

**RANCHO BERNARDO COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD**  
**JOINT TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting on August 27, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Co-Chairman Robin Kaufman.

Attending were: Robin Kaufman, Althea Altenbern, Andrea Thomas, Kathy Keehan, Richard House, Bill Renstrom, Irv Sherman, Myrna Reese, Dick Katz, Dick Walker, Joe Dirks and Jay Riordan. Guests were: Eelia Henderscheid, Steve Martin, Karen Heumann and son Karrson.

Ms Henderscheid wanted assistance in getting four way stop signs installed at the intersection of Florindo and Mattinal. After a fatal accident in that area, she contacted City Traffic Engineering requesting the four way stop signs be installed. The Traffic Engineering Department did visit the site and advised Eelia that the volume in that intersection did not meet the City standards for installation of stop signs. She was advised that she could continue her efforts to get the stop signs by contacting the Traffic Committee and initiating the Alternative Method. Richard House asked if there was a study by the City Traffic Engineers. Eelia said that they merely came and looked at the intersection. Robin Kaufman said that she would contact the City Traffic Engineering Department and request a traffic strip be used to measure the volume of traffic at the intersection. Eelia was advised about the need to get signatures of all residents who live in the blocks that would be affected by the stop signs. Robin said that she would check to find out the percentage of signatures required on the Request for the stop signs and would call Eelia at 451-7967.

Robin advised the Committee that a resident had contacted SD Traffic Engineering and asked that a stop sign be placed at the corner of Chieftain Court and Mattinal. The request was approved after it was determined that the intersection did meet the standards for installation of a stop sign. The Traffic Committee was asked by the City to review the action and advise if there was any objection. A motion was made by Kathy Keehan and seconded by Andrea Thomas to advise the city that the Traffic Committee had no objection. The motion was approved unanimously. It will not be necessary to take this issue to the Planning Board since it had already been approved by Traffic Engineering.

Kathy Keehan stated that the change in the Planning Board bylaws with respect to the Traffic Committee should have been brought to the Traffic Committee before it was approved by the Planning Board.

Robin Kaufman reviewed the change in the Planning Board bylaws and the potential impact on the Traffic Committee. The new bylaws would require that there would only be a Chairman of the Traffic Committee and not two co-chairman. The Chairman would be a member of the Planning Board. She advised the members that she had made a motion at the last Planning Board meeting to submit a deviation to the bylaws to maintain the Traffic Committee as a Joint Committee of the Planning Board and Community Council. The motion was not approved by a vote of 10 to 4. She is going to ask the Planning Board Administrative Committee to put reconsideration of her motion as an agenda item for the next Planning Board meeting.

Karen Heumann, an Assistant City Attorney, addressed the Committee to explain that the City Attorney's Office has several members who were former Planning Board members. Karen served as the Chairman of the Rancho Bernardo Planning Board several years ago. The City Attorney wants to protect Planning Board members if any legal action is brought against a Planning Board or any of the members as long as the Planning Board has followed all the rules. The City Attorney and his staff want to work with the Planning Boards and are working with the Planning Department and Planning Boards to help them to help them up date their bylaws. Currently, there is no consistency in the bylaws of the 40 some Planning Boards with some Boards having outlandish sections in their bylaws. The City Planning Department has provided a shell bylaw as a guide.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.