



RANCHO BERNARDO JOINT TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Minutes September 27, 2010 MEETING

MEETING LOCATION- WESTWOOD CLUB—7PM

- 1 Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7pm. Members in attendance: Dick Katz, Robin Kaufman, Joe Dirks, Alethea Altenbern. Unexcused: Richard House. Residents present: Seymour Glick, Jerry Sack.
- 2 Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved with noted correction of when meeting began.
- 3 Problems on Matinal Road: Seymour Glick, Matinal Road resident, reviewed his comments presented at the September Community Council meeting, which included:
 - a. He feels Matinal Road is presently being utilized as a short cut. On September 21, he did a vehicle count 6:45 am – 8 am. There were 455 vehicles, equaling one vehicle every 10 seconds. A second vehicle count took place 3 – 5 pm. There were 554 vehicles, equaling 1 vehicle every three seconds. Although he did not have a speed monitor, he estimates 50% were going above the speed limit.
 - b. Due to the above, he suggested all way stop signs at all Matinal Rd intersections, installation of speed humps on some of the artery streets, speed limit reduced to 15 miles per hour.
 - c. After college begins classes, he has suggested that perhaps parking permits be given to residents to assure students will not take over the street with their vehicles.

-After his presentation, the committee attempted to address his concerns. Robin Kaufman informed him that the committee's first step would be to contact the city traffic department and ask for one of those counter strips. We would also ask for police monitoring of the street. Robin also informed him that some of his neighbors had contacted him stating they were beginning a petition to obtain some stop signs and that she would put him in touch with them. Robin also informed him of the parking situation we addressed by RB High School a number of years ago when residents wanted similar

permit parking. We wound up placing limited parking signs on the streets which helped deter student parking. As for reducing speed limit, generally the rule is 25 miles per hour in residential areas unless posted otherwise (higher).

-Joe Dirks suggested we also look into traffic accidents/speeding incidents recorded by the city on Matinal Road.

- The committee has asked Dick Katz to contact Steve Denny in regard to a traffic strip, a temporary speed monitor, accident/speeding history, stop sign suggestions and possibility of lowering speed.

- 4 Pedestrian Crosswalk at Acena and Obispo. Mr. Jerry Sack presented signed petition for crosswalk on north side of Obispo and two warning signs. Motion was made by Joe Dirks, seconded by Bill Renstrom. Motion passed unanimously.
- 5 Other Items:
 - a. Jerry Sack presented committee with a well thought out document on the Palomar College alleged traffic problem. He would like to see Palomar College and the community be proactive by developing an adhoc committee with a representative from the Community Council, Public Safety Committee, Traffic Committee, Palomar College and Planning Board to review possible traffic problems and act upon them ahead of time. He also suggested that signs be placed at the exit of the college by the traffic light indicating traffic can only make a left or right turn and cannot go straight (into Matinal Road) and vice versa.
 - b. Alethea Altenbern gave an update on a non-traffic committee issue, which she brought up last month – traffic safety in the RB library parking lot. She informed the committee she was in touch with someone and gave her the suggestions of having traffic go one way only in the parking lot to help with safety matters of backing up from parking spots since the area is very narrow. The woman she was in contact with said she would get back to her.
- 6 Adjourned: Meeting adjourned 7:45 pm.
Respectfully submitted by Robin Kaufman