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MINUTES
San Antonio Traffic Jam Coalition
Thursday, March 9, 2017

Members and Visitors in attendance:

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| Mona Lisa Didelot | Texas Department of Transportation |
| Dolly Garcia | Texas Department of Transportation |
| Mario Jorge | Texas Department of Transportation |
| Laura Lopez | Texas Department of Transportation |
| Robbi Smith | Texas Department of Transportation |
| Al Johnson | 502 ABW Safety |
| Justin Thibodeaux | 502 ABW JBSA |
| Thomas Powell | 502 ABW JBSA |
| Hernan Rozemberg | Alamo Area Council of Governments |
| Sgt. Wes Anderson | Bexar County Sheriff's Office |
| Deputy Chief Dennis Casillas | Bexar County Sheriff's Office |
| Sgt. Augustin Pruneda | Bexar County Sheriff's Office |
| Sheriff Javier Salazar | Bexar County Sheriff's Office |
| Tracy Talavera | Circles of San Antonio |
| Rebecca Pacini | City of San Antonio TCI |
| Mary Lanoue Gers | Cox Radio |
| Edward Sambrano | Department of Public Safety |
| Lt. Steven Dews | JBSA |
| Melinda Cox | Johnson High School PTSA |
| Roy Gutierrez | Lackland Safety 37 TRW |
| Jackie Ipin | MADD |
| Lt. Heath Purvis | New Braunfels Police Department |
| Brent Smith | San Antonio Police Department |
| Shannon Barkwell | Teens in the Driver Seat |
| Christi Koenig Brisky | Texas Standing Tall |
| Jon Graber | TTI |
| Mandy Fultz | University Health System – Injury Prevention |
| Amanda Merck | UT Health |
| Randy Bermea | UTSA Police Department |
| Maranda Tupper | UTSA Police Department |

Introductions

Mona Lisa Didelot called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Introductions were made.

OUR GOALS

MAINTAIN A SAFE SYSTEM ▪ ADDRESS CONGESTION ▪ CONNECT TEXAS COMMUNITIES ▪ BEST IN CLASS STATE AGENCY

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Monthly Guest Speaker

Bexar County Sheriff Javier Salazar presented on the many new and improved programs that he will be developing within the department. Sheriff Salazar discussed some of these programs such as: Sheriff and Citizens Organized for Public Engagement (S.C.O.P.E.), Building for the first time a SWAT Team, Better utilization for GPS monitoring and Drone use.

Updates

Mona Lisa Update the coalition on the following:

- Project Celebration – Winners PSA's
- Traffic Jam Coalition Facebook Launch
- Elbowz Bike Safety Program/Woodlawn Lake Park
- 2017 Fiesta Oyster Bake – April 21st and 22nd – Need Volunteers
- Campaign Updates: March and April 2017

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| Energy Sector | San Antonio TBD | February – April 2017 |
| Aggressive Driving | Statewide | March 2017 |
| College and Young Adult Flight, Impaired Driving Mobilization | Statewide | March 2017 |
| Work Zone Safety Week | Statewide | April 3 – 7, 2017 |

Round Table:

UTSA Police Department – Maranda Tupper announced they are gearing up for Impaired Driving Awareness month and working with You in the Driver's Seat program. She also announced that April is Sexual Assault Awareness month.

Texas Transportation Institute – John Graber announced the Impaired Driving Forum coming up in Austin on April 26, 2017. <https://www.hwfire.org.uk/safety-and-advice/road-safety/dying-2-drive/>

Melinda Cox announced that the students she took to the Capitol will be recognized by NEISD School Board for their outreach efforts. She is also working with City Council in trying to get another banner to placed in another location and she announced that April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month.

Circles of San Antonio - Tracy Talavera announced they are working on a Social Hosting PSA. Tracy also noted that the Social Host Ordinance is a civil citation and went in to effect on March 1st, 2017. There is a 90 day grace period which will consist of

warnings and education to violators. Citations will begin on June 1st with the 1st citation being \$300 and the 2nd at \$500.

Fort Sam Houston Police Department – Lt. Steven Dews announced several events: HEB Alamo Run on April 2nd, Bike Rodeo on April 8th, and Law Enforcement Torch Run on May 25th.

San Antonio Police Department – Brent Smith stated that fatalities were down by 15 from this date last year. Brent also encouraged everyone to call the SAFFE Officers at (210) 207-7413 to have them participate in any outreach events.

City of San Antonio/Capital Improvements – Rebecca Pacini announced Siclovia will be held March 26th. She also announced that the City of San Antonio is working on two projects, Culebra near Mira Vista which began February 6th, Probandt at Cevallos which began February 20th. Ribbon cutting ceremonies will be held soon.

Joint Base San Antonio – Al Johnson announced the May Motorcycle Rally at Lackland AFB. More details will be coming.

MADD – Jackie Ipina announced Celebration of Life on April 5th, Power Talk 21 on April 21st and Judicial Roundtable on May 10th. More information will be forthcoming.

Teens In The Driver Seat – Shannon Barkwell announced a Child Passenger Safety Seat Conference in Richardson Tx on May 20th – 22nd.

University Health System – Mandy Fultz announced a Carfit event on March 29th at District 2 Senior Center from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. She also announced Safe Kids Day on April 8th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. More information will be coming soon.

Texas Department of Transportation – Laura Lopez announced Work Zone Awareness planning is still going on but she will forward information as soon as possible. She also announced the groundbreaking ceremony for 281 and LP 1604 on March 31st.

Alamo Area Council of Governments – Hernan Rozemberg announced AACOG's & Partners Road Show to be held at the Schertz Civic Center on March 16th and one of AACOG's new programs Alamo Call – Ride 4 Vets (CARV).

New Braunfels Police Department – Lt. Purvis discussed the traffic issues facing the department due to construction on IH 35.

Closing Remarks:

Next Traffic Jam meeting will be held on April 13, 2017.