

City of Salinas

Traffic and Transportation Commission <u>Meeting Minutes</u>

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, September 11, 2025, 6:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner Gemma Dailey

Commissioner Paula Matelli Commissioner Greg Hamer Commissioner Eric Petersen Commissioner Paul Hernandez

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Jose Guerra

Commissioner Orlando Osornio

Chairperson Greg Hamer introduced new Commissioner Gemma Dailey, appointed by Mayor Dennis Donohue.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Michelle Overmeyer of MST approached the Commission to introduce herself and provide a brief overview of MST services.

Leo De La Rosa approached the Commission to report the intersection of Lincoln and Market gets backed up in gridlock during high traffic hours. He suggested a sign be installed, "Do Not Block Intersection".

CONSENT AGENDA

ID#25-396 Approval of Minutes: July 10, 2025

Recommendation: Approve Minutes of July 10, 2025 Commission Meeting

Upon Motion by Commissioner Matelli, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, a motion was made to approve Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2025

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Commissioners Matelli, Hamer, Petersen, and Hernandez

Noes: 0 - None

Abstained: 1 - Commissioner Dailey

Absent: 2 - Commissioners Osornio and Guerra

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

ID#25-395 **2025/2026 Special Curb Marking Deletions**

<u>Recommendation</u>: This is an informational item only. Receive a report on the updated 2025/2026 Special Curb Markings list and removal of three special curb markings.

Assistant Engineer Gerardo Rodriguez made a presentation, on file in the Public Works Department.

Commissioners Matelli, Hernandez, and Hamer had general questions regarding staff's report; answers were provided by Gerardo Rodriguez.

CONSIDERATION AGENDA

1D#25-339 2025/2026 Prioritization of Restriping Projects

<u>Recommendation</u>: A motion recommending City Council approve the 2025/2026 Prioritization of Restriping Projects.

Junior Engineer Jonathan Hernandez made a presentation, on file in the Public Works Department.

Commissioners had general questions and comments; answered by Jonathan Hernandez.

Mary Ann Worden approached the Commission to state she is glad to see the striping updated, but roadway dividers need to be updated also. It is hard to see where the dividers are during evening hours, reflectors need to be added.

Michelle Overmeyer approached the Commission to state MST needs at least 11 feet of width to accommodate their buses, she asked staff to keep this in mind when installing striping.

Upon Motion by Commissioner Petersen, seconded by Commissioner Dailey, a motion was made to recommend City Council approve the 2025/2026 Prioritization of Restriping Projects.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Commissioners Dailey, Matelli, Hamer, Petersen, and Hernandez

Noes: 0 - None

Absent: 2 - Commissioners Guerra and Osornio

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS / REPORTS

Commissioner Hernandez reported the intersection of Calle Cebu and Sherwood needs to be improved. Traffic often gets backed up over the Sherwood bridge.

Commissioner Hamer asked if we could have an informational presentation by staff to explain the process of placing items on the agenda (requirement of two Commissioners to support).

Commissioner Petersen advised he would like to see the Salinas Bicycle Advisory Committee reinstated.

Commissioner Petersen reported on an online presentation, "Bike Highways" produced by the California Bicycle Coalition.

Commissioner Petersen thanked Michelle Overmeyer of MST for attending tonight's Commission meeting.

Commissioner Petersen reported E-scooter and E-bike injuries rose 80% last year.

Commissioner Dailey thanked staff and Commissioners for welcoming her to the commission.

Commissioner Hamer reported he ran into Carl Sedorek, who let him know that MST bus ridership has been up.

Commissioner Hamer encouraged the public to be more involved in Traffic and Transportation Commission meetings.

Adriana Robles let the Commission know TAMC will be present at our next City Council meeting on 9/23/25 to make a presentation regarding our future train connection.

Commissioner Petersen commented TAMC and MST are both great organizations.

Commissioner Hernandez thanked staff for their hard work and reports.

ADJOURNMENT / ATTENDANCE AT NEXT MEETING: August 14, 2025

Meeting was adjourned at 7:41pm.

All Commissioners present plan to attend the October 9th meeting.

APPRO	OVED:
	Chairperson Greg Hamer
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	Crissy English, Administrative Secretary