

## **La Jolla Traffic and Transportation Board**

### **Minutes January 27, 2006**

**Meeting Called to order 4:00 pm. La Jolla Rec Center**

**Present:** Vice Chair – John Beaver (LJSA), Deborah Marengo (PLJ), Paul Metcalf (BRCC), Mary Coakley (LJCPA), Sherri Lightner (LJSA), Joe LaCava (BRCC), Van Van Inwegen (LJTC), Greg Salmon (LJSA), Reza Gashemi (PLJ)

**Chair John Beaver addressed the audience on the purpose of the committee and procedures.**

**Minutes**

**Motion – To approve the minutes from December 2005 TNT meeting**

**Maker: Van Inwegen/Salmon Vote: 7-0-1**

### **Public Comment**

**Dan Allen** – Torrey Pines Road Corridor Study: Dan wanted to remind the Board that the traffic light on TPR and Hillside was not part of the plan and that there are many residents and some members of the study group in favor of the traffic light. He is concerned that the T&T Board's unanimous support for the plan will be interpreted as a unanimous community position against the traffic light. He has also heard that the city traffic engineers are reluctant to proceed with the recommendations of the study without a traffic light to protect pedestrian crossings, and so the issue may come back to the community.

**Paul Metcalf** – Announced that the T&T Committee will begin a discussion in February regarding community wide traffic issues and the advisability of developing a community wide plan to coordinate these issues in concert with the new Traffic Calming Program process recently instituted by the City of San Diego.

### **Agenda Items**

#### **1. Jack's Restaurant – Valet and Time Change**

**Bill Berkley/Sam Hasenin**

Item continued from the previous month. A discussion regarding the installation of the valet zone and Saks building garage operations.

Bill Berkley presented a petition with 281 signatures from neighbors supporting the need for the Valet. Promote La Jolla also presented to Sam Hasenin a motion passed at its previous board meeting to unanimously support the valet zone in front of Jack's Restaurant.

Ace Parking was asked to on a trial basis to keep the garage open during peak times for the restaurant, Thursday, Friday and Saturday for public parking. They agreed to a trial basis and would return to the board in few months to show the numbers of people self parking to determine whether or not the garage shall remain open.

It was determined that the Valet service will remove a significant number of vehicles from parking impacts on the street.

**Motion – To approve the request for Valet at Jack's Restaurant, operation shall be four parking spaces daily from 11:30 to 6:00 pm then increasing the number of spaces to 8 from 6:00 pm to 2:00 am on Girard Avenue with signage indicating valet times and Saks garage parking.**

**Makers:** Gashemi/Metcalf **Vote** 5-2-1

**2. Avenida de la Playa – Follow up to parking directions changes on the 2200 block from parallel to angles.**

**Gary Pence – City of San Diego**

Presented parking configuration – with changes we would have a reduction in on street parking. Gary felt that the City was not ready to make a decision and will continue to meet on this issue. He will be meeting with Martin Mosier and others in the community and then returning to the Board.

**3. Route 30/34 Bus System Changes – Information only**

**Mark Thomsen, SD MTS**

A presentation on the restructuring in bus route 34 with a new route 30 and the financial sustainability of MTS. MTS map and changes attached as part of the minutes. Resolution passed by the LJTC entered into the minutes and attached.

Public comment – generally people were disappointed in MTS recommendation to reduce service.

[www.sdcommute.com](http://www.sdcommute.com) will have more information for those interested

#### **4. La Jolla Village Drive Project – Update and completion date of the project**

##### **Mark Koll, City of San Diego**

In the final stages it is anticipated that the construction will be completed by February 28, 2006. Final work includes signal modifications, sidewalks will be completed when electrical contractor is complete.

Mark was asked to review north bound left hand turn lanes on TPR, J. La Cava asked that he return to the Board after reviewing the volume of cars turning left. There is a concern that traffic turning right is backing up to Glenbrook and the double left turn lane is the cause.

Sherri Lightner asked if a pedestrian ramp will be completed on the cul-de-sac, presently there is no sidewalk installed and there is a fire hydrant in the way. Mark stated that the sidewalk will be installed around the hydrant with ADA accessibility requirements.

J. Beaver asked that the stripping for left hand turn lane to La Jolla Scenic also be reviewed. It appears that there is room to widen the lanes and avoid traffic backing up by re-stripping.

Mark will return next month to report on these issues.

#### **5. La Jolla High School – Off the Wall**

##### **Sandra Prinzi – Production Coordinator**

No changes in the event from last year except for the name. Formerly Mardi Gras in May will now be called Off the Wall.

##### **Motion – to approve the event as presented**

**Maker – Marengo/Metcalf**

**Vote – 8-0-0**

## **6. La Jolla Mesa Drive pedestrian crossing at LJ Mesa and Van Nuys.**

### **Ken Nordholm, Resident**

Mr. Nordholm presented the concerns of parents walking their children to school (Birdrock Elementary) . Crossing La Jolla Mesa is very dangerous for people, automobiles speeding down the street do not see people crossing and would like a recommendation from the board for the installation of traffic calming measures. Parents would like a stop sign installed. Birdrock Elementary supports the installation of a stop sign. City Staff noted that the warrants do not meet the requirements for the installation of a stop sign.

Staff recommended the installation of new signs in the cross walk, add some red curb so that cars do not park blocking the visibility of the crosswalk with cross hatching and stripping to narrow the lanes to slow traffic.

Board instructed staff to begin with crosswalk and stripping measures and report back as to the Board the results. Chair asked that the City notify affected neighbors of the changes.

**Motion: to approve moving forward with Staff recommendation for the crosswalk, red curb, signs, hatching and re-stripping as soon as possible**

**Maker: Gashemi/La Cava**

**Vote: 8-0-0**

Birdrock traffic calming measures will narrow down La Jolla Mesa at Linda Rosa just north of Van Nuys which will slow traffic and should be installed in a year.

## **7. Soledad Mountain Road – Information from the City regarding speed and accident history.**

**Bob Backey**

**Gary Pence**

Speeding concerns and recent accident on Sagebrush. SMR is classified collector street and recommend as a first step the installation of a V Calm sign. Location and installation where discussed. A property owner offered to have the sign installed in front of his home. Residents would also like to see a crosswalk installed. Residents do not want a stop sign installed.

Gary to meet with Residents for the installation of the solar powered V-Calm and notify other residents in the area.

No motion need to install V-Calm sign in each direction since City has determined they will go ahead with the installation

**Motion to Adjourn.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Marengo  
Secretary