

AGENDA

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

March 9, 2011
9:30 A.M.

Laguna Woods City Hall
Council Chambers
24264 El Toro Road
Laguna Woods, CA 92637

AGENDA DESCRIPTION: The Agenda descriptions are intended to give notice, to members of the public, of a general summary of items of business to be transacted or discussed. Any person wishing to address the Public Safety Committee on any matter, whether or not it appears on this agenda, may do so under the appropriate section of the agenda. Whenever possible, lengthy testimony should be presented to the Committee in writing (12 copies) and only pertinent points presented orally. Requests to speak to items on the agenda shall be heard at the appropriate point on the agenda; requests to speak about subjects not on the agenda will be heard during the Public Comment section of the meeting.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

A. Residential Smoke Alarm Program

RECOMMENDED: Discuss proposed program and make recommendations for implementation.

B. Santa Maria Golf Cart Path

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Discuss and recommend approval to the City Council.

IV. PENDING PROJECT UPDATE

- A. Moulton Parkway and El Toro Road Construction
- B. Smoking Regulations
- C. Right Turn on Red Signage

V. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

VII. ADJOURN

The next regularly scheduled meeting is April 13, 2011; meetings may be cancelled due to a lack of agenda items.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Meeting Recap

February 9, 2011
9:30 A.M.

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stone called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Feeney, Henderson, Horne, Krueger, Leuck, Malone, Pollard,
Rosenblatt, Stone, Templeton, Wilson

Absent: None

III. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

A. Vice Chair and Future Meeting Schedule

Pat Feeney was appointed vice chair to conduct meetings in the absence of the chair. Future meetings will remain on the second Wednesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.

B. Committee Procedures, Open Meeting and Conflict of Interest Regulations

The Committee received a presentation from City Manager Keane.

C. Pending Project Update

City Manager Keane provided updates on the following pending projects: (1) Moulton Parkway and El Toro Road Construction, (2) Smoking Regulations, and (3) Right Turn on Red Signage.

The Committee was encouraged to come prepared to discuss the new, electronic no right turn on red signs at the next meeting. A summary of smoking regulations will be distributed with the next agenda packet.

D. 2011 Committee Work Plan

The Committee identified the following topics of interest:

- Golf cars/carts paths, access and safety
- Hoarding
- Fire/EMS emergency response times
- Safety education and events
- Neighborhood Watch
- Animal services
- Emergency plans
- Elder abuse in relation to caregivers
- Identity theft

IV. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Malone requested information on smoking and animal regulations, as well as information on actions previously taken by the Committee.

Vice Chair Feeney suggested making the City's website more visually interesting. Member Rosenblatt asked that all handouts be dated.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A member of the public suggested that the City use electronic message board signs to communicate no right turn on red restrictions.

VI. ADJOURN

The next regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee will be at 9:30 a.m. on March 9, 2011, at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637. All regular meetings are subject to cancellation due to a lack of agenda items.

City of Laguna Woods Agenda Report

FOR: March 9, 2011 Public Safety Committee
TO: Chair and Members of the Public Safety Committee
FROM: Douglas C. Reilly, Assistant City Manager
Agenda Item: Santa Maria Avenue Multimodal Trail Project

Recommendation

Recommend that the City Council approve the design and award a contract to construct the Santa Maria Avenue Multimodal Trail at a cost of up to \$634,705.

Background

The City and Laguna Woods Village (Village) have a combination of trails and crossings to allow access to destinations throughout Laguna Woods by alternative transportation modes, some of which are allowed on sidewalks. These include golf carts (not allowed on sidewalks), scooters, bicycles and personal mobility devices (i.e., Segways). The trail system includes the path through the tunnel under El Toro Road, behind and in front of the Lutheran Church and St. Nicholas Church, between Town Centre and Village Clubhouse 7, and golf cart crossings at:

- El Toro Road and Calle Sonora
- El Toro Road and Town Centre/Home Depot Drive
- El Toro Road and Lutheran Church/St. Nicholas Church
- El Toro Road and Avenida Sevilla
- Moulton Parkway and Gate 12
- Moulton Parkway and Via Campo Verde
- Santa Maria Avenue and Avenida Sosiega

The City has expanded the trail system since incorporation to provide additional access to destinations in and around the City.

Discussion

Attachment A shows the design for a multimodal trail on Santa Maria Avenue, from Via Vista (Village Gate 8) to Moulton Parkway. The attachment focuses on the area closest to Moulton Parkway since the trail down to Via Vista will be the same dimensions as the segment shown. The path will give residents of Laguna Woods and Laguna Hills access to the Moulton Plaza Center, including the Florence Sylvester Senior Center, and maintain the road's two vehicle lanes in each direction. The multimodal path on the eastbound side will be 11 feet, and path will be 10 feet westbound for the few hundred feet from Moulton to the entrance to the Moulton Plaza Center, with a separate 7 ½ foot sidewalk for pedestrians. The plan proposes stop signs at Via Vista for both eastbound and westbound Santa Maria traffic to allow for safe pedestrian crossings at this location.

The City is currently out to bid on construction of this multimodal trail. Bids are due on March 9.

At its February 23 meeting, the Community Services Committee recommended that the City Council approve the design and award a contract for construction of the multimodal trail on March 16.

Fiscal Impact

The City obtained a Transportation Demand Management (TDM) grant of \$500,000 from the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), and has allocated an additional \$134,705 in AB 2766 Mobile Source Reduction funds which the City has accumulated over several years. These funds are designated for projects that reduce carbon-based emissions that contribute to air pollution in the South Coast Air Basin.

Conclusion

The City has developed a system of alternative vehicle trails and crossings in cooperation with Laguna Woods Village, which has been expanded since the City's incorporation. The proposed Santa Maria Avenue Multimodal Trail will provide access to the Moulton Plaza Center, including the Florence Sylvester Senior Center. The City is currently out to bid on this project, with the City Council scheduled to approve the trail design and award a construction contract on March 16.

Attachment A: Proposed design of Santa Maria Avenue Multimodal Trail

MOULTON PARKWAY

MOULTON PLAZA SHOPPING CENTER

DRIVEWAY
CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS
CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS

SANTA MARIA MULTI-MODAL TRAIL

