

# CITY OF LAWNSDALE

## TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting of January 18, 2024

### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Lea Reis, Public Works Director called the meeting to order at 2:17 p.m. in the Public Works Department Conference Room, 4722 Manhattan Beach Blvd., Lawndale, California.

Committee Members Present: Michael Reyes, Director of Municipal Services Supervisor;  
Lea Reis, Public Works Director/City Engineer

Committee Members absent: Jared Chavez, Manager of Community Development; Sargent Justin Smith, LASD

Staff Present: Nick Petrevski, Associate Engineer  
Nabi Sidiqi, Assistant Engineer  
Violet Escobedo, Administrative Assistant

Public present: Norman Masson

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

### 3. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

#### A. Request Installation of Stop Signs on Firmona Avenue and 161<sup>st</sup> Street and Firmona Avenue and 159<sup>th</sup> Street- Safety Concern

Item Postponed to the next Traffic Committee Meeting due to resident not present.

#### B. Request for the installation of dashed centerline strip on Larch Avenue between 153<sup>rd</sup> Street and Manhattan Beach Blvd- Safety Concern

Mr. Masson, a 6-year Lawndale resident, requested a centerline stripe to avoid cars from driving in the middle of the street. He noticed Freeman Ave. has a centerline stripe that helps cars stay in their lane. Visually the two streets appear to be comparable.

Lea informed the resident that Larch Ave. is approximately 26 feet wide and an On-Call traffic engineer will conduct a traffic study between Manhattan Beach Blvd and

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153<sup>rd</sup> Street to determine if a centerline stripe is feasible. She indicated that Freeman Avenue has traffic signals at Manhattan Beach Boulevard and Rosecrans Avenue and provides direct access to Will Rogers Middle School. This may account for higher traffic on Freeman Ave. The traffic study will take approximately 30 days to complete. Once completed, Public Works will notify Mr. Masson with the findings.

Nabi informed the resident Public Works will need to have a traffic study done in order to determine if roadway centerline striping is applicable on residential streets. Per the MUTCD in order to have a centerline in a residential zone, the traffic count must be 6,000 cars per day. This is just one criteria of many. The traffic engineer will also research collision reports to deem safety in the vicinity. Once the study is completed the City will be able to provide an answer to the feasibility of the centerline stripe on Larch Ave.

Nick provided an overview of the steps taken to perform a traffic study. At this time we are waiting for the cost of the items requested.

Mr. Reyes stated it will be a slow process, the City needs to proceed through the proper channels before we proceed with any changes. We will revisit the request once the traffic study results are completed.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Lea Reis, Public Works Director adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

/s/ Lea Reis

Lea Reis, Public Works Director/City Engineer

Attest:

/s/Violet Escobedo

Violet Escobedo, Administrative Assistant  
Public Works Department