



# Placentia Traffic Safety Commission Agenda

Regular Meeting  
September 18, 2017  
7:00 p.m.

Front Community Meeting Room  
401 E. Chapman Avenue

**Miguel Hernandez**  
Chairperson

**Dr. Arinder Chadha**  
Vice Chair

**Robert Gorman**  
Commissioner

**Foster Ruppert**  
Commissioner

**Arnel Sarmiento**  
Commissioner

**Robin Stafford**  
Commissioner

**Vacant**  
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**REGULAR MEETING**  
7:00 p.m. – Front Community Meeting Room

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

**ROLL CALL:** Commissioner Stafford  
Commissioner Sarmiento  
Commissioner Ruppert  
Commissioner Gorman  
Vice Chair Chadha  
Chair Hernandez

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

At this time the public may address the Traffic Safety Commission concerning any agenda item, which is not a public hearing item, or on matters within the jurisdiction of the Traffic Safety Commission. There is a five (5) minute time limit for each individual addressing the Traffic Safety Commission.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 22, 2017

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

**1. Consideration of Overnight Parking Restrictions at Tynes Elementary School**

A request was received from the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District to establish a restricted parking zone along Tynes Elementary School's frontage on Stanford Drive and Darmouth Drive in order to eliminate overnight parking.

**Recommended Actions:** It is recommended that the Traffic Safety Commission:

- a. Forward a recommendation for approval to the City Council to post signs along the frontage of Tynes Elementary School's frontage on Stanford Drive and Dartmouth Drive that will restrict parking between the hours of midnight and 4:00 a.m., 7 days a week.

**2. Discussion of Letter to Traffic Safety Commission regarding Crosswalk at Kraemer Boulevard south of Bastanchury Road dated August 31, 2017**

**Recommended Actions:** It is recommended that the Traffic Safety Commission:

- a. Discuss and direct staff as appropriate.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

1. Update on Traffic Related CIP Projects and Placentia General Plan

**INFORMATION/COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC SUMMARY  
Statistical update on accident and enforcement information provided by the Placentia Police Department.
2. DISCUSSION ITEMS BY TRAFFIC ENGINEER
3. RESPONSE TO PRIOR MEETING ITEMS

**TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION REQUESTS:**

Commission members may make requests or ask questions of Staff. If a Commission member would like to have formal action taken on a requested matter, it will be placed on a future Commission Agenda.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The Traffic Safety Commissioners ADJOURN to the next regular meeting on Monday, November 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Front Community Meeting Room located at 401 East Chapman Avenue, Placentia CA, 92870.

**CERTIFICATION OF POSTING**

I, Rusty Beardsley, Traffic Engineer/Secretary to the Traffic Safety Commission of the City of Placentia, hereby certify that the Agenda for the September 18, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Traffic Safety Commission of the City of Placentia was posted on September 14, 2017.

  
for \_\_\_\_\_  
Rusty Beardsley, T.E.  
Traffic Engineer/Secretary

**PLACENTIA TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
May 22, 2017**

The Regular Meeting of the Placentia Traffic Safety Commission of May 22, 2017 was called to order at 7:07 p.m. in the Community Meeting Room, 401 E. Chapman Avenue, Placentia, by Chairperson Hernandez.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Chairperson Hernandez  
Vice Chair Chadha  
Commissioner Gorman  
Commissioner Ruppert

Absent: Commissioner Stafford  
Commissioner Sarmiento

**STAFF PRESENT:** Luis Estevez, Director of Public Works  
Rusty Beardsley, Traffic Engineer  
Joe Connell, Traffic Sergeant  
Elsa Villagrana, Sr. Administrative Assistant

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Vice Chair Chadha

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. **MINUTES**
  - a. Traffic Safety Commission Meeting - May 16, 2016  
**Recommendation Actions:** Approve

**Motion by Commissioner Gorman, second by Ruppert carried on a (4-0) vote to approve the recommended actions.**

Ayes: Ruppert, Gorman, Chadha, Hernandez

Noes:

Abstain:

Absent: Sarmiento, Stafford

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

## REGULAR AGENDA:

1. **Applicant:** City of Placentia  
**Project Location:** Citywide

### **Review of Revised Residential Permit Parking Procedures and Guidelines**

Based on the opinion of the Attorney General of California, a revised version of the City's Residential Permit Parking Procedures and Guidelines was prepared that allows for the inclusion of multi-family residences to be included in the Residential Permit Parking program.

**Recommended Actions:** It is recommended that the Traffic Safety Commission:

- a. Review and approve the revised Residential Parking Permit Procedures and Guidelines;
- b. Forward a recommendation for approval of the revised Residential Permit Parking Procedures and Guidelines to the City Council for consideration.

Contract Traffic Engineer Rusty Beardsley provided a staff report to the Traffic Safety Commission (Commission). Mr. Beardsley noted that on April 14, 2016, the Attorney General of California issued an opinion stating that local jurisdictions cannot limit the issuance of residential parking permits to residents based on the type of dwelling they occupy.

Mr. Beardsley added that the City Attorney's Office reviewed the Attorney General's opinion and our current residential permit parking program and recommended to Staff to revise the City's Residential Permit Parking Procedures and Guidelines.

Mr. Beardsley discussed the changes to the City's Residential Permit Parking Procedures and Guidelines. He stated the revised guidelines include wording that specifically allows multi-family and single-family residences to participate on an equal basis in the program. In addition, the revised guidelines includes a new proposed fee schedule and limit the number of Guest Permits that can be issued to any household from the current limit of five (5) permits to a maximum of three (3) permits per dwelling unit.

Director of Public Works Luis Estevez commented that other cities in Orange County are dealing with the issue of how to revise their residential parking programs based on the opinion issued by the former Attorney General.

Mr. Estevez noted that Staff conducted a survey of locations in the City where there are single-family residences and multi-family residences on the same street.

Mr. Beardsley stated that Staff did not find any locations where there were high-density units across from single-family homes on the same street.

Chairperson Hernandez asked how the revised guidelines will affect the existing residential parking permit zones.

Mr. Beardsley stated that the revised guidelines will only impact future requests for residential permit parking zones.

Commissioner Ruppert inquired about the proposed fee schedule and if a survey of fees of surrounding cities were conducted.

Mr. Beardsley stated Staff did conduct a survey of surrounding cities. He noted that some cities did not have an application fee and the City of Placentia's fees were among the highest at a rate block.

There was discussion among the Commission regarding the full recovery of administrative costs related to processing applications for the Residential Permit Parking Program.

**Motion by Vice Chair Chadha, second by Gorman carried on a (4-0) vote to approve the recommended actions.**

Ayes: Ruppert, Gorman, Chadha, Hernandez

Noes:

Abstain:

Absent: Sarmiento, Stafford

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Estevez provided the Commission an overview of proposed traffic-related Capital Improvement Program projects for Fiscal Year 2017-18. He highlighted the Placentia Avenue Rehabilitation Project, Chapman/Malvern Traffic Signal Synchronization Project (TSSP), Safe Routes 2 School Project Phase III, Miraloma/Richfield Signal Modification Project and Citywide Traffic Signal Repair Project, Systemic Safety Analysis Report, Kraemer/Alta Vista Signal Improvement Project, Bastanchury/Valencia Signal Improvement Project and Golden Avenue Bridge Replacement Project. In addition, Mr. Estevez informed the Commission that the Kraemer Boulevard Traffic Signal Synchronization Project was completed during this fiscal year.

## **INFORMATION/COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **1. POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC SUMMARY**

#### **a. Police Traffic Summary - None**

Sergeant Joe Connell provided the Commission an overview of the statistics of traffic incidents for calendar year up to April 2017. He highlighted that to date there have been a total of 124 collisions, which represents a 12 percent increase in April over the same period last year. Mr. Connell commented that to date there have been a total of two (2) fatal collisions, 48 injury collisions, and 70 property-damage collisions.

Commissioner Ruppert asked how the Police Department enforces drivers entering an intersection when the traffic light is yellow.

Sergeant Connell stated that is not enforceable since it is not a violation for a motorist to enter an intersection when the traffic light is yellow.

Vice Chair Chadha inquired about the frequency the City's conducts DUI checkpoints.

Sergeant Connell stated that annually the department submits a grant application to the California Office of Traffic Safety for funding of DUI checkpoints across the city. He stated that for this funding year the department received funding for only two (2) DUI checkpoints.

### **2. DISCUSSION ITEMS BY TRAFFIC ENGINEER**

None

### **3. RESPONSE TO PRIOR MEETING ITEMS**

None

**TRAFFIC SAFETY COMISISON REQUESTS:** None

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, **MOTION** by Commissioner Gorman to adjourn to the next regular meeting on July 17, 2017; **SECOND** by Commissioner Ruppert and **CARRIED** by a **4-0 VOICE VOTE**. Meeting adjourned on May 22, 2017 at 8:11 p.m.

**Submitted by**

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Rusty Beardsley, T.E., Traffic Engineer  
Secretary to the Traffic Safety Commission



# Placentia Traffic Safety Commission

## AGENDA REPORT

TO: TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

FROM: RUSTY BEARDSLEY, TRAFFIC ENGINEER

DATE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2017

SUBJECT: **OVERNIGHT PARKING RESTRICTIONS AT TYNES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

### **SUMMARY:**

A request was received from the Placentia - Yorba Linda Unified School District to establish a restricted parking zone along Tynes Elementary School's frontage on Stanford Drive and Dartmouth Drive in order to eliminate overnight parking.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Traffic Safety Commission take the following action:

1. Forward a recommendation for approval to the City Council to post signs along the frontage of Tynes Elementary School's frontage on Stanford Drive and Dartmouth Drive that will restrict parking between the hours of midnight and 4:00 am, 7 days a week.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Tynes Elementary School is located on Stanford Drive between Dartmouth Drive and Central Avenue (see Exhibit 1). The requested restricted parking zone is along the school's frontage on the north side of Stanford Drive and the east side of Dartmouth Drive as indicated on Exhibit 2. The south side of Stanford Drive and west side of Dartmouth Drive have existing Residence-Only Permit Parking Zones as recommended by this commission and approved by Placentia City Council in 2016.

The School District's request is in response to the lack of on-street parking in front of the school due to vehicles left overnight and not removed prior to the start of school and the trash left behind by vehicle occupants who gather at this location to park their vehicles for the night. The school and the City are also in receipt of complaints from residents of both Stanford Drive and Dartmouth Drive regarding their desire to restrict overnight parking across the street from their homes. It is assumed that much of the overnight parking along this section of roadway is attributed to the overflow of parking from the nearby condominiums that prompted the residents of Stanford Drive and Dartmouth Drive to petition and receive the Residence-Only Permit Parking Zones on these streets. Because permit parking has been established on all the nearby residential streets and there is minimal parking allowed on Chapman Avenue in their vicinity, the on-street parking along the school frontage in high demand each night and on weekends.

Based on discussions with Tynes Elementary School's principal, restricting parking between the hours of midnight and 4:00 am each day would be effective in eliminating overnight parking without impacting the schools operation.

During conversations with the School District and the school's administrators, concerns were raised about non-school related parking in the school's parking lots during non-school hours. Issues with the trash left behind from this use being the major complaint. It was explained to the District representative that the posting of signage restricting the use of on-site parking lots would be the responsibility of the School District and that enforcement of any on-site restrictions would need to be discussed with the Placentia Police Department.

Prepared by:



Rusty Beardsley, T.E.  
Traffic Engineer

Approved by:



Luis Estevez  
Director of Public Works

Attachments: Exhibit 1 – *Vicinity Map*  
Exhibit 2 – *Location Map*

# EXHIBIT 1



**VICINITY MAP**

**EXHIBIT 2**



**LOCATION MAP**

1722 Heritage Ave  
Placentia, CA 92870  
August 31, 2017

City of Placentia  
Traffic Safety Commission  
401 E. Chapman Ave.  
Placentia, CA 92870

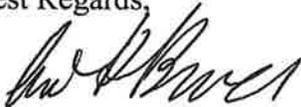
To Whom it May Concern:

As school has started again, there seems to be a problem that consistently exists, that is the crosswalk across Kraemer south of Bastanchury. We walk our son to Brookhaven Elementary School in the mornings and again, today, we almost got hit when after 10+ cars drove by as we were waiting AT the crosswalk to cross. When finally the cars noticed us and stopped, a white Mercedes swerved into the left turn lane to, most likely, go around "those idiots who stop in the middle of the street". To his SHOCK and yes I saw the anger turn to fear as he almost hit my 6 year old son and I as we were IN the crosswalk almost halfway across Kraemer going East.

Years ago, when I was walking my oldest to Brookhaven kindergarten, I wrote a letter just like this. (We had to move out of the area in 2003 and recently moved back.) This has been an ongoing problem for many many years. I have talked to numerous Brookhaven and even El Dorado parents who REFUSE to walk their kids to school because of the dangers of crossing Kraemer. In this day and age of childhood obesity, traffic congestion, and depletion of natural resources, the best option would be walking places, but ONLY if the walking was safe. I know that you will send someone out to count the number of people using the crosswalk and the number will be TOO LOW to do anything, but think of how many people would START walking to school if it was just safe. This is not just a monetary issue, but it is a community building issue; remember in the "good ol days" of walking to school with your friends, burning off energy, talking, laughing and just having fun while the parents "bonded" in the rear of the pack, this needs to be reestablished to build community.

Please assist us in walking our children to school safely. Yes there are signs and a painted crosswalk, but there needs to be more in this fast section of Kraemer. Maybe something like the flashing crosswalk that is on Placentia near Nutwood. I know the cost of a crossing guard is too much, maybe just a flashing light during school hours. Please do more to make this area safe. Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Best Regards,



Randy, Anne, Cameron(19), Ian (6) **Brewer**

cc: Placentia City Council Members  
Brookhaven Elementary School  
El Dorado High School