



**City of San Dimas**  
Public Works Department  
Traffic Safety Committee

**MEETING MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2015 at 9:30 A.M.**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL**  
**245 East Bonita Avenue, San Dimas**

Committee Members Present: Shari Garwick (Senior Engineer, Public Works Dept.), John Campbell (Street Maintenance Superintendent, Public Works Dept.), Terry Gregory (Street Maintenance Supervisor, Public Works Dept.), Mark Miller (Traffic Engineer), Deputy Paul Alaniz (San Dimas Sheriff's Dept.), Paul Thomas (Transportation Director, BUSD), Rhonda Abangan (Administrative Secretary, Public Works Dept.)

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Senior Engineer Garwick called to order at 9:35 a.m.

**#07-15-01 GAFFNEY AVE**

REQUEST FROM T. VILLARREAL, RESIDENT, to review and consider installation of speed humps to deter perceived speeding.

**DISCUSSION:**

- Item reviewed on GIS map
- SE Garwick confirmed the City's Speed Hump Policy has specific guidelines for installation. For this particular street, over half of Gaffney Ave exceeds the 5% street grade; thus speed humps would not be an appropriate calming device for this street.
- TE Miller commented that Gaffney Ave intersects with Hera Street and drivers might not know Gaffney is not a thru street. There should be a No Outlet sign posted.
- SMS Campbell confirmed there is a No Outlet bar installed on top of Gaffney sign; could consider installation of larger No Outlet signage to alert drivers (on Bonita).

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. Speed humps are not appropriate for installation on Gaffney Ave as it does not meet requirements.
2. Review/field check to install larger No Outlet sign approximately 10' north of the fire hydrant at the 542 E Bonita or sign facing north on the island on Bonita. Staff to review location.

**#07-15-02 SAN DIMAS AVE and ALLEN AVE INTERSECTION**

REQUEST FROM N. GWINN, RESIDENT, to review and consider installation right turn only striping on Allen Ave to assist with vehicles traveling straight on Allen Ave (similar to Gladstone St).

**DISCUSSION:**

- Item reviewed during field review and on GIS
- Initial review right turn only not appropriate; rather dedicated left turn lane could alleviate the traffic for vehicles driving west/east on Allen Avenue.
- TE Miller asked for accident history for intersection and recommends traffic study for intersection.
- SE Garwick asked if a left turn pocket would affect the BUSD buses during school year.
- BUSD Thomas confirmed he did not see a problem; also confirmed school starts August 24<sup>th</sup>.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. Review intersection and perform traffic counts study after August 24<sup>th</sup> (when school resumes)
2. Review collision history for last 2 years
3. Continue item to November meeting to review TE's report on feasibility of left turn pockets

**#07-15-03 SAN DIMAS AVE/VIA CATARINA/CALLE PETULA/CALLE ANDREA**

REQUEST FROM G. TAYLOR, RESIDENT, to review and consider installation of signage or striping to indicate "watch downhill speed" to discourage perceived downhill speeding.

**DISCUSSION:**

- Reviewed San Dimas “Loop” on site and GIS
- Staff will review the appropriate placement of speeding signs.
- TE Miller noted this is a residential area and stated it is the local residents who are speeding; not outside traffic.
- TE Miller concurs and recommends installation of Watch Downhill Speed in addition to reviewing location and speed limit of current MPH signage.
- SE Garwick commented that accident resident Taylor mentioned in TIR form appears accident occurred going uphill.
- BUSD Thomas confirmed there are two school bus stops in the area.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- Install Watch Downhill Speed
- Review the posted speed limit signage; confirm street classification
- Continue item to next TSC meeting

**#07-15-04 Foothill Blvd and Cataract Intersection**

REQUEST FROM T. McCUE, RESIDENT, to review line of sight concern for traffic exiting Cataract Ave eastbound on Foothill Blvd. This item previously reviewed 2013. Staff addressed the issue with City of Glendora.

**DISCUSSION:**

- Field review of this item and on GIS map
- Resident McCue indicated there are line of sight issues when making a left turn onto Foothill Blvd from southbound Cataract.
- It was noted during field review that the shrubs in the median west of the intersection have grown considerably contributing to the difficulty in viewing eastbound traffic.
- Resident McCue indicated there are 14 homes now; when it turns into Brasada there will be much more traffic.
- TE Miller inquired what “Brasada” was and if a traffic study for a signal light had been completed.
- SE Garwick confirmed a traffic study had in fact been completed and unfortunately did not meet the warrants for a signal light.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. Staff to contact and advise City of Glendora of sight distance concerns associated with overgrown median landscape

**#07-15-05 Tanglewood (Tiburon HOA)**

REQUEST FROM TIBURON HOA, to review and consider request to paint curb area in front of Tanglewood association pool, between crosswalks to be painted green in order to provide an unobstructed view of the crossway.

**DISCUSSION:**

- Field review of this item and on GIS map
- HOA has requested installation of green curb in front of pool entrance.
- During field inspection, it was noted a white truck was parked in front of pool complex and in t-intersection. Created a line of sight issue for pedestrians crossing the west crosswalk.
- TE Miller indicated that HOA’s intent is not clear from letter received (per HOA letter request to provide an “unobstructed view of the crossway”). He believes there is a conflict with the green curb as green is temporary (time limit) parking.
- TE Miller’s professional opinion is that red curb should be installed on the north curb in the intersection between the crosswalks to keep it clear not green.
- Staff to contact HOA & get clarification of green curb request, as it is not City policy to paint other than red.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- Staff to contact HOA for clarification of intent
- Paint red curb on the north side of the intersection between the crosswalks