CAPISTRANO BAY DISTRICT AGENDA REPORT January 30, 2013

Security Reports

ITEM F.2

Speeding in the Community

SPEED LIMIT 15 MPH

In the past six weeks there has been an increase in the incidence of vehicles exceeding the speed limit. This is due in large part to our police officer being out for several months for medical reasons creating a lack of enforcement. Officer Sokol is now back on duty and we should begin seeing the effects of his presence on the road. However, Officer Sokol works a random part time schedule and cannot be on duty for the community on a full-time basis and a lot of our violations are occurring when he is off duty.

In response to the current speed problem and in an effort to turn this problem around, the Manager recommends the hiring of a second part time police officer to fill in on those days when Officer Sokol is off duty. To that end, Securitas Special Operations Group has been contacted and a request put out to bring the District another POST Certified police officer to be an additional presence in the community to back up the enforcement of our speed limit on a more effective daily basis.

As an immediate measure, Officer Sokol has been requested to give the District whatever extra time he can. Additionally, our police officer/officers will be instructed to be less permissive and more aggressive in citing offenders and the threshold speed for mandatory issue of citations will be lowered.

Speed limit reminder notices are handed out at the gate for ALL guests and service people. A new speed limit sign has been temporarily posted in front of the residents' entry gates and a few more will be posted throughout the community. The speed records indicate, however, that the notices we hand out and the speed limit signs are not working. On the other hand, there is one type of speed control measure that always slows traffic:

SPEED BUMPS

There are currently four sets of these rubberized speed bumps placed along Beach Road and even casual observation bears out that these things work. Just a thought....