

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE
PLANNING COMMISSION
February 22, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.
San Clemente City Hall Council Chambers
910 Calle Negocio, San Clemente, CA 92673
Teleconference via www.san-clemente.org/live or Cox Channel 854**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair McKhann called the Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of San Clemente to order at 6:08 p.m. The meeting was offered in person at San Clemente City Hall Council Chambers, 910 Calle Negocio, San Clemente, California, 92673, and also via live stream from the City's YouTube Channel or live on Cox Channel 854.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner McCaughan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Barton Crandell, Gary P. McCaughan, M.D.; Vice Chair Cameron Cosgrove, Chair Scott McKhann

Commissioners Absent: Brent Davis, Karen Prescott-Loeffler, Chair pro tem M. Steven Camp

Staff Present: Adam Atamian, Deputy Community Development Director
Jonathan Lightfoot, Economic Development Officer, (Acting Commission Secretary)
Cecilia Gallardo-Daly, Community Development Director
Zachary Ponsen, Acting Deputy Public Works Director
Ryan Kim, Senior Civil/Traffic Engineer
Matthew Richardson, Assistant City Attorney

4. SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. Recognition of Commissioner Barton Crandell

Commission and staff presented Commissioner Crandell with a plaque commemorating his lengthy legacy as a valuable member of the Commission and leadership contributor throughout the past 12 years.

Acting Secretary Lightfoot read aloud a letter from Commissioner Prescott-Loeffler praising Commissioner Crandell for his service. The Commissioners present and staff lauded Commissioner Crandell for his generosity, wisdom, integrity, positive

Malone, and Rob Wagner supported the improvements proposed by staff; described difficulties exiting housing tracks due to traffic hazards including sight distance impediments, steep grades and speeding drivers; A resident requested similar improvements for nearby Avenida Vista Montana as well; requested a safety rail or trees at the Calle Del Cerro/Vista Montana 3-way intersection to prevent cars from driving into the homes and yards of residents; suggested additional improvements for the area including crosswalk safety lights, additional sidewalks, speed humps, traffic enforcement officer, and any other safety measure staff deems appropriate for the location.

Chair McKhann closed the public hearing.

Commission Comments/Suggestions:

- Supported the proposed improvements as proposed by staff; requested staff continue to consider and propose traffic calming measures for the area as warranted.
- Supported staff meeting with the Master HOA to discuss permanent physical barriers at the Calle Del Cerro/Avenida Vista Montana intersection to protect homes that back up to the three-way intersection; recommended that staff review whether the Villagio II HOA should replant trees that were located in this area previously; acknowledged difficulty of the Traffic Engineering Division's desire to appease residents and increase safety on the streets while at the same time complying with standards set to qualify intersections for stop signs and crosswalks.
- Recommended spot enforcement/citations of traffic infractions, especially after installation of improvements.
- Suggested staff contact the Business Park HOA, to notify the property owners/businesses in the area to ask their employees/clients to observe speed limits and be mindful of the safety of children and other road users.
- Expressed an interest in reviewing the final result of the UC Berkley Safe Transportation Study and incorporating other traffic safety improvements in the City.

IT WAS MOVED BY VICE CHAIR COSGROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CRANDELL AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO:

- 1) Forward to City Council a recommendation to approve restriping Calle Del Cerro for bicycle lane facilities;
- 2) Forward a resolution to the City Council for the addition of an all-way stop and crosswalk at the intersection of Avenida Vista Montana as shown in the Attachments and with minor revisions as needed to conform with California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices;
- 3) Include in the staff report for City Council consideration: direction that Code Enforcement staff conduct meetings with the relevant Homeowners Associations