

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION OF  
THE CITY OF LA MIRADA  
JANUARY 22, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Dahl called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, La Mirada City Hall, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Dahl.

**ROLL CALL**

The Public Safety and Traffic Commission was present with Chairman Dahl, Vice Chairman Covarrubias, Commissioner Maldonado and Commissioner Peters responding to roll call.

The following staff members were also present: Assistant City Manager Anne Haraksin, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Sergeant Oscar Rodriguez, Public Safety Supervisor Michael Alfonso and Secretary Emily Benavidez.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jack Miranda addressed the Public Safety and Traffic Commission. Mr. Miranda requested that traffic data be included in the Annual Crime report.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 23, 2025**

**Commissioner Maldonado moved and Commissioner Peters seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 23, 2025 of the Public Safety and Traffic Commission.**

**MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Commissioner Maldonado, Commissioner Peters, Vice Chairman Covarrubias, Chairman Dahl**

**NOES: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**2. REPORT FROM FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Members of the Los Angeles County Fire Department presented an update on the Fire Department's activities and trends.

**3. MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT – SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2025**

Assistant City Manager Haraksin and Sergeant Rodriguez provided information on the Traffic Report.

**Commissioner Maldonado moved and Vice Chairman Covarrubias seconded to receive and file the Traffic Report for September and October 2025.**

- AYES: Commissioner Maldonado, Commissioner Peters, Vice Chairman Covarrubias, Chairman Dahl**
- NOES: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

**4. MONTHLY CRIME REPORT – OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2025**

Assistant City Manager Haraksin and Sergeant Rodriguez provided information on the Crime Report.

**Vice Chairman Covarrubias moved and Commissioner Peters seconded to receive and file the Crime Report for October, November and December 2025.**

**MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

- AYES: Commissioner Maldonado, Commissioner Peters, Vice Chairman Covarrubias, Chairman Dahl**
- NOES: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

**5. MONTHLY TRAFFIC STUDY STATUS REPORT – JANUARY 2026**

Assistant City Manager Haraksin reported on the Traffic Study Status Report.

**Commissioner Maldonado moved and Commissioner Peters seconded to receive and file the Traffic Study Status Report for January 2026.**

**MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

- AYES: Commissioner Maldonado, Commissioner Peters, Vice Chairman Covarrubias, Chairman Dahl**

**NOES: None**  
**ABSENT: None**  
**ABSTAIN: None**

## **6. TRAFFIC STUDY OF BIOLA AVENUE AND SAN CRISTOBAL DRIVE**

Assistant City Manager Haraksin reported that resident Danielle Couturie submitted an email requesting the installation of a flashing beacon at Biola Avenue and San Cristobal Drive. Ms. Haraksin said that at the September 2025 Public Safety and Traffic Commission meeting the Commission approved a traffic study to determine if a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) was warranted at the location.

Traffic Engineer Bill Zimmerman presented the results of the traffic study. Mr. Zimmerman said traffic data was collected as well as counts for pedestrians crossing at the intersection. He said an analysis was conducted using the collected data along with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, 2014 Edition, Revision 9, (CA MUTCD). Mr. Zimmerman said it was determined that an RRFB is not warranted at Biola Avenue and San Cristobal Drive due to the low volume of pedestrians crossing at the intersection.

**Vice Chairman Covarrubias moved and Commissioner Peters seconded to deny the request for the installation of RRFBs at the intersection of Biola Avenue and San Cristobal Drive.**

### **MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Commissioner Maldonado, Commissioner Peters, Vice Chairman Covarrubias, Chairman Dahl**  
**NOES: None**  
**ABSENT: None**  
**ABSTAIN: None**

## **7. ANALYSIS OF THE INTERSECTION OF FOSTER ROAD AND PARISE DRIVE**

Assistant City Manager Haraksin reported that the Public Safety and Traffic Commission requested traffic studies be completed for schools in La Mirada. She said that when the Traffic Engineer was conducting the site analysis for St. Paul of the Cross School, a resident expressed concerns regarding the operational safety of the intersection of Foster Road and Parise Drive. Ms. Haraksin said that as part of the recommended action for the school study, the Commission approved a safety analysis of the intersection to address compliance and speed concerns.

Traffic Engineer Bill Zimmerman presented the results of the safety analysis. He said the California Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) is the standard for agencies to follow in the application of any traffic control devices on roadway systems, which ensures a standard system is in place for drivers' and pedestrians' safety. He said traffic volumes, a 12-month accident history, and pedestrian counts at the intersection were collected. Mr. Zimmerman said the combined data indicated that a multi-way stop sign is not warranted at the intersection of Foster Road and Parise Drive. He said a field

review indicated that school crossing assemblies and pavement markings at the intersection crosswalks are in compliance with the CA MUTCD. Traffic Engineer Zimmerman said based on the analysis of the intersection, there are no traffic modifications warranted at Foster Road and Parise Drive.

**Commissioner Peters moved and Commissioner Maldonado seconded to receive and file the report.**

**MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Commissioner Maldonado, Commissioner Peters, Vice Chairman Covarrubias, Chairman Dahl**

**NOES: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Maldonado wished everyone a Happy New Year. He expressed his appreciation to the Public Safety Team and all first responders.

Commissioner Peters wished everyone a Happy New Year and reported on the events and meetings she attended. She also expressed her gratitude for the great community events hosted by the City.

Vice Chairman Covarrubias wished everyone a Happy New Year and expressed his appreciation to the Public Safety Team. He also expressed his gratitude to the City for its swift installation of locks on the electrical outlets at Gardenhill Park.

Chairman Dahl expressed his appreciation to the Public Safety Team for its dedication and service. He also said that La Mirada flag football won the division championship in November.

**STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Assistant City Manager Haraksin said that the ordinance regulating electric mobility devices was adopted in December. She also said the Farmer’s Market is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays, the State of the City will be on January 29, and Sweeney Todd begins on January 31 at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the Public Safety and Traffic Commission adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

Submitted:

Attest:

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Emily Benavidez, Secretary

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Steven Dahl, Chairman