

**CITY OF CORONADO**  
**TRAFFIC OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**  
**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**December 9, 2010**

A special meeting of the Traffic Operations Committee (TOC) was held on Thursday, December 9, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Scott Huth, Rachel Hurst, Lou Scanlon, John Traylor and Ed Walton were present. Assistant Engineer Dave Johnson was also present.

1. Minutes of the September 23, 2010 and October 28, 2010 Meetings – The minutes were approved unanimously.
2. Oral Communications – None.
3. Recommendation Regarding the Engineering and Traffic Study for Orange Avenue between First and Third Streets – Mr. Johnson reported that currently the posted speed limit on Orange Avenue is 30 miles per hour (mph). This was put in place by a Council resolution in 1979. Staff performed an Engineering and Traffic Survey to allow Police to use radar on this section of Orange Avenue, per the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices* (MUTCD). The speed survey showed a critical speed of 32 mph in both the north and southbound directions on Orange Avenue between First and Third Streets. Staff also looked at accident history and there has been an average of just over five accidents per year for the last five years. The MUTCD states that physical conditions such as curvature, grade, surface conditions or other conditions readily apparent to the driver, in the absence of other factors, are not a reason for downward speed zoning of that section. In this case, there is a criterion that allows the City to consider residential density in further reducing the speed limit along this section of roadway. This criterion states that if there are 13 or more residential units fronting the roadway on one side of the street within a quarter-mile section of the limits of the street being surveyed, the speed zone can be reduced an additional five mph. Staff found that this portion of Orange Avenue does meet that criterion and although a critical speed of 32 mph would result in the posting of a 30 mph speed limit, the Engineering Department is recommending an additional five mph reduction (a 25-mph speed limit) based on the residential density. Mr. Johnson said there are no streets in the Village with a greater than 25-mph speed limit. From Fourth to Eighth Streets on Orange Avenue the speed limit is 30 mph, but that's a Caltrans speed zone.

Mr. Traylor made a recommendation to support the staff recommendation; Mr. Scanlon seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:14 p.m.