

# MINUTES

## CITY OF GROVER BEACH TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

June 11, 2009

9:30 a.m.

### City Hall Council Chambers

**ATTENDANCE:** Police Chief Jim Copsey, Fire Chief Mike Hubert, Citizen Representative Paul Brunner, Community Development representative Janet Reese, Public Works Superintendant Mike Ford, and SCAT representative Coleen Kubel.

**ABSENT:** None

Chief Copsey called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Roll Call was then taken.

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:** None

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1) **Approval of Minutes** - Chief Copsey asked if all present had read the minutes for March 12, 2009. Mike Hubert made a motion that the minutes be approved. Paul Brunner seconded the motion. Motion passed. April minutes will be reviewed in July.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 1) **SCAT bus stops that need Red Curbs or Red Curbs extended**

SCAT representative Collen Kubel presented information regarding the need for increasing the red curb lengths at certain bus stops along West Grand Ave. She stated the buses are 35 feet long and they need about 40 feet of red curb to safely approach and leave the curbs. She is asking for an extension of 20 feet to a number of bus stops. She stated SCAT ridership is up and they have had some ADA issues with their ability to approach the curbs and drop off handicap riders at the curbs. Also, because there is not enough space for the busses to pull to the curbs when vehicles are parked in the area, they have had to stop and unload in the number two lane of traffic. The Traffic Committee discussed each requested bus stop change along West Grand Ave.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Street at West Grand Ave. bus stop was reviewed and it was recommended that Janet take back the idea of moving the bus stop to the 300 block in order to better accommodate the new West Grand Ave beautification project. Coleen will take back the idea of moving the stop a block west and get back to Chief Copsey.

The Westbound 5<sup>th</sup> Street at West Grand Ave. bus stop was reviewed and it was recommended to move the bus stop from the N/W corner of 5<sup>th</sup> St. and West Grand

Ave. to the middle of the block between 4<sup>th</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Street. The reason was due to the length of the available curb at the existing location. There was not enough curb to obtain the 40 feet requested by SCAT due to a driveway from an adjoining business. Moving the stop would allow the 40 feet. The location would need to be reviewed by SCAT. Although in moving the stop we would lose two parking spaces, the new location would be adjacent to businesses that currently have enough on-site parking.

The Eastbound 5<sup>th</sup> Street at West Grand Ave. bus stop was reviewed and it was recommended that if the stop above near 2<sup>nd</sup> Street is moved eastward, they may consider removing this stop. Coleen will review with SCAT and bring back the request.

The Westbound 13<sup>th</sup> Street at West Grand Ave. bus stop was reviewed and it was recommended to extend the current red curb at the existing location all the way to the existing business driveway. This would be an increase of about 20 feet and be acceptable to SCAT. Although we would lose one parking space, there is no immediate business frontage that would be affected.

The Eastbound 13<sup>th</sup> Street at West Grand Ave bus stop was reviewed and it was recommended to move this stop eastward along the sidewalk and paint 40 feet of red curb from 13<sup>th</sup> Street west along West Grand Ave. It is not expected that this change will reduce parking from existing numbers due to the new construction changes at the Chevron Station and the new extended driveway. We will be gaining the old parking space that was previously painted red for the bus stop and losing one space due to the extended red curb, thus no change in numbers.

The Westbound 16<sup>th</sup> Street at West Grand Ave bus stop was reviewed and it was recommended to move the stop from the N/E corner to the N/W corner in order to be able to get a 40 foot red curb. It was recommended that this change wait until after the new storm drainage is completed in this area. The painting of a 40 foot red curb would lose one parking space, however there is no immediate business frontage that this affects.

The Eastbound 16<sup>th</sup> Street at West Grand Ave bus stop was reviewed and it was recommended to maintain the existing stop and add 20 feet to the existing red curb. Although the stop is in front of the Wells Fargo, the loss of the parking space is mitigated by the amount of available parking on site.

The Traffic Committee was generally in agreement with the above suggested changes. This item was tabled until July so SCAT could review the suggestions with staff and report back. The Committee will again review the suggestions and make recommendations in July.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.