

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION OF  
THE CITY OF LA MIRADA  
SEPTEMBER 25, 2025**

**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, and Commissioner Peters responding to roll call. Commissioner Maldonado was absent.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Resident Esbeida Galvez addressed the Public Safety and Traffic Commission. She said that Bora Drive is impacted by motorists exceeding the speed limit and using Bora Drive as a shortcut between Valley View Avenue and Marquardt Avenue.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 28, 2025**

**Vice Chairman Covarrubias moved and Commissioner Peters seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 28, 2025 of the Public Safety and Traffic Commission.**

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

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

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**2. REPORT FROM FIRE DEPARTMENT**

None.

**3. MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT – JULY 2025**

Assistant City Manager Haraksin and Sergeant Roman-Macias provided information on the Traffic Report.

**Commissioner Peters moved and Vice Chairman Covarrubias seconded to receive and file the Traffic Report for July 2025.**

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

**4. MONTHLY CRIME REPORT – AUGUST 2025**

Assistant City Manager Haraksin and Sergeant Roman-Macias provided information on the Crime Report.

**Vice Chairman Covarrubias moved and Commissioner Peters seconded to receive and file the Crime Report for August 2025.**

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

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

**5. MONTHLY TRAFFIC STUDY STATUS REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2025**

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

**Commissioner Peters moved and Vice Chairman Covarrubias seconded to receive and file the Traffic Study Status Report for September 2025.**

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

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS****6. TRAFFIC STUDY OF BORA DRIVE BETWEEN VALLEY VIEW AVENUE AND MARQUARDT AVENUE**

The City's Traffic Engineer Bill Zimmerman reported that a resident submitted a request for the installation of Stop signs on Bora Drive between Valley View Avenue and Marquardt Avenue, specifically on Bora Drive at Norbeck Drive. He provided information on the traffic study including the analysis of the Stop sign warrant, the speed study, and cut through traffic data. Mr. Zimmerman said that based on the results of the traffic study, it is recommended that the Public Safety and Traffic Commission deny the request for the installation of Stop signs along Bora Drive. He said that portable speed feedback signs will be utilized to educate motorists. He also said that spot enforcement will be conducted and that the location will be reviewed in six months.

**Vice Chairman Covarrubias moved and Commissioner Peters seconded to deny the request for the installation of Stop signs along Bora Drive.**

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

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

**7. TRAFFIC STUDY OF HIGHPOINT DRIVE AND OLIVEMILL ROAD**

The City's Traffic Engineer Bill Zimmerman reported that a resident called the City and submitted a request for the installation of red curbing on Highpoint Drive north of the curblineline at Olivemill Road. He said the resident indicated that when a vehicle is parked on Highpoint Drive, visibility is obstructed for motorists traveling from Olivemill Road to Highpoint Drive. He provided information on the results of the traffic study. He said a site analysis was conducted at Highpoint Drive and Olivemill Road. He said existing conditions and the sight distance at the location were examined and since Highpoint Drive has a gradient of over nine percent, the view of on-coming vehicles is unobstructed for drivers slowly moving forward from Olivemill Road. Mr. Zimmerman reported that modifications are not warranted based on the traffic study.

**Commissioner Peters moved and Vice Chairman Covarrubias seconded to deny the request for the installation of red curb in the southbound direction of Highpoint Drive approaching Olivemill Road.**

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

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

**8. REQUEST FOR A TRAFFIC STUDY OF BIOLA AVENUE AND SAN CRISTOBAL DRIVE**

Ms. Haraksin reported that a resident submitted an email to the City requesting the installation of a flashing beacon at Biola Avenue and San Cristobal Drive. She said the resident expressed concerns with pedestrian safety in the crosswalk at the location.

**Commissioner Peters moved and Vice Chairman Covarrubias seconded to assign the Traffic Engineer and Chairman Dahl to study the location and report their findings at a future meeting.**

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

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

**COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Peters said the recent passing of Commissioner John Ojeisekhoba is a profound loss to the community.

Vice Chairman Covarrubias extended his condolences to the Ojeisekhoba family and said that the loss of his friend and colleague, John Ojeisekhoba, is felt deeply.

Chairman Dahl expressed his sympathy to the Ojeisekhoba family and said it was an honor to know and work with his mentor, John Okeisekhoba.

**STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Assistant City Manager Haraksin said that Commissioner Ojeisekhoba left a hole in the dais and a hole in the hearts of all those who knew him.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the Public Safety and Traffic Commission adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m. in memory of John Ojeisekhoba.

Submitted:

Attest:

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Emily Benavidez, Secretary

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Steven Dahl, Chairman