

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION OF  
THE CITY OF LA MIRADA**

**September 27, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Public Safety Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Johnson in Council Chambers at City Hall, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL**

Present:

Chairman Desiree Johnson  
Commissioner Amy Day  
Commissioner Mark Madison

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Commissioner Narcis Brasov

Absent:

Vice Chairman David Morfin

Staff:

Mark Stowell, Public Works Director/Engineer  
Mark Rounds, Senior Administrative Analyst  
Sergeant Busch, Sheriff's Department  
Emily Benavidez, Secretary

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A resident who identified himself as Chris addressed the Public Safety Commission. He said that he and his neighbors supported the installation of flashing beacons on Biola Avenue.

Resident Ben Arnold addressed the Public Safety Commission and spoke in favor of the installation of flashing beacons on Biola Avenue.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 28, 2018**

**Commissioner Madison moved and Commissioner Day seconded to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2018 meeting of the Public Safety Commission.**

**MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Commissioners Brasov, Day, Madison, Chairman Johnson**  
**NOES: None**  
**ABSENT: Vice Chairman Morfin**  
**ABSTAIN: None**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**2. MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT – JULY 2018**

**Commissioner Brasov moved and Commissioner Madison seconded to receive and file the Traffic Report for July 2018.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Commissioners Brasov, Day, Madison, Chairman Johnson**  
**NOES: None**  
**ABSENT: Vice Chairman Morfin**  
**ABSTAIN: None**

**4. MONTHLY CRIME REPORT – AUGUST 2018**

**Commissioner Madison moved and Commissioner Day seconded to receive and file the Crime Report for August 2018.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Commissioners Brasov, Day, Madison, Chairman Johnson**  
**NOES: None**  
**ABSENT: Vice Chairman Morfin**  
**ABSTAIN: None**

**5. MONTHLY TRAFFIC STUDY STATUS REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2018**

**Commissioner Madison moved and Chairman Johnson seconded to receive and file the Traffic Study Status Report for September 2018.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Commissioners Brasov, Day, Madison, Chairman Johnson**  
**NOES: None**  
**ABSENT: Vice Chairman Morfin**  
**ABSTAIN: None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**6. REQUEST FOR A TRAFFIC STUDY OF BIOLA AVENUE AND GARDENHILL DRIVE**

Senior Administrative Analyst Rounds introduced the item and said that a resident requested the installation of rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFBs) on Biola Avenue at Gardenhill Drive. Mr. Rounds said that the resident expressed concern with the safety of pedestrians crossing the street at the location. Mr. Rounds reported that the City also received two letters from residents supporting the installation of the RRFB's on Biola Avenue at Gardenhill Drive.

**Commissioner Day moved and Chairman Johnson seconded to assign the Traffic Engineer and Commissioner Day to study the location and report their findings at a future meeting.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Commissioners Brasov, Day, Madison, Chairman Johnson**  
**NOES: None**  
**ABSENT: Vice Chairman Morfin**  
**ABSTAIN: None**

**7. REQUEST TO PROHIBIT STOPPING ON VALLEY VIEW AVENUE AND TROJAN WAY**

Senior Administrative Analyst Rounds said the City's Traffic Engineer studied the locations.

Mr. Rounds introduced Public Works Director/City Engineer Mark Stowell.

Mr. Stowell said a recent review of the two-hour parking restriction in the Industrial Area revealed that rescinding and replacing the No Stopping Anytime prohibitions on the east side of Valley View Avenue between Alondra Boulevard and Stage Road as well as on both sides of Trojan Way between Firestone Boulevard North and Alondra Boulevard would be beneficial. He said staff also recommended No Stopping Anytime prohibitions be enacted overall on Valley View Avenue within the City of La Mirada limits between Artesia Boulevard and Imperial Highway.

Commissioner Brasov asked if the affected business owners were contacted about the proposed change to parking.

Commissioner Day mentioned that No Stopping Anytime prohibitions currently exist on Trojan Way due to the detour for the I-5 Freeway construction.

Commissioner Madison asked for clarification on the benefit of prohibiting parking on Valley View Avenue.

Chairman Johnson asked about funding for these changes.

Mr. Rounds said that business owners in the area have called the City to request no parking on the street. He said that the affected business owners were not notified of the proposed change.

Mr. Stowell said that removing the parking on Valley View Avenue would promote uninterrupted traffic flow, and removing the parking on Trojan Way would accommodate two lanes of travel in each direction. He said prohibiting parking on Valley View Avenue is a clean-up item since a new tenant is moving into the building. Mr. Stowell said that only one business would be affected. Mr. Stowell indicated that the costs for these changes would be minimal to the City.

**Commissioner Madison moved and Commissioner Brasov seconded to recommended the Public Safety Commission recommend the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City to remove the two-hour parking restriction on both sides of Trojan Way between Firestone Boulevard North and Alondra Boulevard; remove the two-hour parking restriction on the east side of Valley View Avenue between Alondra Boulevard and Stage Road; prohibit stopping on both sides of Trojan Way between Firestone Boulevard North and Alondra Boulevard; prohibit stopping on the east side of Valley View Avenue between Artesia Boulevard and Rosecrans Avenue; and prohibit stopping on both sides of Valley View Avenue between Rosecrans Avenue and Imperial Highway contingent on contacting the affected business owners.**

**MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Commissioners Brasov, Day, Madison, Chairman Johnson**  
**NOES: None**  
**ABSENT: Vice Chairman Morfin**  
**ABSTAIN: None**

**COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Johnson thanked those who attended the meeting to voice their concern. She also thanked staff and the Disaster Preparedness Steering Committee for coordinating the active shooter training on September 20.

Commissioner Madison, on behalf of the Public Safety Commission, thanked Councilmember Lewis for attending the Commission meeting.

**STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**


Senior Administrative Analyst Rounds welcomed Los Angeles County Sherriff's Department Sergeant Busch. Mr. Rounds said that in September, residents had the

opportunity to participate in the Ring Rebate Program. He said \$10,000 of City funding enabled 200 La Mirada residents to participate in the program. He also reported that the My La Mirada service request application system can be used for emergency notifications. Mr. Rounds said that Governor Brown recently signed SB 946 allowing street vending.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the Public Safety Commission adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Submitted:

  
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Emily Benavidez, Secretary

Attest:

  
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Desiree Johnson, Chairman