

CITY OF HEMET
Traffic and Parking Commission Minutes
Wednesday, May 11, 2005
8:00 AM

City Council Chambers
450 E. Latham Avenue
Hemet, CA 92543

The meeting was called to order a 8:04 AM by Chairperson Walters.

ROLL CALL: Chairperson Dan Walters; Chair pro tem Don Berry; Commissioner Michael Asher; Commissioner Gareth Modica; Commissioner Roger Wellman; *Planning Commissioner Jim Calkins*; Mayor Roger Meadows.

Members absent: *Chair pro tem Berry - excused*
Commissioner Modica - excused

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Gow, Deputy Public Works Director; Richard Broos, Streets Superintendent, Police Corporal Randy Young; Management Assistant Julee Heckermann; Management Assistant, Kristen Cannon

1. **FLAG SALUTE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Chairman Walters

2. **Approval of Minutes of April 13, 2005.**
Commissioner Wellman moved to approve minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Asher, and carried 3-0.

3. **Report of Council Action on April 13, 2005 Meeting**
The Commission moved to Item 7 for discussion.

Heckermann reported that all items were approved, including a two recommendations for red curbing installation, and that the request on Garland was denied and returned to the Traffic Commission for further consideration.

4. **Request for Speed Control and Stop Sign on Garland Way**
(Susan Lala, 2256 Garland Way)

Heckermann reported that this item was returned to the Commission from Council to look at alternatives for traffic calming. Staff has requested that the Commission discuss what should take place regarding this item. She also reported that the speed limit of 30 miles per hour is set at the right speed according to surveys of the area, and that traffic counts done on Rosemary and Garland were low. Staff recommendation was to deny installation of a 4-way stop on Garland.

Officer Young reported that in his experience, Garland is one of the calmer streets. Discussion ensued regarding levels of traffic flow, line of sight on street, and traffic volume.

Commissioner Wellman moved to follow previous recommendation and deny construction of additional traffic calming features along Garland. Commissioner Asher

seconded the motion, and it was carried, 3-0.

**5. Request to Install Raised Pavement Markers on Sanderson
(Catherine Fraser, 750 Kirby St)**

Heckermann reported receiving a letter from a resident requesting raised pavement marker installation on Sanderson Avenue between Ramona Expressway and Florida Avenue. She further reported that the City had compiled a cost estimate for marker installation from Florida to Esplanade. Staff reported installation costs at \$10,100

Discussion ensued regarding timing of installation and benefit of installing them during construction phases.

Commissioner Wellman moved to approve expenditure of funds to proceed with installation of raised pavement markers on Sanderson between Florida Avenue and Esplanade Avenue. Motion seconded by Commissioner Asher, and carried 3-0.

**6. Request to Install Traffic Signal at Florida Ave/Dartmouth
(Business Owners, 3330 E. Florida Ave)**

Heckermann reported that this intersection belongs to CalTrans. Staff recommendation is to not install a signal at this intersection. The request has been forwarded to CalTrans, as they would be the entity to ultimately decide on installation.

Commissioner Wellman inquired about waiting for CalTrans' decision before making a decision about installation of a traffic signal at the intersection.

Discussion of proximity to other signalized intersections, possibility of getting a copy of CalTrans report, and expediting the request through CalTrans process. Commissioner Wellman further inquired about attending the CalTrans meeting regarding this item.

Commissioner Wellman moved to accept staff recommendation to not install a signal at the intersection of Dartmouth and Florida. Motions seconded by Commissioner Asher, and carried 3-0.

Chairperson Walters inquired on the time frame necessary for CalTrans to review the request. Heckermann reported a review time of one month. Officer Young commented that this intersection is one of better choices for improving.

**7. Request to Approve Street Names - Tract No. 31796
(Colin McNie, City Building Department)**

Heckermann reported that a tract map with street names for approval were given to the Commission for their recommendation. She further reported that all names had been approved by the Post Office and MSG-911.

Discussion ensued regarding ease of pronunciation for radio transmission and meaning behind street names.

Commissioner Wellman moved to approve Dunbar Court, Forster Court, and Haviture Way; reject Donnybrook and approve alternate Donner Way. Motion seconded by Commissioner Asher, and carried 3-0.

The Commission returned to Item 3 for discussion.

**8. Request to Install Right Turn Only Lane at Southbound Lyon at Stetson
(Commission Request)**

Heckermann reported that staff reviewed this intersection and measured the street from the curb to the centerline. The street measured 19 feet wide, which does not meet the 10 foot per lane requirements. Staff recommendation is to not mark the right turn lane based on the fact that the lane should be 10 feet wide.

Discussion ensued regarding liability in marking the lane and the potential of widening the street.

Commissioner Wellman moved to accept staff recommendation to not install designated right turn lane striping. Motion seconded by Commissioner Asher, and carried 3-0.

9. Riverside County TIP Update

Informational

Discussion of Gilman Springs improvements.

Discussion of State Street improvements.

Commissioner Wellman requested any updates regarding Highway 79 realignment. Mayor Meadows updated the Commission.

10. Action Item List

Informational.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No Comments

12. Future Agenda Items.

- A. *Development Map Review Process*
- B. *Diamond Valley Middle School - Red Curb Installation at Right Turn Lane and Fire Hydrants*
- C. *Bus Stop on Gilmore - East Side of Mall*

Meadows reported on the City Council Retreat held at the Lodge in the K. Hovnanian tract.

13. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 9:27am. Next meeting is scheduled for 8:00 AM, Wednesday, June 8, 2005, in City Council Chambers.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Kristen Cannon
Management Assistant**