



City of San Dimas
Public Works Department
Traffic Safety Committee

MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2018 at 9:30 A.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL
245 East Bonita Avenue, San Dimas

Committee Members Present: Krishna Patel (Director, Public Works), Shari Garwick (Engineering Manager, Public Works Dept.), Steve Barragan (Associate Engineer, Public Works Dept.), John Campbell (Street Maintenance Superintendent, Public Works Dept.), Mark Miller (Traffic Engineer), Rhonda Abangan (Administrative Secretary, Public Works Dept.);

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Chair Patel called to order at 9:38a.m.

09-18-01 CABALLO RANCH RD/SAN DIMAS CANYON RD

REQUEST FROM STAFF, to review line of sight concerns for vehicles traveling westbound on Caballo Ranch Road onto San Dimas Canyon Road.

DISCUSSION:

- Chair Patel advised as a result of a recent community meeting, and with the current construction of Golden Hills Road, residents of this community have identified a line of sight concern for north/south San Dimas Canyon Road when vehicles exit Caballo Ranch Road.
- Committee reviewed the area during the field inspection and confirmed oleanders on San Dimas Canyon Road present line of sight concern and agreed should be cut down. Staff should contact resident to cut back or remove.
- It was suggested perhaps to move stop bar out further; however, the current location still gives the driver enough space to creep out into San Dimas Canyon Road to make a safe turn.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Staff to send notice to 1411 Caballo Ranch Road resident to trim and maintain oleanders down to 24' high or remove entirely due to the line of sight concern

#09-18-02 SAN DIMAS AVE N/O VIA VAQUERO

REQUEST FROM STAFF, to review/evaluate the changing of "Bike Lane" on east side of San Dimas Ave north of Via Vaquero and south of the tracks south of Arrow Hwy to a "Bike Route".

DISCUSSION:

- Pedestrians and Bicyclists use the same path of travel i.e. sidewalk also used/signed for Bike lane
- Remove this section (between Via Vaquero and Railroad Crossing) of marked/signed bike lane to avoid conflict with pedestrian.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Remove Bike Lane sign northbound San Dimas Ave at Via Vaquero and install Bikes May use Full Lane signage

#09-18-03 W. RAILWAY ST BETWEEN MONTE VISTA AVE & CATARACT AVE

REQUEST FROM RESIDENT, to review and consider installation of speed humps due to perceived speeding and inattentive drivers on Railway St as cars are observed rushing to/from the Park and Ride or using Railway St as a bypass during the peak AM and PM hours. Resident would like to begin process for consideration of speed humps on Railway St.

DISCUSSION:

- Item reviewed on GIS.

- TE Miller performed traffic speed counts on September 13th. The results were 176 total vehicles during a 24 hour period with an 85th percentile speed of 26mph.
- Per Chair Patel one of the speed hump policy requirement (warrant) is a minimum of 500 cars with an average 85th speed of 30 mph. He added the City's policy is any street must meet the 15 points/guidelines in order to qualify for speed humps.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. No action; Railway does not meet requirements for City's Speed Hump Policy.

#09-18-04 N. AMELIA AVE AND AUTO CENTER DR INTERSECTION

REQUEST FROM RESIDENT, to review and consider installation of dedicated right turn on N Amelia to deter two vehicles from heading northbound at the same time into 1 lane across intersection.

DISCUSSION:

- Per Chair Patel this item came via local business owner near the intersection to consider a right turn lane for northbound Amelia. Item reviewed on GIS.
- AE Barragan advised that the northbound lane is 20 feet; not enough room to stripe a dedicated right lane and a through lane since 13' is required per lane and only 10' per lane is available in this location.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. No action – street is not wide enough for dedicated turn lane

#09-18-05 LONE HILL AVE AND CYPRESS ST INTERSECTION

REQUEST FROM RESIDENT, to review and consider installation of No U-Turn signage at this intersection to discourage U-turns during the AM and PM school peak hours. Resident notes vehicles are not adhering to posted Stop sign making U-turns dangerous.

DISCUSSION:

- Item reviewed during field inspection and on GIS. No U-turns were observed during pre-meeting inspections. However committee agreed the intersection is wide enough for vehicles to make safe U-turns.
- Traffic engineering enhancements to assist drivers could be to add a dedicated turn lane on Lone Hill and filling the crosswalk with ladders. Also installing a larger Stop sign and possible relocation of.
- TE Miller to create striping plan and signage placement for enhancements.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. TE to provide striping plan and signage placement.

#09-18-06 SAN DIMAS AVE (RENEGADE RACING/TURKEY TRIATHLON)

REQUEST FROM STAFF, to review traffic control plan for the Renegade Racing group's event scheduled for **Sunday, November 18, 2018**. This event closes portions of San Dimas Avenue, Puddingstone Dr., Cannon and Walnut from 6:30am to 11:00am.

DISCUSSION:

- Regular Special Event held in San Dimas. No changes to traffic control plan from previous year.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Traffic control approved as submitted

#09-18-07 SAN DIMAS AVE (RUN RACING-MOTIV SPORTS/HOLIDAY ½ MARATHON)

REQUEST FROM STAFF, to review traffic control plan for the Run Racing group's event scheduled for **Sunday, December 9, 2018**. This event will close portions of San Dimas Avenue, Puddingstone Dr., Cannon and Walnut from 8:00am-12:00pm.

DISCUSSION:

- Regular Special Event held in San Dimas. No changes to traffic control plan from previous year.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Traffic control plan approved as submitted; with minor date changes

#09-18-08 THE VILLAGE AT SAN DIMAS

REQUEST FROM HOA, to review and consider painting areas near mailboxes red or white to deter residents from parking in front of mailboxes or for extended periods of time.

DISCUSSION:

- Chair Patel advised this request came at the HOA's request to paint near the mailboxes to deter resident parking.
- It was observed on GIS that white paint has already been installed. Chair Patel pointed out as per City policy white curbs are not painted anywhere in the City or in front of mailboxes.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. No action; City policy does not allow for painting in front of mailboxes. Notify HOA to remove illegally painted white curbs in the community
2. Recommend HOA to notify their residents of the a good neighbor policy is in affect and deter the residents from parking in front of the mailboxes

CONTINUED ITEMS:

#07-18-02 SYCAMORE CANYON ROAD (EQUESTRIAN TRAIL)

REQUEST FROM STAFF, to review and consider installation of speed bumps to slow traffic for this road. **TE to report findings of speed survey between the Horsethief Canyon park entrance and the Yellow gate.**

DISCUSSION:

- Initial review of the area back in July at the request of numerous comments to LA County regarding perception of speeding in the area.
- A review of the City warrants for speed bumps indicate that speed bumps are not appropriate for this type of roadway.
- Traffic engineer performed traffic study of Sycamore Canyon Road from San Dimas Canyon Road to northerly city limits on April 20, 21, 22 and results showed the street is predominately used by pedestrian and vehicles, and very limited use by horse riders.
- Subsequent traffic volume count was taken on September 13, 2018 for 24 hour period using road tubes. The speed survey data showed that the average speed was 30mph with the 85th percentile speed listed as 38mph.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. TE recommendation to keep 25mph for this roadway based on lack of sidewalks, bicycle activity, width of the roadway and limited sight distance.
2. Post additional 25mph signs and have 25mph legends painted on the roadway within the city limits; remove signage relating to horses ("Watch for Horses) and in place install horse signage which reads No Horses.
3. Sherriff Department to conduct random speed enforcement.
4. Staff to contact Camp Glenn Rockey to share study results and encourage their employees to drive with caution and safely due to pedestrians, cycling and limited sight distances on Sycamore Canyon Road.

#11-17-07 SOUTH WALNUT AVE/PUDDINGSTONE DR INTERSECTION

REQUEST FROM RESIDENT, to review and consider installation of 3-Way stop sign at this intersection. Resident indicates traffic turning e/b onto Puddingstone Dr is at risk of collision from w/b traffic due to apparent speeding of Puddingstone traffic (exceeds 30mph speed limit) and blind curve at the intersection. **TE to report/provide recommendations.**

DISCUSSION:

- KP advised committee this intersection has been thoroughly reviewed in all aspects including asking traffic engineer for any/all enhancements for this unique skewed intersection.
- TE Miller stated that video cameras were installed in January and June 2018 and they finalized the review of the video data. They were particularly interested in the traffic in connection with the new Gilead Company headquarters location in La Verne and also focused their review for the AM and PM peak hours. They also made several trips to the intersection to review and measure line of sight distance for this intersection. TE Miller remarked that based on his observations and professional opinion the intersection meets the sight distance on Puddingstone and the majority of traffic on Walnut make the left turn onto Puddingstone. He recommends that the trees and shrubs be removed from the northeast corner.
- Resident Brown pointed out that at the last meeting moving the stop bar was discussed to which TE Miller confirmed yes it was a consideration, but he wanted to review and measure sight distance and confirms the stop bar is correctly placed. Perhaps a larger Stop sign could be installed.
- Resident Brown commented further when driving on Walnut the vehicles edge to the right side first to be able to see the eastbound Puddingstone traffic before making the left turn.
- TE Miller confirmed there are 2 advanced warning signs on Puddingstone to advise vehicles of the Walnut intersection.
- Resident Brown noted there is a lot of gravel on northbound Walnut right off of Puddingstone. Chair Patel asked SMS Campbell to have street sweeper to take a look at this area for additional sweeping.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Staff to remove bushes on northeast corner of Walnut
2. Install 36" Stop sign on Walnut
3. Install Cross Traffic Does Not Stop sign on Walnut

#03-18-01 PUDDINGSTONE DR (TIBURON HOA)

REQUEST FROM HOA, to update HOA and Committee on HOA’s request for a parking program (Item #1, September 12, 2017 letter). **TE to report/provide recommendations.**

DISCUSSION:

- Chair Patel confirmed for committee there has been considerable review and analysis of the Puddingstone/Tanglewood intersection. He noted the City installed video cameras to assist with the pedestrian analysis over three separate weekends. Originally City committed to once in January and again in June; and at the request of the HOA/residents, added in a 3rd review in July to better ascertain the flow of pedestrian traffic. The Traffic Engineer provided an analysis of the video data in a power point presentation.
- TE Office - L Hamilton presented AGA’s power point presentation for the group on her views of the video data. The pedestrian counts are as follows:

Wednesday January 17 (10 am to 5 pm)	Friday– Sunday June 29 – July 1 (10 am to 5 pm)	Friday– Sunday July 27 – July 30 (10 am to 5 pm)
TOTAL EXITED: 4	FRIDAY EXITED: 18	FRIDAY EXITED: 25
TOTAL ENTERED: 15	FRIDAY ENTERED: 12	FRIDAY ENTERED: 24
	SATURDAY EXITED: 15	SATURDAY EXITED: 4
	SATURDAY ENTERED: 16	SATURDAY ENTERED: 6
	SUNDAY EXITED: 22	SUNDAY EXITED: 24
	SUNDAY ENTERED: 17	SUNDAY ENTERED: 14

- TE Miller point out the data reviewed was during the 10am to 5pm range to coincide with Raging Waters hours of operation (the time frame as identified on the Raging Waters website).
- Essentially the 3 separate video data reviews a relatively low number of pedestrians for June & July, but many appeared to be children (not of driving age). Additionally it was impossible to determine if pedestrian exiting the complex were residents or non-residents. Due to the low volume of pedestrians in all 3 time periods evaluated, there is no traffic engineering recommendation that can be made for Tiburon. TE Miller suggestion at this time is

to install No Raging Waters Parking at the entrance to HOA and also recommends the HOA continue to work with Raging Waters regarding the outside accessibility through the rugged terrain surrounding the park.

- Resident Pou commented he has seen people go thru the bushed area right across the street (from complex).
- SMS Campbell remarked that LA County has cleaned up this area and also installed a fence.
- Resident Garcia indicated the presentation was good but also clarified that it is not indicative of the true accounts from past years; she did note that this season they too noticed the pool area was not as active as in previous years and it seemed a slower year. Perhaps the kids are growing up.
- Chair Patel restated for the committee that the numbers in the 3 separate review periods reveal there does not appear to be a problem at this time.
- Chair Patel added that the parking was also measured and noted 50% of parking was available in the morning at 7:00 AM and then 40% of parking was available starting at approximately 3pm. He stated that Raging Waters cooperation and slight changes appear to be working – based on the videos. He concurred that the previous situations have diminished.
- Resident Pou agreed with Chair Patel and noted that Raging Waters management is definitely assisting and they are being more accessible to them. He thanked L Hamilton for her presentation and efforts with reviewing the video. He did ask would it possible to request No Cataract Falls parking as well to which Chair Patel confirmed that the sign would not be as the Falls are too far from the entrance. Also there is posted No Trespassing for this area.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Staff will post No Raging Waters Parking signage at the entrance (when park season starts)
2. HOA to send City a reminder letter in April for the signage

#05-18-09 EASTBOUND FOOTHILL BLD (BETWEEN DIXIE ST & SAN DIMAS CANYON RD)

REQUEST FROM BUSINESS OWNER, to review and consider installation of KEEP CLEAR in front of the business 465 - 460 E Foothill Blvd to assist exiting during the peak traffic hours Monday thru Friday. **TE to provide status update.**

DISCUSSION:

- Chair Patel updated committee advising he had spoken with and requested the City of La Verne to review the signal timing at the Baseline/Foothill Blvd intersection. To date, Staff has not received an update.
- TE Miller commented LA County has very conservative timing because they also include the cyclists.
- EM Garwick observed the intersection shows the timing of Foothill/San Dimas Canyon Road is currently working as LA County has addressed previous issues.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Item Continued - pending reports from La Verne
2. Staff to follow up with La Verne for signal timing at Baseline/ Foothill Blvd intersection.

Meeting adjourned 11:12 am