

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR STUDY SESSION
OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE
PLANNING COMMISSION
September 3, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
100 Avenida Presidio
San Clemente, CA 92672**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Darden called the Regular Study Session of the Planning Commission of the City of San Clemente to order at 6:02 p.m. in City Council Chambers, located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, CA 92672.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Wayne Eggleston, Barton Crandell, Michael Smith, and Kathleen Ward; Chair pro tem Jim Ruehlin, Vice Chairperson Donald Brown, and Chairperson Julia Darden

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Jim Pechous, City Planner
Thomas Frank, Transportation Engineering Manager
Jennifer Rosales, Senior Traffic Engineer
Eileen White, Recording Secretary

AGENDA

- A. Status update on the transportation CIP projects and other traffic items being addressed by the City.

Thomas Frank, Transportation Engineering Manager, narrated a PowerPoint Presentation entitled, "Transportation Update and Study Session, Tom Franks and Jennifer Rosales, dated September 3, 2014." He reviewed CIP projects recently completed, provided the status of ongoing projects, and discussed upcoming ones. Staff recommended the Commission provide input and receive and file the staff report.

Commissioner Smith suggested staff consider adding signage, flashing lights, or other type of educational message at the intersection of Camino Capistrano and Pacific Coast Highway to alert all users to each others' presence. He anticipates the intersection growing in usage once the new bike trail from the intersection to North Beach is completed. Mr. Frank indicated staff had been in discussion regarding the best signage to install.

Jennifer Rosales, Senior Traffic Engineer, provided an update on traffic synchronization. She noted synchronization is completed for Avenida Pico and El Camino Real; anticipated completion of synchronization for Camino de Los Mares and Avenida Vista Hermosa in spring of 2015; advised next streets will be Camino Vera Cruz and Avenida La Pata. She demonstrated the web based central system that allows staff to review and revise if necessary; discussed benefits of the system; described adjustments made to accommodate seasonal traffic such as the school year. She displayed a video and discussed the benefits of modern traffic roundabouts, including, increased safety for pedestrians and motorists, calmer traffic speeds, and decreased emissions from cars idling at stop signs/signals.

Report received and filed.

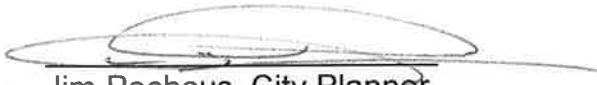
COMMISSION COMMENT:

RECESS - Recess until 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Darden, Chair

Attest:



Jim Pechous, City Planner

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