



CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING

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Traffic Safety Committee Agenda/Notice

**Wednesday, May 28, 2025
1:30 PM**

Traffic Safety Committee Meeting, May 28, 2025 at 1:30

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TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Paul Tomasi - Director of Public Safety, Mary Bilse - Environmental Manager, Rob Culver - Public Works Superintendent, Anna Ginette - Community Planning & Building Director, Ken Wysocki - Public Works Director

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT: Under the Brown Act, public comment for matters on the agenda must relate to that agenda item and public comments for matters not on the agenda must relate to the subject matter jurisdiction of this legislative body (Traffic Safety Committee). If a member of the public attending this meeting remotely violates the Brown Act by failing to comply with these requirements, then that speaker will be muted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONSENT AGENDA: Items on the consent agenda are routine in nature and do not require discussion or independent action. Members of the Commission or the public may ask that any items be considered individually for purposes of Commission discussion and/ or for public comment. Unless that is done, one motion may be used to adopt all recommended actions.

A. Meeting Minutes

OLD BUSINESS (These are items previously discussed requiring follow-up)

- A.** Second review of a request for a Stop sign, for eastbound Fifth Ave. at San Carlos Street. (Ferlito)
- B.** Review the effectiveness of the new Pedestrian Crossing signs and discuss if any further changes are needed at San Antonio and Jane Powers Walkway

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A.** Review a request for additional No Parking signs in the center median of Junipero Street between Eight Avenue and Twelfth Avenue.
- B.** Review a request to remove the Two-hour parking in the loading zone on the northeast corner of Dolores Street and Sixth avenue.
- C.** Review a request to implement a traffic study related to establishing four-way stops at intersections
- D.** Review the timed parking hours in the Post Office parking lot.
- E.** Review the need for an ordinance prohibiting electric/motorized bicycles in Mission Trail Nature Preserve
- F.** Review a request for No Parking signs on the south side of Seventh Avenue between Carmelo Street and San Antonio Avenue.

ADJOURNEMENT: Next Meeting Date: August 27, 2025 at 1:30 PM

This agenda was posted at City Hall, Monte Verde Street between Ocean Avenue and 7th Avenue, Harrison Memorial Library, located on the NE corner of Ocean Avenue and Lincoln Street, the Carmel-by-the-Sea Post Office, 5th Avenue between Dolores Street and San Carlos Street, and the City's webpage

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CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE Staff Report

May 28, 2025

TO: Traffic Safety Committee Members

SUBMITTED BY: Mary Blise, Environmental Compliance Manager

SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes

RECOMMENDATION:

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

FISCAL IMPACT:

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 26, 2025

**City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
Traffic Safety Committee
February 26, 2025**

Attachment 1

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Brandon Swanson, Assistant City Administrator
Mary Bilse, Acting Public Works Director
Todd Trayer, Police Commander

ABSENT: Paul Tomasi

STAFF PRESENT: Rob Culver, Public Works Superintendent
Yvette Culver, Committee Secretary
Anna Ginette, Director of Community Planning and Building

PUBLIC COMMENT

Karen Ferlito

OLD BUSINESS

Item A. No Parking Signs on Santa Rita 2 South East of Ocean Avenue (Second Review)

Commander Trayer presented the information to the Committee. The committee reviewed a request for no parking signs on Santa Rita, southeast of Ocean Avenue. The committee had visited the site and have seen the parking situation, and the difficulty getting out of the driveway across the street from the No Parking poles, when people are parking south of the No Parking pole.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Linda Wild

Commander Trayer motioned to move the No Parking sign that is further south approximately 4 feet to where the tree is (directly across from the resident's driveway). He also motioned to remove the lower arrow that points south from the sign. The motion was seconded by Mary Bilse and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Bilse, Swanson, Trayer
NOES: None
ABSENT: Tomasi
ABSTAIN: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Item A. Pedestrian Safety at the Jane Powers Walkway on San Antonio between Second Avenue and Fourth Avenue.

- The committee discussed a request for a formalized crosswalk at the Jane Powers Walkway on San Antonio between Second Avenue and Forth Avenue.

- The committee and members of the public expressed concern about the safety of the crosswalk.
- The committee discussed possible solutions, such as signage and curb cuts.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vittoria Lecomte

Maria R

Kevin Ruess

Assistant City Administrator Swanson motioned to immediately install signs on both sides, alerting drivers to the presence of pedestrians. Additionally, the motion called for returning to the next Traffic Safety Committee Meeting after conducting individual research to further discuss crosswalk options and the possibility of reducing the height of the curb and berm on the west side of the road. The motion was seconded by Commander Trayer and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Bilse, Swanson, Trayer
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Tomasi
ABSTAIN:	None

Item B. Parking Stalls on Casanova Street and Seventh Avenue

- The committee discussed a request from a homeowner on the northeast corner of Casanova Street and Seventh Avenue to install marked parking stalls.
- The homeowner expressed concerns that people are squeezing into the parking spot and encroaching on his driveway.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Acting Public Works Director Bilse motioned that the city does not install T-Markers on this section of Casanova and Seventh Avenue. The motion was seconded by Brandon Swanson and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Bilse, Swanson, Trayer
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Tomasi
ABSTAIN:	None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- The Crosswalk across from San Antonio from Jane Powers walkway
- Traffic Study by Chief Tomasi
- An update on the three-way intersection up from the Post Office
- No Parking posts on Junipero

Respectfully submitted,

Yvette Culver, Administrative Coordinator, Committee Clerk

Approved by: _____
Brandon Swanson, Vice Chair



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May 28, 2025

TO:	Traffic Safety Committee Members
SUBMITTED BY:	Rob Culver, Superintendent, Public Works
SUBJECT:	Second review of a request for a Stop sign, for eastbound Fifth Ave. at San Carlos Street. (Ferlito)

RECOMMENDATION:

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

FISCAL IMPACT:

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:



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May 28, 2025

TO: Traffic Safety Committee Members

SUBMITTED BY: Rob Culver, Superintendent, Public Works

SUBJECT: Review the effectiveness of the new Pedestrian Crossing signs and discuss if any further changes are needed at San Antonio and Jane Powers Walkway

RECOMMENDATION:

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Correspondence

Dear Brandon,

Nice talking to you earlier this week during the Special Council Meeting.

As I mentioned, I would like to thank you and the Traffic Safety Committee members, for placing a Pedestrian Crossing sign at the bottom of the Jane Powers Walkway. It is a considerable improvement.

However, I would like to add a few additional suggestions and reinstate the importance of a marked crosswalk path at the end of the Jane Powers walkway for crossing North San Antonio Street between 2nd and 4th Avenues.

First and foremost, the signs are nice (see pics) yet they are only on one side. There should also be signs on the sidewalk across San Antonio to allow the drivers coming from 4th Ave on San Antonio towards the Pebble Beach gate to see you. The street curves a bit there so the sign facing them cannot be seen until you are quite close to the crossing area.

Secondly, the signs are a great improvement but we still need to have the marked crosswalk to:

1. Offer better visibility of pedestrians when crossing from the Jane Powers walkway to the San Antonio Street sidewalk.
2. Allow people with strollers to be seen and ensure they can cross slowly to the San Antonio sidewalk.
3. Slow down drivers going north from 4th Ave into the Pebble Beach access gate on 2nd Ave. Drivers accelerate as they come around and have poor visibility of pedestrians waiting to cross.
4. Slow down drivers coming south from 2nd Ave since there is no stop sign coming out of Pebble Beach.
5. It will make drivers attentive to pedestrians and stop for them. Same as we have all along Scenic Rd.

I appreciate you giving this additional consideration and I hope we can have a crosswalk soon.

Thank you,

Maria





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May 28, 2025

TO: Traffic Safety Committee Members

SUBMITTED BY: Rob Culver, Superintendent, Public Works

SUBJECT: Review a request for additional No Parking signs in the center median of Junipero Street between Eight Avenue and Twelfth Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION:

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

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Email Correspondence

If we want to protect pedestrians why would we allow 2 hour parking on weekends? This location is being abused on a daily basis by min commercial vehicles. And it is a very busy pedestrian corner with only a two way stop.

Please bring the 4 way stop study back to traffic committee and then to city council.

Also the usps parking lot is being used on Saturday when residents need it to collect mail. And the stripping on corner and an additional stop sign in the ne corner needs to be considered seriously.

Another issue is that cars and trucks are starting to park in and on the junipero medians between 8th and 12th. More no parking signs are needed. This will be especially important as more remodels occur in that stretch.

And lastly, there have been e-bikes and motorcycles seen in mtnp. This is eroding trails and endangering walkers. We probably need an ordinance prohibiting bikes on Martin meadow and smaller walking trails.

Thank you for the work you do to keep our village safe.

Karen Ferlito





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May 28, 2025

TO: Traffic Safety Committee Members

SUBMITTED BY: Rob Culver, Superintendent, Public Works

SUBJECT: Review a request to remove the Two-hour parking in the loading zone on the northeast corner of Dolores Street and Sixth avenue.

RECOMMENDATION:

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

FISCAL IMPACT:

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:



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May 28, 2025

TO:	Traffic Safety Committee Members
SUBMITTED BY:	Rob Culver, Superintendent, Public Works
SUBJECT:	Review a request to implement a traffic study related to establishing four-way stops at intersections

RECOMMENDATION:

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

FISCAL IMPACT:

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TO: Traffic Safety Committee Members

SUBMITTED BY: Rob Culver, Superintendent, Public Works

SUBJECT: Review the timed parking hours in the Post Office parking lot.

RECOMMENDATION:

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

FISCAL IMPACT:

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May 28, 2025

TO:	Traffic Safety Committee Members
SUBMITTED BY:	Rob Culver, Superintendent, Public Works
SUBJECT:	Review the need for an ordinance prohibiting electric/motorized bicycles in Mission Trail Nature Preserve

RECOMMENDATION:

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

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May 28, 2025

TO:	Traffic Safety Committee Members
SUBMITTED BY:	Rob Culver, Superintendent, Public Works
SUBJECT:	Review a request for No Parking signs on the south side of Seventh Avenue between Carmelo Street and San Antonio Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION:

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

FISCAL IMPACT:

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

Email Correspondence

Email Correspondence from resident:

Per usual, weekend neighborhood traffic is quite a problem. A few minutes ago, as we returned from a walk, I took a photo to show that traffic can flow only up or down 7th Avenue between San Antonio and Carmelo. After the two cars headed West, cars then came UP 7th heading East, so I snapped the photo of the car that HAD TO BACK AROUND THE CORNER to let the other cars through. There is no doubt that a fire truck could not negotiate through the cars parked on both sides of the street.