

**CITY OF LOS BANOS
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
JULY 1, 2008**

ACTION MINUTES – These minutes are prepared to depict action taken for agenda items presented to the Traffic Safety Committee.

CALL TO ORDER: Police Chief Gallagher called the Traffic Safety Committee Meeting to order at the hour of 2:09 p.m.

ROLL CALL – MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE PRESENT: Dwayne Chisam, Public Works Director/City Engineer (Public Works Department); Chris Gallagher, Police Chief (Police Department); Norm Donovan, Planning Commission Representative; Chet Guintini, Fire Chief (Fire Department); Absent: Paula Fitzgerald, Planning Director (Planning Department).

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Assistant City Clerk/HR Technician Sousa.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Donovan, seconded by Guintini to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion carried by the affirmative vote of all committee members present; Fitzgerald absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Chisam, seconded by Donovan to approve the April 1, 2008 Traffic Safety Committee meeting minutes as submitted. The motion carried by the affirmative vote of all committee members present; Fitzgerald absent.

PUBLIC FORUM: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE ON ANY ITEM OF PUBLIC INTEREST THAT IS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY; INCLUDES AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS. NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS. SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO A FIVE (5) MINUTE PRESENTATION. No one came forward to speak and the public hearing was closed.

CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST TO INSTALL A CROSSWALK ON SAN LUIS STREET AT THE AVALON ADULT COMMUNITY GATES (DON PUF AHL). There was committee member discussion and it was stated that this item had come before the Traffic Safety Committee at least twice before. It was also stated that installing a crosswalk at mid-block may give pedestrians a false sense of security when crossing the street, and that this is not a current practice in the City of Los Banos.

Motion by Donovan, seconded by Guintini, the request was denied. The motion carried by the affirmative vote of all committee members present; Fitzgerald absent.

CONSIDERATION OF LEFT TURN LANE EXTENSION ON H STREET AT THE 7TH STREET INTERSECTION. There was committee member discussion, and it was

suggested to have the City Engineer run the scenario through the new traffic model to see if the existing left turn lane needs to be lengthened.

Motion by Gallagher, seconded by Donovan to request that the City Engineer run the scenario through the new traffic model to see if the existing left turn land needs to be lengthened. The motion carried by the affirmative vote of all committee members present; Fitzgerald absent.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS. None.

ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned at the hour of 2:22 p.m.

APPROVED:

/ s / Dan Fitchie
Dan Fitchie, Chairman

ATTEST:

/ s / Jana R. Sousa
Jana R. Sousa, Secretary