

REGULAR MEETING of the TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES September 5, 2018

The regular meeting of the Transportation Commission of the City of Rialto was held in the City Council Chambers located at 150 South Palm Avenue, Rialto, California 92376, on Wednesday, September 5, 2018.

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CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson Allan Kirst called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Allan Kirst, Willa Henshaw, John Plasencia, Joshua Holeman and Johan Rodriguez. Commissioner Moore provided notification that he would be absent. City Staff/Liaisons present: Robert Eisenbeisz, Public Works Director/City Engineer; Azzam Jabsheh, Traffic Engineer; Scott Gaspar, Rialto Police Department; and Michele Aguirre, Commission Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of June 6, 2018

- ◆ The minutes from the June 6th meeting were reviewed by the Commission and approved with corrections given.
- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia made a motion to approve the minutes from June 6th with corrections given.
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman seconded the motion.
- ◆ The motion was carried to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2018 meeting with corrections given.

Special Meeting of July 12, 2018

- ◆ The minutes from the July 12th special meeting were reviewed by the Commission and approved as written.
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman made a motion to approve the minutes from July 12th as written.
- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia seconded the motion.
- ◆ The motion was carried to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2018 special meeting as written.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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POLICE DEPARTMENT LIAISON REPORT

Officer Scott Gaspar reported and answered questions on the following items:

- ◆ DUI Check Point conducting at Valley Boulevard and Lilac Avenue, which resulted in one (1) arrest and numerous citations.
- ◆ Commercial Enforcement Check Point conducted at Riverside and Slover Avenues, which resulted in 39 citations and 8 vehicles being taken out of service.
- ◆ OTS Grant for Pedestrian Safety
- ◆ School Sweeps were being scheduled
- ◆ Pepper Avenue/Winchester Drive Enforcement

- ◆ Continued Speeding Issues in Las Colinas Area and plan for resolution. Plan will be presented at the September 18th Area Command meeting at Sunrise Church.

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RUSD LIAISON REPORT

No Report.

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NEW BUSINESS

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Request to Establish a No Parking Zone on the West Side of Lilac Avenue from Winchester Drive Approximately 50-feet North to Improve Intersection Sight Distance

Azzam Jabsheh reviewed the staff report and recommendations for the item.

Questions & Comments

Jabsheh answered questions and responded to comments from the Commission with regard to:

- ◆ If there have been a lot of accidents or complaints at the intersection.

Public Comment

Ms. Raquel Raden, a 40-year resident, addresses the Commission to express her support for the no parking zone and provide her reasons for the support.

Action

- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia made a motion to concur with staff's recommendation to establish a No Parking Zone on the west side of Lilac Avenue from Winchester Drive to approximately 50-feet north to improve intersection sight distance.
- ◆ Commissioner Henshaw seconded the motion.
- ◆ All voted in favor of the motion to concur with staff's recommendation to establish a No Parking Zone on the west side of Lilac Avenue from Winchester Drive to approximately 50-feet north to improve intersection sight distance.

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Focused Traffic Impact Analysis – Warehouse Development on the Northwest Corner of Baseline Road and Tamarind Avenue

Gene Klatt reviewed the staff report and recommendations for the item.

Questions & Comments

Klatt answered questions and responded to comments from the Commission with regard to:

- ◆ If the business type was known.
- ◆ Alder Avenue and if it would be widened to six (6) lanes in the future.
 - Klatt provided a brief history on what the plan was for Alder Avenue.
- ◆ Who would pay for the six (6) lanes on Alder Avenue and if it was included in the TIA.
- ◆ If the widening of Alder Avenue should be included as part of the TIA
 - Eisenbeisz provided an explanation of the process that would need to take place in order to have Alder Avenue widened.
- ◆ If the widening to six (6) lanes was on Baseline Road or Alder Avenue or both.
- ◆ If money to Caltrans would be applied to the improvements planned for Alder Avenue and SR-210.

Concerns

- ◆ Commissioner Henshaw expressed concern with the issue that there are more warehouses being built in the area that have large trucks which would and are currently impacting the area and the need to find funding to construct the widening. She stated that should be done before more warehouses are approved.

Suggestions, Requests or Recommendations

- ◆ Vice Chairperson Kirst recommended that Baseline Road and Alder Avenue be re-designated to six (6) lanes due to the increase in development.

Action

- ◆ Commissioner Henshaw made a motion to accept staff's recommendation with the inclusion of:
 - Acquiring funding for the widening of Alder Avenue and Baseline Road to six (6) lanes
 - Re-designation of routes for Alder Avenue and Baseline Road to six (6) lanes.
 - The establishment of No Parking for the area.
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman seconded the motion.
- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia voted against the item, as there is not enough funding to widen the roads in the future.
- ◆ Eisenbeisz suggested recommending a fair share based on a percentage for the widening.
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman made that a formal recommendation.
- ◆ All voted in favor of the motion to accept staff's recommendation with the inclusion of:
 - Acquiring funding for the widening of Alder Avenue and Baseline Road to six (6) lanes.
 - Re-designation of routes for Alder Avenue and Baseline Road to six (6) lanes.
 - The establishment of No Parking for the area.
 - Having a fair share contribution based on a percentage for the widening.

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Focused Traffic Impact Analysis – Warehouse Development on the Northwest Corner of Baseline Road and Alder Avenue

Gene Klatt reviewed the staff report and recommendations for the item.

Questions & Comments

Klatt and Eisenbeisz answered questions and responded to comments from the Commission with regard to:

- ◆ If the distance between Alder Avenue and the driveway west of Alder Avenue was enough for trucks coming in so there would not be a backup.
- ◆ If the project had a 25-foot setback.
- ◆ What the preferred truck route would be.
- ◆ If the fair share contribution would include City of Fontana and Caltrans.

Suggestions, Requests or Recommendations

- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Kirst requested to establish that there would be No Parking on Alder Avenue and Baseline Road.

Action

- ◆ Commissioner Holeman made a motion to accept the final conditions, all recommendations and fair share contributions as stated with the inclusion of the establishment of No Parking for the area around the development.
- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia seconded the motion.
- ◆ All voted in favor of the motion to accept the final conditions, all recommendations and fair share contributions as stated with the inclusion of the establishment of No Parking for the area around the development.

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Focused Traffic Impact Analysis – CDRE Holdings 11, LLC Project Warehouse Development on the North Side of Baseline Road between Tamarind and Palmetto Avenues

Gene Klatt reviewed the staff report and recommendations for the item. Eisenbeisz added that with regard to the fair share contribution for Alder Avenue, because the entry/exit is right in/out only on Baseline Road, there could be a less percentage of trips on Alder Avenue but would work through those numbers.

Questions & Comments

Klatt, Eisenbeisz and Karl Ballard of Kunzman Associates, Inc. answered questions and responded to comments from the Commission with regard to:

- ◆ If Palmetto Avenue was in the City of Fontana.
- ◆ If widening was already taking place according to the figure 2 site plan.
- ◆ What type of business would be going into the building.
- ◆ If the trucks exiting the development would encroach into the second lane on Baseline Road.

Concerns

- ◆ Commissioner Holeman expressed concern with trucks exiting the development that could affect traffic on Baseline Road.

Action

- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia made a motion to accept the final conditions, all recommendations and fair share contributions as stated with the inclusion of reviewing the data to determine if a fair share contribution would be necessary for the Alder Avenue widening.
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman seconded the motion.
- ◆ All voted in favor of the motion to accept the final conditions, all recommendations and fair share contributions as stated with the inclusion of reviewing the data to determine if a fair share contribution would be necessary for the Alder Avenue widening.

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Selection of a New Transportation Commission Chairperson and Vice- Chairperson

- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia made a motion to select Allan Kirst as the new Chairperson for the Commission.
- ◆ Commissioner Henshaw seconded the motion.
- ◆ All voted in favor of selecting Allan Kirst as the new Chairperson of the Commission.

- ◆ Commissioner Holeman made a motion to select Willa Henshaw as the new Vice-Chair for the Commission.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Kirst seconded the motion.
- ◆ All voted in favor of selecting Willa Henshaw as the Vice-Chairperson of the Commission.

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ENGINEER'S REPORT

Eisenbeisz reported on and answered questions on the following items:

- ◆ Project at El Rivino and Detour Plan
- ◆ Traffic Signal Intersection Improvements
- ◆ Advertising for the next Pavement Project which includes
 - Rialto Avenue between Riverside and Sycamore Avenues
 - Valley Boulevard between Lilac and Cactus Avenues
 - Linden Avenue south of Foothill Boulevard
- ◆ Metrolink South Parking Lot Expansion on the south side of the tracks
- ◆ Cedar Avenue Sidewalk Improvements
- ◆ Randall Avenue and Alder Avenue Widenings

Questions, Comments & Requests

- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia asked what the problem was with the paving on Willow Avenue.
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman asked if work on Locust Avenue from Casmalia Street north was to widen the street.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Kirst:
 - Commented on the meeting he attend regarding the Target issue on Casa Grande Street and the statement about placing barricades to narrow Casa Grande Street as part of the road diet. Eisenbeisz advised would follow up on this issue.
 - Mentioned that at the same meeting a suggesting came up to place speed humps on Palmetto Avenue to stop the speeding from Casa Grande Street to Terra Vista Avenue.
 - Requested to have the information from at the September 18th Area Command brought back to the Commission.
 - Advised that the PD was pushing to have a speed zone survey completed on Pepper Avenue from Baseline Road to SR-210. Eisenbeisz advised he would coordinate with the PD on this.

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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No new additions or deletions.

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- ◆ Commissioner Henshaw asked if there were any plans to close off Easton Street once the Renaissance Parkway was opened east of Ayala Drive. Eisenbeisz advised he would monitor the speeds in that area.
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman asked about the incorporation of County islands to the City of Rialto as part of the Lytle Creek Ranch Project. Eisenbeisz advised that he would get a status on this.
- ◆ Vice Chairperson Kirst – No Report
- ◆ Commissioner Rodriguez – No Report
- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia – No Report

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ADJOURNMENT

- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- ◆ Commissioner Henshaw seconded the motion.
- ◆ The motion was carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.