CAPISTRANO BAY DISTRICT AGENDA REPORT April 26, 2011

Security Reports

ITEM F.2

Proposed Relocation of Posted Speed Limit and Firelane Signs

It is being recommended by staff to relocate the existing traffic signs near the community entrance to a point about 200 feet further south along the seaward fenceline.

The signs read as follows:

- SPEED CHECKED BY RADAR 15 MPH
- NO PARKING IN FIRE LANE
- VEHICLE CODES ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED IN THIS COMMUNITY.....

The speed limit and the vehicle code signs are required by the Vehicle Code. The Fire Lane sign is required by the OCFA.

The Vehicle Code says these signs are to be placed at the entrance to the community in plain view of motorists.

Currently the signs sit behind that small triangular-shaped landscaped island behind the guard building on the right side of the visitors driveway and are obscured from view of motorists entering the road from both lanes.

The landscape design was intended to attract drivers' attention to the left where the dolphin statue and the palapa are positioned. Drivers glance to their left after clearing the entry gates because of the attractive scenery on that side and by the time they redirect their attention back onto the roadway they are already past the traffic signs.

The traffic signs would be more effective and would be seen by more motorists if they were repositioned further south, still along the same fenceline and also turned slightly to face oncoming traffic.