

City of Pacific Grove
Traffic Safety Commission
Rip Van Winkle Community Park Open Space
Minutes of February 27, 2009 Meeting
SITE MEETING

Present: Leinen, Terry, Akeman, Travaille, March, Flesher & Cowan
Staff: Cmdr Nyunt & Celia P. Martinez,
Others: David Dilworth & Open Space Users
Absent: Malcolm Knisely

1. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Chairman David Terry at 4:05 pm. These are notes that were made from comments and alternatives discussed at the field review.

Proposals:

All proposals recommend rocks, etc, to protect the large pine near power pole.

Gretchen Flesher

Proposal #1 – Remove oak by dog bag holder, remove oak that looks like long branch.
Parking in this area.

Proposal #2 – Remove 2 oaks and 1 oak sapling and stump left of gate to add parking

Proposal #3 – Relocate entrance to the right side of pine and use as pull through
rather than back out.

Mark Travaille

1. Start parking @ 1st parallel parking sign, 2-3 spaces to 3 oaks.

2. Start @ 2nd parallel parking sign, 2 spaces

3. Start after 3 oaks past 3rd parallel parking sign, 6 parking spaces +/- . May need to trim large oak branch in this area.

Celia P. Martinez

Remove eleven (11) trees along Congress Avenue to improve parallel parking.

Other Proposals: Consideration be given to having discussions with the School District in regards to utilizing the Forest Grove School parking lot when school is not in session.

Another proposal was to use the parking area on south side of Congress Avenue west of the School. Vehicles could park parallel and the occupants could walk on the existing trail between the trees and private property to access the existing crosswalk across Congress Avenue leading directly to Rip Van Winkle Open Space.

NOTES: Physical protection was recommended to protect pines and delineate zones.
Construction of paths into forest was recommended to avoid damage to under story.

2. **Adjournment** – The meeting ended at 5:00 pm

The next meeting of the Traffic Safety Commission's Sub Committee regarding Rip Van Winkle Open Space will be on Friday, March 3, 2009, 4:00 PM at the Police Department conference room.