Minutes of August 27, 2019 Regular Meeting

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

DATE & TIME: August 27, 2019: 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Council Chamber – City Hall – 300 Forest Avenue

MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER 4:00. In attendance were Commissioners Terry, Munoz-Flores, Nodzenski, Petersen, Prock, and Kim. Absent was Commissioner Kubica. Also in attendance: Mayor Bill Peake, PGPD Chief Madalone, PGPD Commander Lakind, PG Traffic Engineer Bill Silva, PG Public Works Director Daniel Gho, Councilman Joe Amelio, and Deputy City Attorney Michael Laredo. Members of the public: Mike Inby, Joaquin Sullivan, Gino Garcia, Shawn Wilson.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Unanimous

3. PUBLIC COMMENT
   A. Written Communications. None.
   
   B. Oral Communications. Public Comment was presented by Joaquin Sullivan of Big Sur Adventures, Gino Garcia of Ecology Action, Shawn Wilson of Epicenter Cycling, and Mike Inby, cyclist.

4. COMMISSIONER AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS
   A. Announcements
      1. Minutes for this meeting are scheduled to be prepared by Linda Petersen, the Traffic Safety Commission Secretary.

   B. Staff and Commissioner’s meeting attendance of interest to this Commission
      1. Reports from any relevant meetings that occurred between July 25, 2019 and August 23, 2019: None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   A. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings
Minutes were prepared by: Linda Petersen
Action: Minutes amended to add Spazier Ave issue - approved unanimously.

6. REGULAR AGENDA:
   A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
      1. None.

   B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
      1. Status on License Plate reader vendor
         Presentation: Jocelyn Francis
         Action: Per Chief Madalone, no update at this time. Please table until
         advised by Chief Madalone.

   C. NEW BUSINESS:
      1. Presentation on E-Bikes on the Coastal Trail by Chief Madalone
         Action: Received presentation from Chief Madalone.
         Public Comment was presented by Joaquin Sullivan of Big Sur Adventures, Gino
         Garcia of Ecology Action, Shawn Wilson of Epicenter Cycling, and Mike Inby,
         cyclist. All were very informative regarding the Class 1, 2, and 3 electric bicycles.
         All discussed the importance of educating the public regarding bicycle safety and
         etiquette. There was further discussion by the commissioners. Commissioner
         Jung asked City Deputy Attorney Laredo about the City’s current code – it does
         not cover E-Bikes. Commissioner Munoz-Flores advised that our city is unique
         and suggested further study to discuss Class 1 and 2 e-bikes and their impact to
         our tourist industry. Commissioner Nodzenski has a Class 1 E-bike for his
         commute each day. He would like to see more focus placed on speed on the
         recreation trail and is against widening it. Commissioner Prock agreed saying
         that speed is the issue. He supports Class 1 and 2 and is against Class 3 e-bikes
         on the trail. Commissioner Terry uses the trail quite often, advises that the DG is
         not continuous but has an open mind to the discussion. Commissioner Petersen
         supports further study on Class 1 and 2 e-bikes on the recreation trail and is
         looking forward to the results of community meeting.
         The Chief was asked to bring back results from the Community meeting-
         informational only, as next steps will be to take this to the City Council. Chief
         Madalone agreed to update the commission.

         2. Citizen, Anissa Fuentes, concern regarding 468 Pine.
         Action: Per Mr. Silva, TE Engineer, this will be referred to code enforcement. He
         suggested that the property owner re-do the driveway, then staff can follow up
         and review.

   D. REPORTS FROM SUB-COMMITTEES:
      1. Monthly status reports (as available) None

7. ADJOURNMENT: 4:50pm

This meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are welcome to attend. The City of
Pacific Grove does not discriminate against individuals with disabilities and meetings are held in
accessible facilities.
Respectfully Submitted: Commissioner Linda Petersen

David Terry, Vice-Chairman

Approved by Commission

Date: 12-18-2019

City Staff