



MEETING MINUTES

STREETS & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

City Hall - Study Session Room
68700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero
Cathedral City, CA 92234

DATE: October 18, 2007
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
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COMMISSIONERS:

James Navarro (Chairman), Harold Blumberg (Vice Chair)
Rosalina Nava, William Baker, Art Gregoire

- I. **ROLL CALL:** Present: Commissioners: Navarro, Blumberg, Baker &, Nava.
Also attending: Robert Mohler- Traffic Manager (S&T Commission Liaison); Patrick Milos- Cathedral City Public Works Manager.
- II. **APPROVAL OF ABSENCES:** (Gregoire was ill, unable to attend). Motion: Blumberg, Second: Baker, his absence was approved unanimously by the Commission.
- III. **APPROVAL OF COMMISSION MINUTES:** (Previous September 20, 2007 Meeting):
Motion: Baker, Second: Navarro, the Commission unanimously approved the 9/20/07 Minutes.
- IV. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** (not related to agenda items below): None
- V. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 1. **Status update by Pat Milos-Public Works Mgr. on current Street Maintenance/Public Works Projects:**
Milos explained his crews efforts ref: a. Road Construction/Renovation, b. Drainage Repairs & Siphons, c. Crack Sealing and d. Upcoming Contract Slurry Sealing on Residential Streets. Milos distributed a 13-pg. handout w/photos: Cathedral City 5-YR. Maintenance Plan (2007-2011), an excellent reference document.
 2. **Date Palm/Varner Rd. General Plan Amendment (GPA) requested by Planning Department:**
The Commission reviewed a draft Planning Dept. staff report regarding the proposed GPA, as well as maps and an aerial photo depicting the preferred alignment. A memo from staff liaison to the Commission, explained the proposed amendment, which recommends that the current roadway configuration be maintained, basically indicating Varner Road as the predominate east-west roadway in that area, with Date Palm teeing into Varner. Hui Lai, City Traffic Engineer, also concurred in the Planning Dept. recommendation. Motion: Baker, Second: Nava, the Commission unanimously endorsed the Planning Department recommendation.
- VI. **OLD BUSINESS:** (Updates to Commission by R. Mohler):
 1. **Date Palm & Vasquez Traffic Study:** W2 Design, Inc. submitted 2nd draft concepts at meeting with staff on Wed., OCT. 10th. W2 Design plans to make a formal presentation to the Commission on November 15th.
 2. **New Illuminated Street Name Signs:** The first eleven signs for first 3 intersections are in production for a. Cathedral Canyon Dr. & Perez Rd., b. Date Palm Dr. & Perez Rd. and c. Dinah Shore Dr. & Plumley Rd. Pat Milos' Public Works crews will install the signs using in-house forces, saving on installation costs. The 11 signs are to be delivered to the City by mid-November.

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3. **FY 2007/08 Traffic Budget:** All items in budget have been ordered & Purchase Orders issued to vendors for the four elements, approved by City Council for a. Signal Battery Backups, b. New Signal Controllers & Cabinets, c. Signal Video Detection Cameras, d. New Illuminated Street Name Signs (at signalized intersections). (FY 2007/08 \$750,000 Traffic Safety Budget approved by City Council, authorizing traffic signal upgrades)

4. **SPEEDsentry Radar Sign:** Our initial radar sign to register speeders in residential neighborhoods was shipped to the City and should arrive during week of Oct. 22. The first test area will be within the west side of the Century Park area on Brookview Way (between Sterling & Kenwood). The device records time, date, & speed of all vehicles exceeding the (25 mph) speed limit on that residential street. This information can be used to determine peak times of speeding patterns as an enforcement tool for PD. It will also act a form of traffic calming. The device will be moved to different neighborhoods city-wide as the City receives other such complaints about speeding motorists. The speeder history data stored on the device can be downloaded using Bluetooth wireless technology using supplied PDA hand-held computer for the downloads.

VII. **COMMISSION/STAFF COMMENTS:** The Commission asked for staff to arrange for email updates to be forwarded to them regarding the COVE and DREAM HOME sewer/street construction projects.

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM. Next Commission Meeting: NOVEMBER 15, 2007.
(Commission meetings are held routinely Monthly on the third Thursday, in the Study Session Room)

Hand-outs at meeting:

1. Cathedral City 5-Year Maintenance Plan (2007- 2011) distributed by Pat Milos, Public Works Mgr. (13 pgs)
2. Date Palm/Varner GPA draft Planning Dept. staff report & maps distributed to Commission. (5 pgs.)
3. Date Palm/Varner GPA memo from Traffic Div. dated 10/18/07 distributed to Commission (1 Pg.)