefli reviewed that staff report and recommendations for this item.

Questions & Comments

Schlaefli answered questions and responded to comments regarding:

- ◆ Why in Table 6.3, the project conducted an analysis of Cedar and the I-10 freeway.
- ◆ If there was way to get the developer to place a driveway on Locust Avenue instead of having both on Alder Avenue.
- ◆ What kind of warehouse was going in there.
- ◆ If there was confidence given in the trip generation for the project.
- ◆ If there would be a median, if all driveways would be right in/out or if trucks would be crossing traffic.
- ◆ Where the trucks would enter for driveway #2.
- ◆ If the idea is to promote traffic west to Ayala Drive to satisfy driveway #2.

- ◆ If the intersection of Locust Avenue and Renaissance Parkway would be improved at the northwest corner.
 - A discussion ensued regarding the truck route that would be used to enter driveway 2. Jose Aleri of Urban Crossroads addressed the Commission to provide clarification on the route.
- ◆ What the timeline for this development was.

Concerns

- ◆ Chairperson Kirst expressed concern with the truck traffic being pushed out onto Renaissance Parkway.
- ◆ Chairperson Kirst

Suggestions/Requests/Recommendations

- ◆ Chairperson Kirst recommended to move driveway #2 to the back side of the property. Schlaefli advised that due to tight Caltrans right-of-way cannot move driveway #2.
- ◆ Chairperson Kirst recommended that improvements be made to the northwest corner of Locust Avenue and Renaissance Parkway to allow for trucks to turn.

Action

- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman made a motion to approve staff's recommendations with the condition for approval to have the intersection of Locust Avenue and Renaissance Parkway checked to see if there is a 50-foot radius. If the radius is less than 50 feet, recommend improvements be made to that intersection to accommodate the trucks turning.
- ◆ Commissioner Moore seconded the motion
- ◆ All voted in favor of approving staff's recommendations with the condition for approval to have the intersection of Locust Avenue and Renaissance Parkway checked to see if there is a 50-foot radius. If the radius is less than 50 feet, recommend improvements be made to that intersection to accommodate the trucks turning.

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Traffic Impact Analysis – Birtcher Logistics – Northwest Corner of Valley Boulevard and Willow Avenue

Schlaefli reviewed that staff report and recommendations for this item.

Questions & Comments

Schlaefli answered questions and responded to comments regarding:

- ◆ Comment regarding how the trip reduction would help the project.
- ◆ Where the City limit ends near this project.

- ◆ If the fair share includes improvements for Riverside Avenue and the I-10 freeway.

Concerns

- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman expressed concern with the parking and carpool options and asked if there was a way to enforce the developer to install those options as without them, it would cause an increase in traffic to an area that already has congestion issues.
- ◆ Chairperson Kirst expressed concern with the adequacy of the fair share for the project.
- ◆ Chairperson Kirst expressed concern with the increase in bottle necks at Riverside Avenue and at Cedar Avenue interchanges.

Suggestions/Requests/Recommendations

- ◆ Chairperson Kirst requested to see Valley Boulevard widened to Lilac Avenue completed to aid with the congestion.
- ◆ Chairperson Kirst suggested starting to collect funds from project to “bank roll” for future projects as improvements are needed.

Action

- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman made a motion to approve staff's recommendations.
- ◆ Commissioner Moore seconded the motion
- ◆ All voted in favor of approving staff recommendations.

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ENGINEER'S REPORT

Fuller provided updates on the following:

- ◆ Status of the Alder Avenue/SR210 Project.
- ◆ Riverside Bridge over UPRR Project
- ◆ Riverside Avenue Projects (North, Central & South)

Questions/Comments/Requests

- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman requested an update on the Riverside and Sierra Avenues project.
- ◆ Commission Moore asked if there was a plan for Casa Grande Street.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman advised that there was a need for a major street improvement for Locust Avenue.
- ◆ Chairperson Kirst requested that a moratorium be placed on streets that are being repaired to stop from having them dug up after improvement work was completed.

Actions

- ◆ Marcus requested to let Amparo Corona and Art Cervantes know that Harris & Associates needs to identify a project for the entire Locust Avenue corridor.
- ◆ Marcus advised he would task Schlaefli to do a study on all signal timings and coordinations to see what was needed.

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The following removals were made to the Future Agenda Items:

- ◆ Remove Riverside Avenue Bridge Widening Over the UPRR
- ◆ Remove Alder Avenue/SR-210 – Proposed Feasibility Study

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- ◆ Commissioner Moore – No Report
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman – No Report
- ◆ Chairperson Kirst – No Report

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- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Holeman made a motion to adjourn.
- ◆ Commissioner Moore seconded the motion.
- ◆ The motion was carried, and the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT