



**City of Salinas**  
**Traffic and Transportation Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Commissioners:**

**Gemma Dailey, Mayor's Appointee**  
**Paula Matelli, District 1 – Orlando Osornio, District 2**  
**Greg Hamer, District 3 – Jose Guerra, District 4**  
**Eric Petersen, District 5 – Paul Hernandez, District 6**

**Rene Mendez, City Manager**  
**David Jacobs, Public Works Director**  
**Public Works Office: (831) 758-7241**

**Thursday, May 14, 2026, 6:00 PM**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**Present: 6 -** Commissioner Paula Matelli  
Commissioner Orlando Osornio  
Commissioner Greg Hamer  
Commissioner Jose Guerra  
Commissioner Eric Petersen  
Commissioner Paul Hernandez

**Absent: 1 -** Commissioner Gemma Dailey

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Eloise Shen approached the Commission to discuss MST planning to move their transit station to the train station. She believes this is a dangerous traffic situation with too many large vehicles.

Peter Zalay approached the Commission to state he supports the ban of the use of Alvin Drive extension for construction debris and a demolition site. It should not be in a residential area.

Yolanda Hayes approached the Commission to agree with Ms. Shen regarding the MST relocation. Ms. Hayes recommended roadway lines are needed on Constitution and Manchester. Ms. Hayes commented she likes what the City of Greenfield has done for bike safety.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**ID#26-203 Approval of Minutes: April 9, 2026**

Recommendation: Approve Minutes of April 9, 2026 Commission Meeting

**Upon Motion by Commissioner Osornio, seconded by Commissioner Guerra, a motion was made to approve Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2026**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 6 - Commissioners Matelli, Osornio, Hamer, Guerra, Petersen, and Hernandez

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Dailey

## **CONSIDERATION AGENDA**

**ID#26-215 2026 Engineering and Traffic Surveys for Speed Limits**

Recommendation: Review of the 2026 Engineering and Traffic Surveys and recommendation that City Council adopt a Resolution approving the establishment of speed limits, as recommended by the 2026 Engineering and Traffic Survey for Speed Limits Technical Report

Junior Engineer Jonathan Hernandez presented his report, on file in the Public Works Department.

Yolanda Hayes approached the Commission to comment regarding speeds on Laurel and Natividad.

Eloise Shen approached the Commission to comment she cannot imagine raising speed limits on any streets in Salinas.

**Commissioner Osornio motioned to recommend City Council adopt a Resolution approving the establishment of speed limits, as recommended by the 2026 Engineering and Traffic Survey for Speed Limits Technical Report, with the exception of adjustments on Sconberg, from Alisal Road to Freedom Parkway / Freedom Road; motion was seconded by Commissioner Guerra.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

- Ayes: 5 - Commissioners Matelli, Osornio, Guerra, Petersen, and Hernandez
- Noes: 1 - Commissioner Hamer
- Absent: 1 - Commissioner Dailey

### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS / REPORTS**

Commissioner Hernandez asked if there is a City resolution for electric bikes and scooters. Commissioner Guerra seconded bringing this item back to the Commission for discussion.

Commissioner Petersen discussed E-bikes, the Alvin Drive extension, prohibiting bicycles from sidewalks, Vision Zero, and recent improvements in his neighborhood.

Commissioner Guerra provided information regarding recent community meetings he has attended, Measure G, and the Crusaders Car Show on May 16<sup>th</sup>, from 10am – 3pm, at Madonna Del Sasso Church; Taco Fest at the Rodeo Grounds on May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>; and asked the public for more participation at City Council meetings.

Commissioner Matelli asked if the Commission can request the PD provide enforcement of specific areas, Adriana Robles advised she will discuss this issue with the Police Chief.

Commissioner Osornio announced a Carshow at Alisal High School on May 17<sup>th</sup>, from 9am – 3pm, at 777 Williams Road.

Commissioner Hamer spoke about ADA ramps going in, the Alvine Drive extension overpass, and asked if Michelle Overmeyer would be coming back to the Commission to provide a presentation regarding the MST move.

Adriana Robles announced National Public Works Week is May 17<sup>th</sup> through May 23<sup>rd</sup>. The City of Salinas, City of Soledad, and the County of Monterey will be having an event on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, from 11:30am - 3pm, at Toro Park.

**ADJOURNMENT / ATTENDANCE AT NEXT MEETING: June 11, 2026**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:16pm.

All Commissioners present plan to attend the June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**APPROVED:**

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**Chairperson Greg Hamer**

**ATTEST:**

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**Crissy English, Administrative Secretary**

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