

# CITY OF LAWNSDALE

## TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting of October 20, 2022

### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Ahmad Ansari, Interim Public Works Director called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m. in the Public Works Department Conference Room, 4722 Manhattan Beach Blvd., Lawndale, California.

Committee Members Present: Jared Chavez, Manager of Community Development; Michael Reyes, Director of Municipal Services Supervisor; Interim Ahmad Ansari, Public Works Director/City Engineer; Deputy Ricky Osburn, LASD, Deputy Ezequiel Garcia, LASD;

Committee Members absent: None.

Staff Present: Grace Huizar, Administrative Analyst  
Michael Brust, Contract Assistant Engineer

Public present: Eddie Urrutia, Raul Mielith, Felicia Ponce, Richard Ponce

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Eddie Urrutia explained that speed humps are requested because 147<sup>th</sup> Street is treated like an expressway by the vehicles that speed through ignoring the stop signs. This endangers the pedestrians, the children from the nearby elementary school, and the residents that live on this street and in this area.

Felicia Paredes stated that the speeding is excessive on the weekends and there has been an increase of cars doing donuts near the Lucille Smith Elementary School.

### 3. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

#### **A. Request for the installation of a Speed Hump on 147<sup>th</sup> Street between Inglewood Avenue and Grevillea Avenue – Speed Concerns**

Mr. Ansari thanked the public for their comments and presented the item in detail by explaining that he personally inspected the location and presented exhibits illustrating the various intersections on 147<sup>th</sup> Street from Grevillea Avenue to Inglewood Avenue. Mr. Ansari further explained that 147<sup>th</sup> Street functions as a local collector street, and for that reason speed humps are not the appropriate traffic calming solution. There are other options to consider such as edge striping or rumble strips. Mr. Ansari recommends traffic calming efforts that include the Three E's; Engineering, Education, and Enforcement. The next steps will be to inspect the location to ensure proper signage and conduct further studies of vehicles speeds and collision history.

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Mr. Reyes stated that traffic enforcement is key. This will have a direct impact on the speeder and it can be implemented immediately.

Deputy Osburn announced that a new Traffic Motor Officer recently joined his team. He will assign him to monitor the traffic on 147<sup>th</sup> Street as early as the next day and change the hours as needed.

Motion to not approve the speed humps, however, to look into engineering, education, and enforcement for all possible solutions made by Mr. Ahmad Ansari, seconded by Ms. Jared Chavez. All in favor, motion carried.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, the Ahmad Ansari, Interim Public Works Director adjourned the meeting at 2:56 p.m.



Ahmad Ansari, Interim Public Works Director

Attest:



Grace Huizar, Administrative Analyst  
Public Works Department