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1. CALL TO ORDER – meeting called to order by Matt Rains at 7:01 pm
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – led by Lynn Hopewell
3. DETERMINATION OF MEMBERS PRESENT
   Consideration Will be Given to Members Who Have Missed Consistently. They Will Be Removed and Will Need to Reapply for Membership.
   Attendees: Ken Brennecke, Lynn Hopewell, Casey Lynch, Dawn Perfect and Matt Rains
   Absent: Peggy Brannen, Jackie Sedler and Richard Tomlinson
4. Corrections/Approval to the T&T Minutes 1-25-22 - motion to approve minutes as presented by Ken Brennecke, 2nd by Lynn Hopewell. Motion approved 5-0-1-3 (Dawn Perfect abstained, Peggy Brannen, Jackie Sedler and Richard Tomlinson absent)
5. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Matt Rains introduced himself.
   Dawn Perfect – asked about moving meetings to Thursday night time slot. Matt said we’ll be discussing meeting day. He will get us back on Zoom. Casey Lynch said he can use his Zoom. Casey the first phase of requests for San Diego Country Estates (SDCE) goes to Board of Supervisors on March 2, 2022, at 9am. Hopefully that goes to consent. If no one pulls a speaker card, then it goes to consent.
6. PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY – None
7. SDCE Traffic Calming Measures (Next Zone Discussion)

Matt Rains said we have Raul Alverado with us from the County and thinks some of the questions/solutions can be addressed there. Believe that the items are broken down singularly. Matt asked Raul about the county’s decision about Arena Drive and San Vicente Rd. turn. Raul said emergency vehicles are an issue. He knows they just brought it up due to speed on Arena Drive. Think they were talking about closing the median at Arena Drive and San Vicente Rd., then they change traffic light so that people can make a U-turn to reach Arena Dr. Can take it back to the traffic engineers and EMS/Fire. It would be hard for emergency vehicles to make a U-turn at Gunn Stage and San Vicente Rd. Raul said County is here to serve us. Joe Chaka, spoke regarding the San Vicente Rd. and Arena Dr. turn. He uses the Arena Dr. interchange many times, cutting off the left turn is detrimental to emergency vehicles. The first and cheapest solution was to close off. Would like to see lights at San Vicente Rd. and Arena Drive, have safe priority lights to make the left turn. For the right turns they could pull out onto San Vicente. He has discussed with people on a forum, and no one is for a left turn closure from San Vicente Rd. to Arena Drive. Raul said something about southbound Arena Drive to a left on San Vicente Rd. being blocked? Joe yes, need the right turn to go to Ramona. Don't need the left as they can go over to Gunn Stage. By doing this you lose 50% of the risk by removing the left turn onto San Vicente Rd. from Arena Drive. There’s a bush that blocks the view for drivers to make a turn safely. Matt echoed what Joe said as he’s done a survey with residents. Raul said that’s a good point. Casey Lynch asked Raul if they take any average daily traffic data from San Vicente Rd. onto Arena Drive? Raul said yes. Casey, maybe it’d be good to table this item until we have data to look at. Keep in mind that the goal is to keep the neighborhood safer. Continue to keep a tone to work together to keep neighborhoods safer. Traffic data will be the truth. Need to pull that out to make educational decisions. If we look at traffic numbers for turning left at Arena Drive to San Vicente Rd. and what the speed is, can make an informed decision. Matt agrees with what Casey says, keep tone that keeps us moving along. Raul shared the following numbers, San Vicente Rd. eastbound, 120 people turn left in morning, 320 people turn left in evening. San Vicente Rd. eastbound roughly 1400 people go through. Matt so about 1/5th of the people make the left. Raul for the 24-hr. period going eastbound it’s 6,000, the peak is 300 people going northbound on Arena Drive. Raul said they thought that the problem was Arena Drive. The speed going northbound on Arena Drive is 30 mph in the evening and in the am and 30 mph southbound. Arena Way in the morning is 40 mph, north of the school 45 mph. Matt the data shows there isn’t an issue with the left turn but do have an issue in the morning with people making the right turn off Arena Drive. Casey said, we can show the problem isn’t the left turn on Arena Drive, but the problem is the southbound traffic on Arena Drive to San Vicente Rd. is too high. Concern is children walking to school. Matt believes there may be other solutions that part of this package addresses this, stop signs, etc. Raul a lot of these things we’re looking at Vista Ramona that could reduce the speed. Raul has Arena Drive southbound data. Casey said we need to concentrate on Arena Drive and what a solution would be. Problem is Arena Drive. Raul the 85% is 55 mph between Arena Drive and Gunn Stage on San Vicente Rd. Posted speed limit is 45 mph. Matt the two issues are farther down Arena Drive and the speed on San Vicente Rd. The public issue is the bush on San Vicente that blocks the view. Casey suggested doing a sight distance study and see what obstructions there are. Raul said it’s called a distance analysis. Matt would like to see some kind of solution for people turning left onto San Vicente Rd. from Arena Drive. Casey asked Raul about looking at the area and putting in an acceleration lane. Matt said he’d like to see something like that. Casey said he thinks restriping is one of the easier things. Raul, that’s very easy but like to get buy in. Matt, does this end this intersection? Raul has information that he can take back to the County. Dawn Perfect would like to make sure that we can have the data that Raul is using for this project. Raul said he’d sent Matt the data a few days ago.
Motion carried to install stop signs at designated intersections. Motion made by Lynn Hopewell to request RCPG send a letter to the County requesting the installation of stop signs at designated intersections, 2nd by Casey Lynch. Motion carried 5-0-0-3 (Peggy Brannen, Jackie Sedler and Richard Tomlinson absent).
8. Scheduled Meetings – Matt prefers Thursday or Friday. He’s available any day. Lynn Hopewell said she likes the last Tuesday of the month. Dawn Perfect said Tuesdays are the days she’s set aside for Transportation and Trails meetings. Ken Brennecke also prefers Tuesday the week before the RCPG meeting. Matt said next meeting will be at 6pm.

9. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by Lynn Hopewell, 2nd by Dawn Perfect. Motion carried 4-0-0-3 (Peggy Brannen, Jackie Sedler and Richard Tomlinson absent).

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

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