

Rancho Bernardo Joint Traffic/Transportation Committee
Meeting Minutes November 27, 2006
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1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Co-chair Dick Katz. The following Committee members were present: Kathy Keehan, Alethea Altenbern, Hal Altenbern, Richard House, Jim Denton, Marty Lave, Dick Walker, Myrna Reese, and George Cooke. Also present were Irving Sherman (resident) and Elizabeth Himchak (Pomerado News). The meeting was held in the 2nd floor conference room at the San Diego National Bank.
2. The minutes from the September 25, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted. (There was no meeting in October, because a Public Traffic Forum was held in place of the normal meeting.)
3. Residents Remarks – None.
4. Update on the parking issue at Poblado and Botero. It was reported that there is no news since last month's Traffic Forum in Westwood.
5. Decorative Pavement design at Paseo Lucido - Irv Sherman presented a proposal (on behalf of Tom Reid) for the decorative pavement design to address traffic related issues on Paseo Lucido (the portion of the street that is on the north side of Bernardo Heights Parkway). Irv re-read Tom's written proposal describing how the problem is worsened by I-15 overflow causing congestion on Paseo Lucido. The proposal was to pave the walkway with brick pavers and also the intersection at Calle Tamega at Fairway Heights South. He also proposed a dual left turn lane onto Bernardo Heights Parkway, but reported that the City says it has no money. Tom Reid's suggestion is to approve the concept and then go to the RB Planning Board. After that, to go to the Community HOA's to ask them for funding. Tom is looking into cost estimates. Marty Lave commented that this is similar to something that was done in Eastview, and from that experience, the City will require the community to also pay for maintenance of the pavers. A motion was introduced by Jim Denton, seconded by Dick Katz, and amended by Kathy Keehan, to ask that the pavers not interfere with bike lanes. The motion was to put this on the Planning Board agenda to send a letter to the City asking for the following: (a) Signal modifications at the intersection of BH Pkwy and Paseo Lucido allowing two lanes to turn left onto westbound BH Pkwy; (b) Pavement treatment at that intersection AND at the intersection of Calle Tamega and Paseo Lucido (to be done in a way that is bike friendly); and (c) to install bike lanes on Paseo Lucido between the east and west ends at BH Pkwy. The motion passed 9-0-1 (with one abstained).
6. High Country West stop sign update – George reported that, with the results of a recent neighborhood petition, the installation of the all-way stop on Cloudcrest / Lofty Trail at Turtleback Lane is expected to be completed by December 15.

7. RB Road right turn lane to I-15 south – Alethea described a problem where traffic short cuts into the shoulder lane, causing safety problems at the entrance to I-15 south. Kathy Keehan said that the line is there to reserve an area during construction and that it will be fixed after the ramp modifications are done.
8. Walk Signs – Alethea reported, as an informational item, that she saw some nice walk signs on a recent visit to Virginia. They are “count down timers”, similar to what we see in a few areas in Poway. These had been suggested for Bernardo Center Drive at Bernardo Plaza Court, but the obstacle was to find funding.
9. Other Items – Kathy Keehan reported that the re-paving has just been done on West Bernardo Drive, and that area will now be getting new bike lanes.
10. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm. There will not be a meeting in December, so the next meeting will be on Monday, January 22, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the San Diego National Bank.