

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - LAND USE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2023**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 10

SUBJECT: TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND RELATED CEQA EXEMPTION (05/24/2023 - ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDING INTRODUCING AN ORDINANCE; 06/14/2023 - SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE, UNLESS ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING) (DISTRICTS: 1, 2, & 5)

OVERVIEW

The Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) supports the Department of Public Works (DPW) traffic engineering program. The TAC was established by the Board of Supervisors (Board) in the 1960s to provide traffic regulations and recommendations within the unincorporated areas of the county. To be effective, TAC proposes policies that will enhance safety, reduce congestion, and be legally enforceable. 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 of San Diego (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 and traffic condition studies. TAC recommendations are provided to the Board for consideration.

The TAC recommends the Board act on five items from the January 27, 2023, TAC meeting agenda:

Items from the 01/27/2023 TAC Meeting			
District	Item	Location	Action
1	1-A*	Jamacha Rd, from Osage Dr to Sweetwater Rd, in La Presa	Reduce the 45 miles per hour (MPH) speed limit to 40 MPH and certify.
1	1-B*	Central Ave, from Bonita Rd to Corral Canyon Rd, in Bonita	Certify the 35 MPH speed limit.
2	2-A	Ninth St & H St in Ramona	Establish an all-way stop intersection.
2	2-B	Six intersections in San Diego Country Estates: •Vista Ramona Rd and Arena Way •Vista Ramona Rd and Sargeant Rd •Arena Way and Open View Rd •Arena Way and Arena Dr •Arena Way and Gunn Stage Rd - Arena Dr and Del Amo Rd	Establish all-way stop intersections.
5	5-A*	West Lilac Rd, from Camino del Rey to Old Highway 395, in Bonsall	Recertify the 45 MPH speed limit.
*Indicates second reading of the ordinance is required.			

Approval of Item 1-A on Jamacha Road in La Presa CPA (District 1), Item 1-B on Central Avenue in Bonita (District 1), and Item 5-A on West Lilac Road in Bonsall (District 5) would support speed enforcement which enhances roadway safety and retains mobility. Properly posted speed limits provide feedback to drivers to improve traffic safety, reduce the number and severity of collisions, and allow for fair enforcement.

Approval of Item 2-A at Ninth Street and H Street in Ramona (District 2) and Item 2-B at six intersections in San Diego Country Estates will provide safety enhancement measures for pedestrians, bicyclists, and all other roadway users by assigning a full stop to all approaches at intersections. Properly posted stop controls at intersections reduce the number and severity of collisions by assuring reasonable drivers enter intersections at a low speed and have more time to take heed of the traffic situation.

The following items do not revise the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances (County Code) and therefore do not require a second reading of an ordinance. Board direction on May 24, 2023, would allow implementation by DPW of Item 2-A on Ninth Street and H Street in Ramona (District 2) and Item 2-B on six intersections in San Diego Country Estates (District 2). Board direction on May 24, 2023, would allow implementation by DPW.

The Board's action on Item 1-A on Jamacha Road in La Presa (District 1), Item 1-B on Central Avenue in Bonita (District 1), and Item 5-A on West Lilac Road in Bonsall (District 5) would introduce an ordinance to amend a speed limit zone. This action would revise County Code and requires two steps. On May 24, 2023, the Board would consider the TAC items. If the Board takes action as recommended on May 24, then on June 14, 2023, a second reading and adoption of ordinances amending County Code would be necessary to implement the Board's direction. If the proposed ordinance is altered on June 14, 2023, then on that date a subsequent meeting date will be selected for the ordinance's adoption.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

District 1:

Item 1-A. Jamacha Road from Osage Drive to Sweetwater Road in La Presa - Reduce the 45 miles per hour (MPH) speed limit to 40 MPH and certify.

Item 1-B. Central Avenue from Bonita Road to Corral Canyon Road in Bonita - Certify the 35 MPH speed limit.

District 2:

Item 2-A. Ninth Street & H Street in Ramona - Establish an all-way stop intersection.

Item 2-B. Six intersections in San Diego Country Estates - Establish six all-way stop intersections.

District 5:

Item 5-A. West Lilac Road from Camino del Rey to Old Highway 395 in Bonsall - Recertify the 45 MPH speed limit.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find that the proposed project is categorically 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 on County of San Diego maintained roadways, resulting in negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.
2. Adopt the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendations.
3. Adopt the following Resolutions:
RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 299 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ALL-WAY STOP INTERSECTIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (Items 2-A & 2-B).

RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 304 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STOP INTERSECTIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (Item 2-A & 2-B).

RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 305 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THROUGH HIGHWAYS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (Items 2-A & 2-B).

RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 306 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF YIELD RIGHT-OF-WAY INTERSECTIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (Item 2-B).

4. Approve the introduction of the following Ordinance:
ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 72.163.54. AND 72.164.56. AND DELETING SECTION 72.169.74.8. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO SPEED LIMITS ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY (Items 1-A, 1-B, & 5-A).

If, on May 24, 2023, the Board takes action as recommended, then, on June 14, 2023:

Consider and adopt the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 72.163.54. AND 72.164.56. AND DELETING SECTION 72.169.74.8. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO SPEED LIMITS ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY (Items 1-A, 1-B, & 5-A).

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The review of traffic signs, intersection controls and roadway markings support vehicle safety on County of San Diego maintained roads. The transportation system must be safe for all road users, for all modes of transportation, in all communities, and for people of all incomes, races, ethnicities, ages, and abilities. Understanding travel patterns, where correctable crashes are occurring and the disproportionate impacts on certain communities will allow the Department of Public Works (DPW) to identify actions to address the underlying causes, enhance safety, and ensure justice in the enforcement of traffic regulations.

DPW's Local Road Safety Program reviews correctable collisions along road segments within the unincorporated areas of the county and utilizes the Healthy Places Index and CalEnviroScreen to ensure underserved populations are prioritized. The Traffic Advisory Committee relies on the Local Road Safety Plan and performs reviews of regulatory traffic control devices such as signs and markings. While adherence to sign and marking standards developed by the California Department of Transportation is crucial to obtaining the compliance of the majority of drivers, the Traffic Advisory Committee also relies on various community engagement methods such as the Tell Us Now! Mobile app, toll-free hotlines, and a customer service request program to intake reports on a wide variety of traffic concerns and ensure the concerns are addressed.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Traffic Advisory Committee has made addressing sustainability a top priority by partnering with local communities and industry leaders in a monthly public forum to find timely, reasonable, and cost-effective in-road traffic solutions that reduce costly traffic delays, mitigate vehicle idling to reduce emissions, improve fire response times and regional readiness.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan in the Department of Public Works Road Fund. If approved, this request will result in costs of \$24,160 for staff time, materials, and supplies. The funding source is State Highway User Tax Account. 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 Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, adopting the following:

Resolution No. 23-048, entitled: RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 299 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ALL-WAY STOP INTERSECTIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO;

Resolution No. 23-049, entitled: RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 304 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STOP INTERSECTIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO;

Resolution No. 23-050, entitled: RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 305 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THROUGH HIGHWAYS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO;

Resolution No. 23-051, entitled: RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 306 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF YIELD RIGHT-OF-WAY INTERSECTIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO; and,

Took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on June 14, 2023.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Desmond

ABSENT: (District 4 Seat Vacant)

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 Andrew Potter

MAY 24, 2023