



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**  
455 North Rexford Drive  
Beverly Hills, CA 90210  
Telephonic/Video Conference

**TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

February 4, 2021  
9:00 AM

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Date/Time: February 4, 2021 / 9:02 AM

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CIVILITY STATEMENT**

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Shalowitz, Solnit, Seidel, Vice Chair Ignarro, Chair Meshkaty  
Commissioners Absent: None  
Staff Present: Shana Epstein, Daren Grilley, Josette Descalzo, Kevin Riley, Martha Eros, Jessie Holzer, Ilene Knebel

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. By State law, the Commission may not discuss or vote on items not on the agenda.

Public comment: Email from Steve Mayer was read into the record.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as presented.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1. Consideration of Minutes**

Consideration of the January 7, 2021 Minutes of the Traffic and Parking Commission regular meeting.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Shalowitz, SECONDED by Vice Chair Ignarro to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of January 7, 2021 as presented (5/0).

AYES: Commissioners Shalowitz, Solnit, Seidel, Vice Chair Ignarro, Chair Meshkaty

ABSTAIN: None

NOES: None

**CARRIED.**

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## **REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES**

### **2. Police Department Report**

Sergeant Chase provided the Police Department report.

### **3. Climate Action and Adaptation Plan Framework**

Environmental Compliance and Sustainability Programs Manager Josette Descalzo presented the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan Framework Project. The Commission provided feedback and recommendations.

## **CONTINUED BUSINESS**

No Items

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **4. Overview of Engineering Division of Public Works**

City Engineer Daren Grilley provided an overview of the Engineering Division of Public Works, including the addition of the Transportation Staff and their duties. The organizational chart was provided to outline each bureau.

Public comment: Email from Mark Elliott was read into the record.

### **5. Doheny Drive Crosswalk Request**

Senior Transportation Engineer Kevin Riley presented City of West Hollywood's request to install marked crosswalks at the intersections of Doheny Drive/Elevado Street and Doheny Drive/Cinthia Street. The Commission indicated support for the project and cooperating with the City of West Hollywood on mobility issues such as this.

### **6. Neighborhood Slow Streets Programs**

Transportation Planner Martha Eros presented a proposal for neighborhood slow streets program. The Commission gave their feedback and recommendations for the project. Staff will advise when moving forward to City Council for consideration.

Public Speakers: Lisa Kay Schwartz.

Public comment: Emails from Betsy Philips, Robin Vogel, Oreet and Steven Smith, Alissa Roston and Hadar Geller were read into the record.

### **7. Proposed Agenda Items for March through July 2021 Meetings**

Transportation Planner Martha Eros provided the proposed calendar for Agenda items for March to July 2021. The Commission suggested items for inclusion to be evaluated for future agendas.

Public comment: Email from Mark Elliott was read into the record.

## **PROJECT UPDATES**

### **8. Project Updates**

Transportation Planner Jessie Holzer provided an update on the status and next steps for the Complete Streets Plan, The Purple Line Extension and North Portal EIR, The Pedestrian and Bicycle Awareness Campaign and Connect Beverly Hills. The Commission provided feedback and recommendations.

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### **QUARTERLY REPORTS**

No items

### **STATUS REPORTS**

No items

### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION**

Commissioner Seidel asked about the enforcement of the correct safety measures for diners at recently opened restaurants noting the crowding over the previous weekend.

### **COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF**

City Engineer Daren Grilley commented about the improved Street Sweeping services that includes a new daytime schedule. The pilot phase began February 1, 2021 with the results of this project being discussed at a Town Hall Meeting on April 7, 2021.

Additional outdoor dining tents were approved by Council for N. Cañon Drive which will require a closure at Clifton Way. A traffic circle will be installed at the intersection of Cañon/Clifton to allow vehicles to turn around.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Date / Time: February 4, 2021 / 11:27 AM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2021

*Nooshin Meshkaty*

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Nooshin Meshkaty, Chair