

La Jolla Traffic and Transportation Board

Minutes April 27, 2006

Meeting Called to order 4:05 pm. La Jolla Rec Center

Present: Vice Chair –John Beaver (LJTC), Reza Ghasemi (PLJ), Chuck Patton (BRCC Alternate, sitting in for Paul Metcalf), Mary Coakley (LJCPA), Sherri Lightner (LJSA), Joe LaCava (BRCC), Jim Heaton (LJSA), Earl Van Inwegen (LJTC)

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

Minutes

Mr. Heaton asked for a correction to the March minutes of the 3 V-calm signs approved, two had already been approved. The committees action was to approve the third sign that lacks funding which might be funded in FY07 by the City, add Mr. Van Inwegen to the Present list - Deemed approved

Public Comment

Joe Dicks – Mr. Dicks read from the LJ Shores Association Minutes from April: "The LJSA opposes the proposed amendments to the La Jolla PDO to allow three story buildings and increased FARs because they would adversely affect our community." Mr. Dicks asked if the committee would take a position on the changes to the LJ PDO as they increase density and therefore traffic. S. Lightner suggested the Chair docket the item for the next meeting

Joe La Cava – suggested the group examine the way they communicate to the CPA about what is happening at the committee meetings.

Question from the audience: Do members of the Traffic and Transportation Board recuse themselves in instances where there might be conflict of interest.

Sherri Lightner asked the Chair to make sure that the Shores Association is on the mailing list, they did not get a copy of last months minutes until after their meeting. Ms. Lightner suggested that the Board docket the issue of the proposed amendments to the LJ PDO to allow three story buildings and increased FARs. It was agreed by the Acting Chair to do so.

Comments from the Chair

Acting Chair Beaver reminded the audience that the committee is not proactive but reactive and responsive to issues brought to the board.

Agenda Items

1. Van Nuys Alley in Bird Rock:

Presentation by Siavash Pazargadi regarding the proposal for changing the Van Nuys Alley to one way Westbound and the installation of road lumps in the alley. This change would address the congestion on La Jolla Hermosa for Children's Drop off and Pick Up from School the Van Nuys gate from the school has been closed for safety reasons, and this change would allow the gate to re-open and be the third entry/exit for the school. Traffic Engineering did study and found no significant impacts to the adjacent apartments and to alternative travel methods (one way)

Bev Candage and Stacey Haerr from Birdrock Elementary spoke in favor.

Harry Goldenberg on behalf of Park La Jolla spoke in opposition.

Concerns include, garbage pick up for Apartments, garage access, and maintenance supervisor vehicle (electric golf cart) accessibility.

Acting Chair Beaver recommended that there should be a better polling of the residents around the project including Colima Street and Park La Jolla, and the item should come back next month with verification of better public notice.

2. LJ Village Drive Project - Update to and final steps for this major project. - Mark Koll, City of SD

The Committee expressed their concerns to Mr. Koll that the Torrey Pines North Bound Striping was changed without justification and the dual right turn lanes with a one-lane left turn pocket needs to be reinstated. The Committee asked what will it take to make it get restriped back to the way it was. Mark Koll will communicate with Chair Mark Broido.

3. Upper and Lower Via Capri / Hidden Valley – Presentation of a petition for specific changes along Via Capri/Hidden Valley by residents for the raised median at the intersection - Gary Pence, P.E., City of San Diego Traffic Engineering

Mr. Pence discussed the proposal for a raise median at the intersection of Hidden Valley and Via Capri. The Audience discussed the need for more traffic calming Motion by Mr. Heaton, Second by Mr. Ghasemi to accept the petition for traffic calming as proposed by Gary Pence and consider the landscaping option as Mr. Jeffery Gong the

adjacent property owner as agreed to water and maintain the improvement. Passed unanimously.

Note: Mr. Workman-Dicks lodged more signed petitions with Chair Broido. Gary Pence will notice the neighbors of the improvement moving forward.

4. **La Jolla Blvd. Petition for traffic impacts associated with the “Taste of Birdrock”** Joe LaCava reported to the board that they will be using the previous years traffic plan. Motion by Mr. LaCava to approve BRCC’s proposal to shut down the right lanes of LJ Blvd. From Midway to Camino de La Costa on both sides of the street) on July 13, Second by Mr. Ghasemi passed 7-0 (unanimously)

5. **Joe Dicks, La Jolla Shores Association Lighting Issue:** LJSA unanimously voted to ask the City of San Diego to review light installations as part of the under grounding The Committee should consider passing a resolution regarding street light installations and ask for a presentation by Nathan Burner from the City of SD.

6. Soledad Mtn. Road V Calm Sign installation. A petition was collected with 55 out 60 supporting the installation of a V-Calm Sign at the proposed location. Motion by Mr. Heaton to Approve the proposal, Second by Mr. Ghasemi, passed 7-0 (unanimously)

Motion to Adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany Sherer
Filling in For Deborah Marengo, Secretary