

**AGENDA**

**ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

**COMMUNITY TRAFFIC/SAFETY AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING**

**ROSSMOOR PARK**  
Community Center  
3232 Hedwig Road  
Rossmoor, CA 90720

**Wednesday, January 4, 2023**

**7 p.m.**

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**A. ORGANIZATION**

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7 p.m.
2. ROLL CALL: Directors DeMarco, Searles
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**B. PUBLIC FORUM**

*Any person may address the members of the Community Traffic/Safety Ad Hoc Committee at this time on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Community Traffic/Safety Ad Hoc Committee of the Rossmoor Community Services District.*

**C. REGULAR CALENDAR**

1. GENERAL MANAGER PRESENTS VERBAL OVERVIEW ON TRAFFIC SAFETY IN THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
2. REVIEW OF A DRAFT LETTER REQUESTING A TRAFFIC STUDY TO BE PRESENTED TO SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER WEI ZHU, ORANGE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS TRAFFIC INVESTIGATIONS AND STUDIES

**D. ADJOURNMENT**

**CERTIFICATION OF POSTING**

I hereby certify that the attached Agenda for the January 4, 2023, 7 p.m. Community Traffic/Safety Ad Hoc Committee Meeting of the Rossmoor Community Services District was posted at least 48 hours prior to the time of the meeting.

ATTEST:

  
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JOE MENDOZA  
General Manager

Date: 12/28/2022

**ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

**AGENDA ITEM C-1**

**Date:** January 4, 2023

**To:** Community Traffic/Safety Advisory Ad Hoc Committee  
Tony DeMarco, Chair  
Nathan Searles

**From:** General Manager Joe Mendoza

**Subject:** GENERAL MANAGER PRESENTS VERBAL OVERVIEW ON TRAFFIC SAFETY IN THE  
ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

**INFORMATION**

At tonight's meeting, the General Manager will present a brief verbal overview on traffic safety in the District.

**ATTACHMENTS**

None

## **ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

### **AGENDA ITEM C-2**

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**To:** Community Traffic/Safety Advisory Ad Hoc Committee  
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Nathan Searles

**From:** General Manager Joe Mendoza —

**Subject:** REVIEW OF A DRAFT LETTER REQUESTING A TRAFFIC STUDY TO BE PRESENTED TO SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER WEI ZHU, ORANGE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS TRAFFIC INVESTIGATIONS AND STUDIES

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Community Traffic/Safety Advisory Ad Hoc Committee:

1. Review the draft letter requesting a traffic study to Senior Civil Engineer Wei Zhu, Orange County Public Works Traffic Investigations and Studies;
2. Make revisions to the letter as desired by the Committee; and
3. Approve the letter for submission to the Rossmoor Community Services District (RCSD) Board of Directors for their review and approval.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Rossmoor Community Services District (RCSD) has received numerous complaints and concerns regarding parking issues along the Montecito Corridor, Bradbury Road, and the Hedwig Road entrance, from Los Alamitos Boulevard to Wallingford Road. Through a number of Traffic/Safety Ad Hoc Committee meetings and RCSD Board meetings, residents have been given the opportunity to provide input about traffic safety and parking problems.

At the last Traffic/Safety Ad Hoc Committee meeting, a draft resolution was presented to the Committee that would create a parking permit ordinance (restricting parking for residents only at specified times). It was acknowledged that the RCSD does not have jurisdiction to enact such an ordinance and that it would ultimately need action by the County of Orange Board of Supervisors to approve such a change. Therefore, a traffic study with viable recommendations/solutions from the Orange County Public Works/Traffic Investigations & Studies Division is necessary before moving forward with a proposed parking permit ordinance.

After much discussion, the Committee directed the General Manager to draft a letter to Orange County Public Works Traffic Engineering Division to request their consideration in conducting a traffic study. This study would be used to come up with viable solutions that may include adopting a parking permit program to restrict parking, additional red curbing, and/or making adjustments to traffic lanes that may create additional parking, as well as visibility when exiting/entering arterial streets.

## **INFORMATION**

In order to move forward, attached is a draft letter to Orange County Public Works Traffic Investigations and Studies Division requesting that a traffic study be conducted relative to parking, speeding, and access to the areas around the Montecito Corridor. In addition, the letter outlines the District's parking and safety concerns, as well as offers a few solutions for consideration including adopting a parking permit program to restrict parking, additional red curbing, and/or making adjustments to traffic lanes that may create additional parking and increase visibility when exiting/entering arterial streets.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Draft letter requesting a traffic study to be presented to senior civil engineer Wei Zhu, Orange County Public Works Traffic Investigations and Studies

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Ms. Wei Zhu, PE, TE  
Senior Civil Engineer  
Orange County Public Works/Traffic Investigations & Studies  
300 N. Flower Street  
Santa Ana, CA 90702

Dear Ms. Zhu:

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As you are aware, in 2017 the Shops at Rossmoor closed the shopping center parking lot to overnight parking by residents of the condominiums and townhomes in both the Rossmoor Community Services District and the City of Seal Beach. Because of this, residents not using garages and parking stalls on the condominium and townhome properties were forced to park on Montecito Road, as well as the arterial streets adjacent to Montecito Road and Bradbury Road. A similar problem occurs adjacent to the Ascent apartment complex in north Rossmoor as the apartment residents use Wallingsford Road and Hedwig Road, as well as the arterial streets surrounding the property, for overflow parking. It appears that over the years, the number of cars associated with these properties has grown, thus the need for parking opportunities has also grown and the parking at each housing site may not be sufficient.

Because the parking issues in Rossmoor caused by the multi-family housing (apartments, condominiums, and townhomes) have become increasingly troublesome, we would respectfully request that Orange County Public Works/Traffic Investigations & Studies

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Division please conduct a traffic study and provide information about the following possible solutions/recommendations:

- Enacting a parking permit program to restrict overnight parking;
- Adding red curbing that would address lack of visibility when exiting/entering arterial streets along Montecito Road, Bradbury Road, and Hedwig Road;
- Research the feasibility of adjusting traffic lanes so that additional parking could be created (i.e. considering angled parking along the east side of Montecito Road and diminishing lanes from four to two to increase parking; and
- Adding red curbing on the south side of Hedwig Road in order to widen the road to enhance safety when exiting the arterial streets. This would mirror the Wallingsford Road red curbing along the west side of Wallingsford Road.

Other issues to consider are that the overflow parking creates problems with trash pickup as residents often do not have room to place their trash containers at the curb, and cars that are illegally parked make it difficult to perform adequate street sweeping. In addition, vehicles encroaching onto driveways, and vehicles stored or left for prolonged periods on Rossmoor streets create difficulty to homeowners. The result is that these parking problems affect the overall quality of life for many Rossmoor residents.

The goal of the traffic study is to address residents' concerns related to overnight parking and traffic safety issues. We would welcome any suggestions/recommendations that your office would have after analyzing the traffic study results.

We appreciate your consideration of this request for a traffic study in Rossmoor. Please do not hesitate to contact General Manager Joe Mendoza at (562) 430-3707, extension 3, if you need additional information or would like to schedule a tour of the District.

Sincerely,

Name

President, RCSD Board of Directors