

CITY OF ESCONDIDO

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMISSION

July 12, 2018

The regular meeting of the Escondido Transportation and Community Safety Commission was called to order at 3:04 p.m., Thursday, by Vice Chair McManus, in the Mitchell Room, 201 North Broadway, Escondido, California.

Commissioners present: Vice Chair McManus, Commissioner Thornburgh, Commissioner Durney, Commissioner Korbecki.

Commissioners absent: Commissioner Kassebaum, Commissioner Simonson.

Staff present: Julie Procopio, Director of Engineering Services; Owen Tunnell, Assist. City Engineer, Ali Shahzad, Associate Engineer/Traffic Division; Miriam Jim, Associate Engineer, Chris Leso, Traffic Sergeant; and Kimberlianne Miller, Minutes Clerk

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Mr. John King. Barricade at 900 S. Ontario and West 9th Avenue. Mr. King expressed his opinion that the temporary barricade should be removed.

ACTION: Commissioner Durney requested staff to determine if barricade was built to be temporary or permanent. Staff to provide update at the next meeting.

MINUTES:

Moved by Commissioner McManus, seconded by Commissioner Durney, to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2018, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT ITEMS: FY18/19 Pavement Rehab and Maintenance Project - Striping cross-sections. (9 segments).

Commissioner Korbecki asked about bike buffer options and the latest Bicycle Master Plan. Miriam Jim, Associate Engineer, confirmed the bike buffer design and the 2012 Bicycle Master Plan is the latest.

ACTION:

The 1st and 2nd motions to approve by Commissioners were unanimously carried out, to approve the consent items. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2018/19 Traffic Management Projects List (TMPL)

Ms. Jim referenced the staff report and noted staff recommended the Commission approve the City of Escondido 2018 Traffic Management Projects List (TMPL).

Top two (2) projects were selected for funding and design: Glenview Elementary School Mid-block Crosswalk Improvements and Countdown Pedestrian Signals at four Intersections in School Zones. Design will be completed in Fall 2018. Implementation of the project will depend on funding availability after November 2018 election.

Mission Middle School crosswalk, traffic signal would be required per City Crosswalk Policy. Cost will exceed TMPL budget. City to coordinate with EUSD on the current campus modernization project and to determine potential funding source.

Commissioner Durney motioned to set aside \$20,000 in funding towards a pedestrian signal at Mission Middle School if district can fund the rest.

Commissioner Thornburgh asked if a pedestrian refuge can be used with a RRFB (Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons). Ms. Jim explained that policy requires analysis for a signal.

ACTION:

Moved by Commissioner Durney, seconded by Commissioner Thornburgh to approve staff's recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Before and After Travel Time report for signal timing synchronization – 2 corridors. West Valley Parkway and Bear Valley Parkway

Ms. Jim referenced the staff report and noted the results of the signal timing project.

Commissioner Thornburgh asked about the striping and signage on Via Rancho Pkwy between I-15 ramps. Ali Shahzad, Associate Engineer, responded restriping on Via Rancho Parkway is planned with pavement rehabilitation project this year and staff will evaluate any revisions to striping and signage.

Commissioner Korbecki asked if the two traffic signals at I-15/Via Rancho Parkway interchange were included in the project. Ms. Jim indicated that proposed signal timing changes for the two traffic signals were provided to Caltrans and implementation pending on Caltrans' review and approval.

Report received and filed.

3. Speed Surveys

ACTION:

The 1st and 2nd motions to approve by Commissioners were unanimously carried out, to approve staff's recommendation to recommend approval to the City Council of the updated Engineering and Traffic Surveys for new posted speeds on various street segments Citywide.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. An overview of various projects involving the City
 - a. Traffic Signals in Design
 - b. Traffic Signals

Report received.

SCHOOL AREA SAFETY:

- a. Escondido High – On-Site circulation in parking lot for Pick-up/Drop-off.
- b. Bond Projects coordination discussion at Quarterly School Zone meeting.
- c. APS ordered for Escondido High signal
- d. Countdown Ped Heads installed at the intersection at six (6) intersections

Report received.

COUNCIL ACTION: None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Mike Strong: Climate Action Plan Public Workshop will be held July 30th, 2018. Community input is requested.

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Thornburgh pointed out that some other Cities in our region have adopted a continental style pedestrian crosswalk. Our policy uses ladder style crosswalk at mid-block locations. City is using parallel lines at intersections and controlled stops. Commissioner Thornburgh requested for a Pilot project. Mr. Shahzad indicated that presently school district crossing guards like the ladder type as it provides a guided path to stay within the crosswalk, perhaps we would revisit continental style at controlled intersections in the future should they be considered at locations outside the school zone.

Commissioner Korbecki asked staff about the pylons added on City Hall frontage.

Ms. Jim explained that pylons were installed for future Class IV Cycle Track on Broadway and Valley Parkway, which is different from Class II Bike Lane.

Commissioner Thornburgh expressed his concern about east-bound cyclists and west-bound traffic on Valley Parkway and asked if adding more delineators would be beneficial. Ms. Jim explained that in the future, at project completion in November, bike lane will be better delineated. Sergeant Leso pointed out that there is a learning curve with cycle track and parking on Broadway but delineators have helped.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice Chair McManus adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting of the Commission would be held October 11, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 201 North Broadway, Escondido.

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