



# CITY OF ATWATER

## TRAFFIC COMMISSION

### ACTION MINUTES

June 18, 2009

#### CALL TO ORDER

*The City of Atwater Traffic Commission met in a regular session this date at 4:00 PM in the Council Chambers at 750 Bellevue Road, Atwater, California; Chairperson Hawthorne presiding.*

#### ROLL CALL

**Present:** Police Chief Hawthorne, Senior Planner Hendrix, Commission Members, Mosley-Maples, Blackwood, Raymond, and Warchol.

**Absent:** None  
**Staff Present:** Streets Division Manager Sorensen and Recording Secretary Mead.

**Staff Absent:** City Engineer Hollstein.

#### COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

*The notice to the public was read. None present*

#### MINUTES

Minutes from regular meeting May 21, 2009

**Recommendation:** Approval of Minutes.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Raymond moved to approve minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mosley-Maples and the vote was: Ayes: Hendrix, Blackwood, Raymond and Warchol; Noes: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

BUSINESS

Request to designate Packers Street to a One Way street, or erect No Parking signs on one side of the street to resolve the narrow clearance and re-stripe existing Loading Zone markings for Memorial Ballpark.

***MOTION: Commissioner Raymond moved to designate the Westside of Packers Street from Elm Avenue to Cedar Avenue "No Stopping Anytime" and re-stripe the loading zone on Elm Avenue at the corner of Packers Street. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Warchol and the vote was: Ayes: Hawthorne, Hendrix, Mosley-Maples Blackwood, Raymond and Warchol; Noes: None Absent: The motion carried.***

REPORTS, FOLLOW-UP AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Follow-up on Fruitland Avenue with regards to signage re-placement.

**Street Division Manager reported the signs were repositioned. The speed limit sign has been placed prior to the advisory sign on Fruitland Avenue traveling east toward the curve from Winton Way.**

Follow-up on staff research placing a new street sign with Dead End Affixed on the later portion of the sign and post Children at Play signage for E. Grove Avenue at Albiani park.

**Street Division Manager Sorensen will research the aforementioned street sign to see if the sign meets Caltrans standards. If the sign meets Caltrans specifications, the sign will be ordered and affixed on the existing pole. He will place a guide sign indicating Albiani Park on Almador Terrace.**

Discussion regarding the costs associated with placing an embedded crosswalk into a roadway, the lead time for completion of the project including the company the City utilizes, and the time line of PG&E to hook up electricity to the crosswalk.

**Warchol indicated the Council has allocated \$50,000 for an embedded crosswalk on Winton Way and Olive Ave.**

**Street Division Manager explained the City workers have installed the embedded crosswalks around the city. PG & E does not provide a timeline for electrical hook up. The equipment costs are in excess of \$25,000 for parts and the timeline to receive the parts will depend on the availability as the materials are shipped from Germany. Sorensen reported the projected location at Winton Way and Olive, does not have a power supply pole and PG & E must be contacted to find out if it would be possible to tie into the power pole 40 feet away. The traffic study by TKJM Engineering recommended a lighted intersection at the same location discussed for the embedded crosswalk. Sorensen further reported the sidewalks will have to be configured for wheelchair access.**

Hawthorne provided a suggestion to work toward the recommendation from TKJM for the Signal light intersection instead of spending funds for an embedded crosswalk.

**MOTION:** *Commissioner Raymond moved to direct staff to research costs attributed to the installation of an embedded crosswalk at Winton Way and Olive Avenue and the costs for a controlled intersection. Hawthorne will bring a draft to the next meeting. Hawthorne will provide information to the Finance Committee and the Public Works Committee regarding the research. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Warchol and the vote was Ayes: Hawthorne, Hendrix, Mosley-Maples, Blackwood, Raymond and Warchol; Noes: None Absent: The motion carried.*

TRAFFIC COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

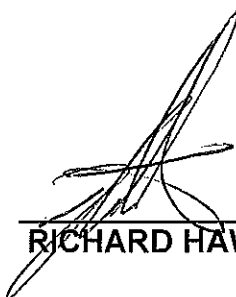
*Commissioner Raymond reminded the commission that Shaffer School does not have an embedded crosswalk to keep it in mind while discussing embedded crosswalks.*

ADJOURNMENT:

**MOTION:** *Commissioner Raymond moved to adjourned meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Warchol and the vote was: Ayes: Hawthorne, Mosley-Maples, Hendrix, Blackwood, Raymond and Warchol; Noes: None. Absent: The motion carried.*

The meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

APPROVED



RICHARD HAWTHORNE, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:



Patricia Mead, Recording Secretary