

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - Wed  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019**

**MINUTE ORDER NO. 4**

**SUBJECT: TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (10/16/2019 - ADOPT  
RECOMMENDATIONS; 10/30/2019 - SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE)  
(DISTRICTS: 1, 2, 3, & 5)**

**OVERVIEW**

As part of the Department of Public Works (DPW) traffic engineering program, the Board of Supervisors (Board) established the Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) as an aid in providing uniform traffic regulations throughout the unincorporated areas of the county. The goal of the TAC is to make recommendations to the Board on traffic matters to provide the communities in the unincorporated region with a safe and efficient road system. To accomplish this, it is necessary that traffic policies be established and used to provide persons using the road system with consistent and uniform regulations that are effective and can be legally enforced. The TAC meets every six weeks to review proposed additions, deletions, or changes to regulatory traffic control devices such as speed limits, stop signs, traffic signals, and parking regulations on County-maintained roads. Upon receipt of a request or recommendation for a traffic regulation in unincorporated areas of the county, the TAC reviews and investigates the requested item including engineering studies and studies of traffic conditions.

The TAC recommends the Board act on four items from the July 26, 2019, meeting agenda:

- Item 1-A is a periodic review that is required every seven years and was requested by DPW staff to comply with state law. This will recertify the use of radar for speed enforcement on Briarwood Road from Sweetwater Road to State Route 54 in Bonita. The roadway is currently posted with a 40 MPH speed limit and measured speeds averaged 40.9 MPH. Road operating conditions including collision experience and the narrowing of travelled lanes for installation of bicycle lanes during this summer's regular resurfacing project support a 35 MPH posted speed limit along with the use of radar for enforcement.
- Item 2-A is a periodic review that is required every seven years and was requested by DPW staff to comply with state law. This will recertify the use of radar for speed enforcement on Potrero Valley Road from State Route 94 and Potrero Park Drive in Potrero. The roadway is currently posted with a 40 MPH speed limit and measured speeds averaged 37.9 MPH. Road operating conditions, an adjacent school zone, and measured speeds that allow for a speed reduction support a 35 MPH posted speed limit along with the use of radar for enforcement.
- Item 3-A is a periodic review that is required every seven years and was requested by DPW staff to comply with state law. This will recertify the use of radar for speed enforcement on Mary Lane from the Escondido City Limits (near Jasmine Place) to Summit Drive in unincorporated Escondido. The roadway is currently posted with a 45 MPH speed limit and measured speeds averaged 46.0 MPH. Road operating conditions including collision experience and high residential driveway density support a 40 MPH posted speed limit along with the use of radar for enforcement.

- Item 5-A is a periodic review that is required every seven years and was requested by DPW staff to comply with state law. This will recertify the use of radar for speed enforcement on Winter Haven Road from Mission Road to Brooke Road in Fallbrook and certify the speed limit for radar enforcement. The roadway is currently posted with a 45 MPH speed limit and measured speeds averaged 44.5 MPH. Road operating conditions, adjacent land uses including schools and residences, and measured speeds that allow for a speed reduction support a 40 MPH posted speed limit along with the use of radar for enforcement.

The Board's action on Item 1-A, 2-A, 3-A, & 5-A would revise the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances (County Code) and would require two steps. On October 16, 2019, the Board would consider the TAC items. If the Board takes action on October 16, 2019, then on October 30, 2019, a second reading of an ordinance amending County Code would be necessary to implement the Board's direction.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

### **TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

#### **District 1:**

Item 1-A. Briarwood Road from Sweetwater Road to State Route 54 in Bonita - Reduce the 40 MPH speed limit to 35 MPH and certify the 35 MPH speed limit for radar enforcement.

#### **District 2:**

Item 2-A. Potrero Valley Road from State Route 94 and Potrero Park Drive in Potrero - Reduce the 40 MPH speed limit to 35 MPH and certify the 35 MPH speed limit for radar enforcement.

#### **District 3:**

Item 3-A. Mary Lane from the Escondido City Limits (near Jasmine Place) to Summit Drive in Escondido - Reduce the 45 MPH speed limit to 40 MPH and certify the 40 MPH speed limit for radar enforcement.

#### **District 5:**

Item 5-A. Winter Haven Road from Mission Road to Brooke Road in Fallbrook - Reduce the 45 MPH speed limit to 40 MPH and certify the 40 MPH speed limit for radar enforcement.

## **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as specified under Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines because the proposed action involves minor alterations of existing public facilities relating to regulatory traffic control issues on County maintained roadways, resulting in negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.
2. Adopt the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendations.
3. Approve the introduction, read title, and waive further reading of the following Ordinance: ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 72.161.95., 72.164.11., 72.169.54.1., AND 72.169.77.3. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO SPEED LIMITS ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY (Items 1-A, 2-A, 3-A, & 5-A).

If, on October 16, 2019, the Board takes action as recommended, then, on October 30, 2019:

Consider and adopt the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 72.161.95., 72.164.11., 72.169.54.1., AND 72.169.77.3. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO SPEED LIMITS ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY (Items 1-A, 2-A, 3-A, & 5-A).

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Operational Plan for the Department of Public Works Road Fund. If approved, there will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

#### **ACTION:**

ON MOTION of Supervisor Gaspar, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, introducing the Ordinance for further Board consideration and adoption on October 30, 2019.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Gaspar, Fletcher, Desmond

State of California)  
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



**Signed**

**by** Marvice Mazyck, Chief Deputy