



Agenda

Safety and Parking Advisory Commission Community Chambers August 6, 2009 5:00 p.m.

Commissioners: Dan Fenocchio - Chair, Dan Barcellos, Bill Bernheim, Theodore Parks, Tim Spangler, Doug Waterman

Assigned Staff: Roxanne Namazi, Senior Civil Engineer (Commission Liaison)
Ton Phan, Police Sergeant

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- 5:00 p.m.**
- A. Approval of Agenda**
The Commission will review and approve the Agenda.
 - B.1 Public Communication**
Any member of the public may address the Commission during this time on any issue (not already on the Agenda) within the Commission's responsibility.
 - B.2 Commission/Staff Comments**
 - C. Consent Items**
The following items will generally be approved with no discussion since they are usually a standard and/or straightforward application. Items may be removed for discussion by a Commissioner or member of the public prior to Commission Action.

C.1. Review and/or Correct Meeting Minutes for July 2, 2009

See Draft Minutes attached.

D. Discussion Items (with Staff Reports)

Each of the following items will generally be introduced by City staff after which the public will be invited to address these issues and their concerns. After public input, the Commission will discuss the times and recommend action(s). Actions needing changes to the City Code and/or other unique circumstances will also require City Council action prior to implementation of any recommended changes.

D.1. Chestnut Lane – Request for Traffic Calming Measures

6:00 p.m.

Adjournment – Confirm Next Meeting Date.

Regular meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 3, 2009, in the Community Chambers.

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SPAC AGENDA
Date: August 6, 2009
Item No: C.1.

Draft Minutes

Safety and Parking Advisory Commission July 2, 2009

Commissioners Present: Dan Fenocchio (chair), Theodore Parks, Tim Spangler, Doug Waterman

Commissioners Absent: Dan Barcellos, Bill Bernheim

Staff: Roxanne Namazi, Senior Civil Engineer
Sgt. Ton Phan, Police Department

Chair: Commissioner Fenocchio called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

A. Approval of Agenda
Approved.

B.1 Public Communications
None.

B.2 Commission/Staff Comments
Staff:

Staff updated the Commission on the status of the Davis-Woodland Alternative Transportation Corridor project. The draft of the Feasibility Study is ready for review and comments. Staff will schedule a joint meeting with the Bicycle Advisory Commission in August (8/17) to present the report to the Commissions.

This month's Bicycle Advisory Commission (7/6) has 2 items related to Fifth Street Corridor Improvements on the agenda:

1) Evaluation of Road Diet for Fifth Street Corridor Improvement. UCD graduate students have prepared a study that evaluates the road diet for Fifth Street. Staff has not reviewed the report to date.

2) Fifth Street Redesign Position Statement. Commission will review a proposal regarding BAC support of the proposed road diet on Fifth Street.

Commission:

Commissioner Parks has contacted City of La Jolla, California, regarding the road diet recently implemented there. He is concerned that this road diet includes a number of roundabouts and therefore not a good comparison with Fifth Street Corridor.

Commission will have the opportunity to review staff's recommendation for the corridor when ready.

C. Consent Items

Approve and/or Correct Commission Minutes, Meeting of May 7, 2009.

Approved.

D. Discussion Items

D.1. Street Smarts – Update

Staff presented the background of the information. A summary of the recent program activities and future plans were shared with the Commission.

- Summer camps, we continue to provide traffic safety education for the kids participating in the summer camps.
- Junior High Ad Contest, we received 25 entries.
- Survey, we have received over 300 entries to date. The survey summary was presented to the Commission.
- We will soon start our annual sponsorship drive.
- Bike rodeos, we held four rodeos at various elementary schools and had over 300 participants.
- Elementary schools poster contest, we received over 100 entries.
- Participated in an assembly at Birch Lane Elementary School to discuss bicycle safety.
- School handouts were regularly distributed to elementary schools.
- Other activities included participation in UCD Fall Welcome, and AMGEN Tour of California. Installed new banners at elementary and junior high schools, rotated bus shelter posters, run safety ads at the Enterprise and Varsity Theater. Installed speed boards near school.

Staff will be working on how to best involve junior high and high school students as well as presentations at Davis neighborhoods regarding traffic safety. Commission suggested a program similar to the one held at the High School by the Police Department (Every 15 Minutes) for the junior high schools. Staff continues to expend the SRTS grant funds awarded to us in April 2008 (a total of \$333,000 has been awarded and to date we have expended \$134,000).

Action: This was an Informational item and no action was necessary.

D.2. Chiles Road at El Cemonte – Request for Crosswalk, Informational

Staff presented the background and information. Representatives from Hanlees Auto Center requested a marked crosswalk on the east side of El Cemonte Avenue at Chiles Road, to assist the staff and customers crossing Chiles Road between Ford and Honda dealerships. Staff will install a “triple-four” crosswalk marking supplemented with crossing signs.

Action: This was an Informational item and no action was necessary.

D.3. Second Street at L Street – Traffic Safety Improvements

Staff presented the background and information. Staff received a letter from the Public Utilities Commission regarding a recent crash at the corner of L and Second. The vehicle landed on the tracks and was hit by a train. Staff reviewed the corner and recommended the following safety improvement measures:

- Install W1-1a sign with 15 mph advisory sign on L Street.
- Install W1-8 chevron signs for the southbound L Street traffic.
- Relocate the existing reflectorized diamond sign closer to the curb to be more visible.
- Install raised pavement markers on the centerline around the curve.
- Work with the individual who planted vegetations at this corner to remove some of the tall objects blocking the signs.

Action: Commission approved staff’s recommendation, unanimously to provide for the additional safety improvement measures. Commission directed staff to write a letter to PUC and let them know about the Commission action.

D.2. Speed Zone Survey – Update

Staff presented the background and information. Staff conducted an Engineering and Traffic Survey for the following 6 segments. The surveys justified the posted speed limits.

Street	Location	Posted Speed (MPH)
Arlington Boulevard	Russell Boulevard to Humboldt Avenue	35
B Street	First Street to Fifth Street	25
Cowell Boulevard	(Research Park Drive (W) to 300’ e/o Research Park Drive (E)	25
Eighth Street	B Street to F Street	25
Sycamore Lane	Russell Boulevard to W. Eighth Street	25
Third Street	B Street to Railroad Tracks	25

Action: Commission approved staff's recommendation to make no changes to the posted speed limits for the above 6 segments, unanimously.

Next Meeting: Confirmed for August 6, 2009, at 5:00 p.m. at the Community Chambers.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Namazi
Senior Civil Engineer

Staff Report

SPAC AGENDA
Date: August 6, 2009
Item No: D.1.

August 6, 2009

TO: Safety and Parking Advisory Commission
FROM: Roxanne Namazi, Senior Civil Engineer
SUBJECT: Chestnut Lane – Traffic Calming Request

Recommendation

Approve staff's recommendation to not install any traffic calming measures on Chestnut Lane.

Fiscal Impact

There will be no fiscal impact.

Background and Analysis

Residents submitted a signed petition concerning speeds and requested traffic calming measures on Chestnut Lane. Staff collected the following 48-hour data on Chestnut Lane at two locations:

Chestnut Lane	s/o Pole Line Rd	n/o Alice Street	Minimum Required	Meets Warrants?
Volume (vpd)	1,200	1,300	500	YES
Average Speed (mph)	25	25		
Critical Speed (mph)	28	29	32	NO
Posted Speed Limit (mph)	25	25		

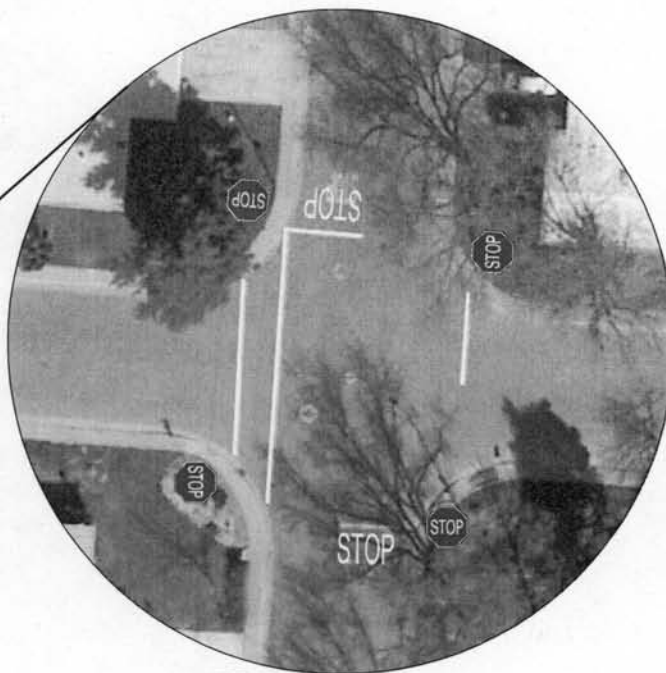
The critical speed on Chestnut Lane does not meet the minimum requirements for installation of traffic calming measures.

Chestnut Lane provides for a connection between E. Eighth Street and Pole Line Road with stop control on Chestnut Lane. The intersection of Chestnut Lane at Drexel Drive is an all-way stop control. The street is 38 feet wide (face of curb to face of curb) with parking allowed on both sides. Please see attached Exhibit A.

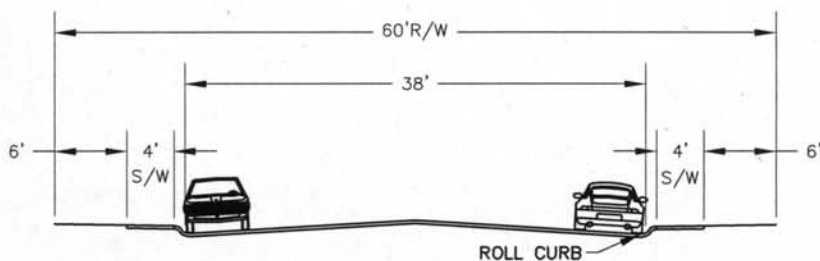
The 3-year crash history indicated one reported crash during 2006 through 2008 along Chestnut Lane. This was a hit and run crash where the driver hit a cyclist leaving the park parking lot.

Attachment: Exhibit A

c: Rose Conroy, Fire Chief
Steve Pierce, Assistant Police Chief



Chestnut Lane at Drexel Drive



Chestnut Lane

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Exhibit A