



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
Room 280A
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

In-Person / Telephonic / Video Conference Meeting

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

November 3, 2022
8:00 AM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: November 3, 2022 / 8:01 AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Geller, Schwartz, Chair Ignarro
Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Afra-Maghen, Vice Chair Shalowitz
Staff Present: Jessie Holzer Carpenter, Martha Eros, Daren Grilley, Ilene Knebel, Lieutenant Robert Maycott, Kevin Riley, Sergeant David Tomlin

Commissioner Afra-Maghen arrived at 8:07 AM.

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 comments were read into the record from Sybil and Jim Goldrich, Valerie Wisotz and Bruce Schwartz, Jeff Berkett, Joanne Lee, Joanna Kaplan, Lawrence Koplin, MD., Sandi Jacobi, and Jerry Jolton

Public Speaker: Public comment was heard from Kory Klem and David Gingold.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Ignarro advised of an amendment to the order of items in the posted Agenda.

Motion: **MOVED** by Commissioner Afra-Maghen, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Geller to approve the Agenda as amended; TAB 4 will be taken after TAB 2 (4/0).

AYES: Commissioners Geller, Afra-Maghen, Schwartz, Chair Ignarro
NOES: None

CARRIED

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes

Consideration of Minutes of the Traffic and Parking Commission regular meeting of October 6, 2022.

2. A Resolution of the Resolution of the Traffic and Parking Commission of the City of Beverly Hills Continuing to Authorize Public Meetings to Be Held via Teleconferencing Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(E) and Making Findings and Determinations Regarding the Same

Comment: Recent legislation was adopted allowing the Traffic and Parking Commission to continue virtual meetings during the COVID-19 declared emergency subject to certain conditions, and the proposed resolution implements the necessary requirements.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Schwartz, SECONDED by Commissioner Geller to approve the consent calendar items as presented (4/0).

AYES: Commissioners Geller, Afra-Maghen, Schwartz, Chair Ignarro
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner Schwartz (from Minutes)

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

3. Police Department Report (Presented After TAB 5)

Lieutenant Robert Maycott who recently joined the Traffic Division, introduced himself and reviewed his direction and goals for traffic enforcement in the City. DUIs, hit and runs and property damage incidents were reviewed. Sergeant David Tomlin announced there would be a Town Hall Meeting this evening regarding proposed changes to the issuance and enforcement of Preferential Parking Permits. He also spoke about the traffic impacts in the southwest due to Metro Construction. The Commission suggested additional areas for enforcement and asked about illegal misuse of disabled parking placards.

Public Speaker: Public comment was heard from David Gingold.

Commissioner Geller left the meeting at 10:02 AM

The commission took a break at 10:17 AM

The commission returned from break at 10:25 AM

4. Monthly Educational Speaker Series – LADOT Vision Zero Program (Presented After TAB 2)

Transportation Planner Jessie Holzer Carpenter introduced LADOT Supervising Transportation Planner Christopher Rider, who provided a presentation and overview of LADOT's Vision Zero Program, a holistic safety plan for traffic with the goal of eliminating traffic deaths in the city of Los Angeles by 2025. He discussed driving injury statistics, safety precautions for pedestrians, street and signal modifications, and long-term safety treatments for high injury roads and focus areas. The Commission asked about the program's success at preventing deaths, effects on traffic congestion, and safe routes.

Public Speaker: Public comment was heard from Kory Klem.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

5. Draft Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program

City Engineer/Public Works Assistant Director Daren Grilley introduced Senior Transportation Engineer Kevin Riley, who presented the Draft Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program. He discussed the program's background and progress in 2022, feedback from residents, and next steps. The Commission discussed the public feedback received and area limitations for the program.

Public Comment: Email comments were read from Milt and Sheila Hyman, Jordan and Brandy Geller, the Southwest Beverly Hills Homeowner's Association, and Ken Goldman.

Public Speaker: Public comment was heard from Ken Goldman, Sandi Jolton, and David Gingold.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Geller, SECONDED by Commissioner Afra-Maghen to approve the program for presentation to City Council with amendments outlined by the Commission (4/0).

AYES: Commissioners Geller, Afra-Maghen, Schwartz, Chair Ignarro
NOES: None

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

6. Subway First/Last Mile Projects

Transportation Planner Jessie Holzer Carpenter reviewed the "First/Last Mile" projects to improve pedestrian safety and transportation on the way to and from the upcoming Metro subway stations. She discussed several projects to improve pedestrian travel, including buffered bike lanes and a new inner city microtransit system based off of the results from the transit feasibility study. The Commission discussed all modalities of transportation, including scooters, in the projects as an option for travel.

Public Comment: Public comment was heard from Kory Klem.

PROJECT UPDATES AND FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

7. Project Update and Follow-up Items

Transportation Planners Jessie Holzer Carpenter and Martha Eros provided updates on projects in the city:

- League of American Bicyclists is reviewing an application from Beverly Hills for status as a bicycle friendly city. Staff is asking for feedback from residents.
- A Clifton/Le Doux Bike Boulevard Feasibility Study meeting was held with the public on October 15th.

Public Speaker: Public comment was heard from David Gingold.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

None.

COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF

City staff advised that they are refining pilot route lines from the transit study, in preparation for a City Council Liaison Meeting. One last reminder was given for the Preferential Permit Parking Town Hall Meeting, regarding the operations and enforcement aspect. It will be held in the City Council Chambers, tonight at 6 PM. The meeting will also be available for virtual participation.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: November 3, 2022 / 10:45 AM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 1st DAY OF DECEMBER, 2022



Sharon Ignarro, M.D., Chair