



**MEETING MINUTES**  
**ATHERTON TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**  
**Tuesday, July 12, 2022 - 6:00 PM**  
**Regular Meeting**  
This meeting was held virtually and  
in public

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1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL** (5 minutes)  
Transportation Committee Members: Vacant (Vice Chair), Christine David, Joe Davis, Sriram Iyer (Chair), Tom Owen. Councilmember Liaison: Elizabeth Lewis  
Staff: Chief of Police Steven McCulley, Commander Dan Larsen, Sergeant David Metzger,  
PW Director Robert Ovadia

Present – Joe Davis, Christine David, Tom Owen  
Not Present – Sriram Iyer

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** Public comment for items not on the agenda (10 minutes)  
No comments.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** March 8, 2022  
Meeting minutes approved.

4. **OLD BUSINESS** – None.

5. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- a. Set/confirm meeting schedule for the year R. Ovadia

The Committee will discuss the meeting calendar for the fiscal year. Meetings are scheduled on the second Tuesday of every other (odd) month and will act to confirm the meeting calendar.  
Meeting dates approved.

- b. Appointment of Chair/Vice Chair R. Ovadia

The Committee will act to appoint a Chair and Vice Chair for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year  
Chair Joe Davis; Vice Chair Christine David

- c. Review and Discussion of Stockbridge Avenue/Alameda de las Pulgas intersection

R. Ovadia

The Stockbridge Avenue/Alameda de las Pulgas intersection has been an area of concern related to safety for area residents. These concerns have been raised in the past to the Committee and to the Town Council both directly and through the outreach efforts associated with the Neighborhood Traffic Management Action Plan. The intersection is shared jurisdictionally with the County of San Mateo, and also borders the Town of Woodside. At its joint meeting with the Town Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee in November 2021, the Committee reviewed proposed joint application (with the County of San Mateo) for the funding of pedestrian crossing improvements at the Alameda de las Pulgas/ Stockbridge Avenue intersection. The proposal included the installation of a ladder crosswalk, rectangular rapid flashing beacon, pedestrian activated led advance warning signs, and associated improvements. The proposed crossing would a joint project with the County of San Mateo and would be located on the north leg where San Mateo County recently upgraded the access ramps. Unfortunately, the C/CAG Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee did not recommend funding for our project in the current round. Staff remains committed to seeking funding opportunities to support safety improvements at

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the intersection. This item provides the opportunity for the Committee to discuss the intersection, accident history (attached), potential improvements, and funding opportunities.

Staff provided a brief outline of the concerns raised by residents as well as some actions taken by residents, including changes to landscaping to improve visibility and the installation of crossing flags. Staff advised that though the joint TDA grant application with San Mateo County to install crossing safety improvements was unsuccessful, that we are continuing to look for alternate funding opportunities to implement safety improvements at the intersection. PD provided information regarding speeds and accident history. The Committee discussed various concerns and issues regarding the intersection. No action was taken.

**d. Review and consideration of reduced speed limit on Encinal Avenue in the vicinity of Encinal Elementary School**  
R. Ovadia

At its November 2021 meeting, the Committee received a presentation from Menlo Park staff regarding their efforts to reduce speed limits in school zones by posting speed limit signs noting a 15 MPH limit when children are present within 500 feet of schools. In mid-June, Menlo Park staff advised Public Works staff that their Safe Routes to Schools taskforce met and received requests from parents and staff at the school to consider installing such signage in the vicinity of Encinal Elementary School. The City of Menlo Park is seeking support from the Town to implement the reduced speed limit in the vicinity of the school, particularly along Encinal Avenue. The Committee may discuss and recommend potential speed limit changes in the vicinity of Encinal Elementary School.

Staff introduced the item including a request received from Menlo Park to consider reduction of the speed limit in the vicinity of Encinal School to 15 MPH when children are present. It was noted by the Committee that traffic is fairly congested during school pickup and drop off times and requested information from PD regarding how such signage would be enforced. PD staff advised that the enforcement could be throughout the school day and not just limited to school pick-up and drop off times. The Chief advised that he could support such a reduction on Encinal, he did not think it would be appropriate on Middlefield Road. Upon further discussion, the Committee deferred any recommendation pending the completion of planned traffic calming measures in the general area that may have an impact on shifting traffic patterns.

Exhibit of potential speed reduction zones (Encinal Elementary School).

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

Sgt. D. Metzger

**Police Traffic Unit** (10 minutes)

- a. Monthly report for March 2022
- b. Monthly report for April 2022
- c. Monthly report for May 2022
- d. Monthly report for June 2022

*These items discuss the monthly traffic reports for March - June of 2022.*

PD provided a brief introduction to the monthly traffic reports.

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7. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Fair Oaks Lane / Lloyd Drive intersection

8. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

9. **NEXT MEETING DATE** Tuesday, September 13, 2022

10. **ADJOURNMENT – 6:50 pm**

Respectfully Submitted –

Sgt. David Metzger

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