



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

In-Person / Telephonic / Video Conference Meeting

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

April 6, 2023
9:00 AM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: April 6, 2023 / 9:02 AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Afra-Maghen, Geller, Ignarro, Vice Chair Schwartz

Commissioners Absent: Chair Shalowitz

Staff Present: Sergeant Dale Drummond, Martha Eros, Daren Grilley, Jessie Holzer Carpenter, Ilene Knebel, Kevin Riley

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 Speaker: Public comment was heard from Ellen and Stephen Carmona.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes

Consideration of Minutes of the Traffic and Parking Commission regular meeting of March 2, 2023.

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

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

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

2. Police Department Report

Sergeant Dale Drummond provided an update from the Police Department, including information from a traffic safety conference recently attended. An Office of Traffic Safety enforcement detail will be held on April 14 to reduce the number of cellphone distracted drivers. The Commission asked about the increase in red light citations.

3. Monthly Educational Speaker Series – Crossroads Collision Analytics Software

Senior Transportation Engineer Kevin Riley introduced Jeff Cullen, President of Crossroads Software. He gave a presentation on Crossroads Software, a collision analytics system that provides data on collisions to support both transportation planning and traffic mitigation as needed. The commission asked about how bicycles and motorized bicycles are classified in the data, how to use the data for traffic mitigation, and how frequently the data is updated. The commission also inquired about how non-injury collisions are factored into the data.

4. Traffic Engineering Quarterly Update

Senior Transportation Engineer Kevin Riley provided an update on traffic engineering projects around the city of Beverly Hills including the citywide traffic signal system project, the completion of the Doheny crosswalk project, speed hump installations, the Sunset Boulevard signal upgrade project and the Rexford/Beverly signalization project. The Commission asked about the completion dates of the projects.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

5. City Council Priorities Update

Assistant Director of Public Works/City Engineer Daren Grilley provided an update on the upcoming City Council consideration of priorities and deliverables of fiscal year 2023-2024. The Commission noted the desire to stress the importance of traffic safety and traffic calming as a stronger part of the city's vision statement and for more information on Complete Streets. The Commission also noted highlighting alternative transportation options due to pending arrival of the Metro subway line.

6. Legislative Update

Assistant Director of Public Works/City Engineer Daren Grilley provided an update on proposed legislation from the State of California concerning transportation. The current legislative session will end in September 2023. The Commission inquired about priority of disabled parking placard abuse legislation. Assistant Director Grilley noted that it would likely come up in future bills, as it is a statewide issue. Another legislative update will be provided in a few months.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PROJECT UPDATES AND FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

7. Project Updates and Follow-Up Items

Transportation Planner Martha Eros provided updates on the transit feasibility study. It will be presented to a City Council/Traffic & Parking Commission liaison meeting before being presented to City Council at a later date. She also provided an update on the transit circulator demonstration test run held on March 2 and feedback from those who participated in the test run. Transportation Planner Jessie Holzer Carpenter provided an update on the April edition of the 2023 traffic safety campaign, which focuses on avoiding distractions while driving. On March 25, the city held a demonstration of traffic calming devices at the Clifton-Le Doux corridor. The city received comments from more than 75 participants.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Ignarro announced that the Dutch Cycling Embassy has a four-week course beginning on April 19 concerning bicycle friendly intersections. Vice Chair Schwartz asked about the survey for the Clifton-Le Doux study. Transportation Planner Jessie Holzer Carpenter noted that it would only be sent to residents who live along the corridor, but as it runs through almost the entire city, there would be a large number of residents receiving the survey.

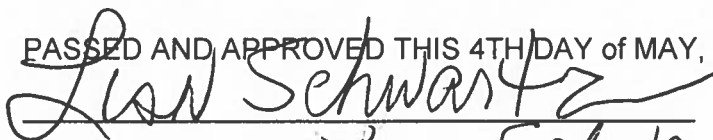
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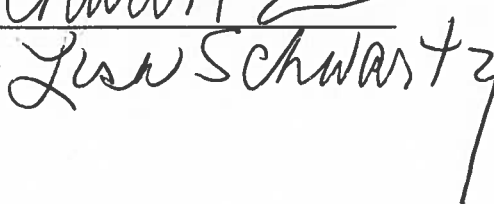
The City is hosting an Earth Day celebration on April 23 at the Farmers' Market.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: April 6, 2023 / 10:29 AM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 4TH DAY of MAY, 2023


Ron Shalowitz, Chair

 Vice Chair