

**TRANSPORTATION/TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE  
RAMONA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**

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**FINAL Meeting Minutes for  
October 20, 2022**

1. CALL TO ORDER – meeting called to order by Matt Rains at 7:07pm
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, Matt Rains, Dawn Perfect and Jackie Sedler  
Absent: Rebecca Geiger and Richard Tomlinson
4. CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL of the minutes for 9/22/22 – motion to approve minutes as presented made by Matt Rains, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynn Hopewell. Motion carried 3-0-2-2 (Jackie Sedler and Dawn Perfect abstained, Rebecca Geiger and Richard Tomlinson absent.)
5. PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: - None  
Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Group on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction that is not on the posted agenda. - None
6. ACTION ITEMS
  - a. Vacation of Pine Street between Highway 78 and Haverford Rd.  
Matt Rains asked if anyone was here for this item, no one answered. Dawn Perfect said we need to wait for the County to respond since a letter was sent. Matt said he wanted to give the County more time to respond.

Andrew Smisek for Frosted Faces attended and wondered if there's anything they need to do to help push it along. Matt asked Andrew if they're working with people at the County. Andrew said they're working with the County on the new building, but the vacation isn't part of the discussion. Matt suggested he bring it up to the County and get information. Andrew said they'd bring it up to the County. Matt said he'll contact the County as well. Andrew said usually the vacation is divided between property owners and that their driveway is part of the easement.

Motion made to contact the County to confirm they received the letter regarding this issue.

- b. Community Q&A with the County - (Median Closure and Stop Signs)  
County was to attend this meeting and they did not show up.

Matt Rains asked Jackie Sedler if she could update the group on what's taken place regarding this item. Jackie shared that this came about due to fatalities in the Estates due to excessive speeds by drivers. A petition was submitted to the Ramona Community Planning Group (RCPG) well over a year ago regarding implementing traffic calming measures. County engineers came out and made several recommendations, some of those recommendations have taken place, specifically in the Estates. That's predominately where the residents reside. The first phase was completed, several stop signs installed. The second phase was around Arena Drive and the excessive speeds. The traffic engineers also identified Arena Drive as a problem. Arena Drive was never intended to be a throughfare, but it's been that way. One recommendation was to close off the left turn to Arena Drive from San Vicente Rd. and have people go to the light at Gunn Stage. That's where we are today. We requested that the County come out and re-access closing Arena Drive. Matt shared that a letter was sent to the County regarding not having the left turn closed. A request was made to the County for them to attend the Transportation and Trails meeting tonight, but they didn't show up. Matt continued to update the group as to what's taken place. The area we're currently looking at is Zone 2. At the last Transportation and Trails meeting Matt asked the attendees how many wanted the left turn closure at San Vicente Rd. and Arena Drive. All in the group requested that this not happen.

- i. Close Median on San Vicente Dr @ Arena Dr to restrict all left turns.
- ii. Reduce southbound right turn lane on Gunn Stage Rd @ San Vicente Rd.
- iii. All-Way stops at the following intersections:
  1. Gunn Stage Rd @ Arena Wy
  2. Arena Dr @ Del Amo Rd
  3. Arena Dr @ Arena Way
  4. Arena Wy @ Open View Rd
  5. Arena Wy @ Vista Ramona Rd
  6. Vista Ramona Rd @ Sargeant Rd

Motion made by Lynn Hopewell to table items until the County is able to attend meeting November 16, 2022, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Brennecke. Motion carried 5-0-0-2 (Rebecca Geiger and Richard Tomlinson absent.)

#### Discussion:

Martin Lehman – asked when the next meeting is. We let him know it'll be November 16, 2022. Martin asked if the County doesn't come to this meeting how will we know they won't attend future meetings. Matt said they would likely attend. Martin said, regarding the left turn, believes putting stop signs in each direction would get people to slow down. Matt said this was discussed as well. Jackie Sedler said we also discussed putting in a roundabout. Martin said some of the people driving out there drive too fast. Matt let him know that we're trying to accomplish getting people to slow down. Matt shared the history of the stop signs and said they're called traffic control. Matt shared how the requests are handled; once the group decides on it, the request goes to TAC and once TAC votes on it, it'll will go to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Randy W. said there would be a delay of emergency vehicles servicing the area if the median is installed, is this the time to address. Matt said it could wait until the County attends. Randy mentioned the email Kristi sent out. Randy made a point at the RCPG meeting that the median would impact how quickly emergency vehicles get to an emergency. One of the RCPG members disputed that. Randy contacted the fire station, sheriff's station, and fire chief at Poway. He asked if they crossed over raised medians and they unanimously said absolutely not, it's against department policy and there's equipment under the engines that could be damaged. A Sheriff Sgt.

said they're personally liable for any damage to their vehicles. Emergency vehicles will not risk crossing into oncoming traffic. He discovered that a lot of drivers believe they don't have to stop if there's a median when emergency vehicles are on other side of the road. Matt said he received another email about how much water weighs as well as other issues. That's something else Matt wants to hear from the County.

Jeff Voegeli – thanked Lynn Hopewell for updating them on meeting, and Marlene for posting agenda on mailboxes. Had some good speakers at last meeting and liability issues and one individual at last meeting asked about accident surveys. Doing a closure at Arena Drive and San Vicente Rd. Jeff can count on one hand how many accidents have been at that location. If you move the traffic up to Gunn Stage and San Vicente Rd. which has a high accident rate already could increase the accident rate more. They need to have information on accidents. People will start making illegal U-turns at Vista Vicente or go by the dog park where kids and people are at. Have accident information provided before moving forward.

- c. Updates on traffic calming zones by the County: Discussion postponed until November 16, 2022, meeting.
  - i. Highway Patrol enforcement clarification for citizens.
  - ii. Reported road condition concerns to SANDAG regarding areas 10th & Main northbound lane & Haverford and HWY 78 southbound lane.

#### 7. GROUP BUSINESS

- a. Announcements and Correspondence Received
  - i. Next TAC Meeting is on 10/28/22 at 9am, can attend via Zoom. Dawn Perfect asked if there was anything on the agenda for Ramona. Matt said no there wasn't.
- b. Concerns of Members - None
- c. Future Agenda Item – bring forward items from this meeting.
- d. Next Meeting Date – November 16, 2022, via Zoom.

- 8. ADJOURNMENT – motion to adjourn made by Lynn Hopewell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dawn Perfect. Motion carried 5-0-0-2 (Rebecca Geiger and Richard Tomlinson absent). Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm

**The RCPG is advisory only to the County of San Diego. Community issues not related to planning and land use are not within the purview of this group. Item #5: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the RCPG on any subject within the group's jurisdiction that does not appear as an item on this agenda. The RCPG cannot discuss these matters except to place them on a future agenda, refer them to a subcommittee, or to County staff. Speakers will be limited to 3 minutes. Please fill out a speaker request form located at the rear of the room and present to Vice Chairperson.**