



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

May 4, 2023
9:00 AM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: May 4, 2023 / 9:01 AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Geller, Afra-Maghen (arrived at 9:38 AM), Ignarro, Vice Chair Schwartz, Chair Shalowitz

Commissioners Absent: None.

Staff Present: Daren Grilley, Jessie Holzer Carpenter, Martha Eros, 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 Speaker: Public comment was heard from Tim Shiner and Sandra Tripicchio

Public Comment: Public comment was read into the record from Michael Karric

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 April 6, 2023.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Ignarro, SECONDED by Vice Chair Schwartz to approve the consent calendar item as presented (3/0).

AYES: Commissioner Geller, Ignarro, Vice Chair Schwartz
ABSTAINED: Chair Shalowitz

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

2. Police Department Report

Sergeant Dale Drummond gave an update from the police department on activities during Bicycle Safety Month. Office of Traffic Safety DUI enforcement will be in effect on May 5th for Cinco de Mayo. The Commission asked about how the police would handle pedestrians walking in bike lanes, hit-and-run numbers, and permit parking enforcement issues being faced by the department.

3. Monthly Educational Speaker Series – Metro Bike Share.

Transportation Planner Martha Eros introduced Eric Houston, Senior Manager of LA Metro's Bike Share Program. He gave an overview presentation on the bike share program, including ride costs, station locations, their business program offer, perks and rewards, ride guides, informational maps, and current promotions. The Commission asked about the possibility of the Bike Share Program coming to Beverly Hills. Staff clarified that the City partnering with Metro for bike share will be an option for future consideration. The Commission also asked about e-bikes in the program and lost/missing bikes.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Bike Valet Program

Transportation Planner Jessie Holzer Carpenter and CivicSpark Fellow Elizabeth Morris provided an overview of the bike valet program, which will be introduced at the Beverly Hills Art Show on May 21 and functions similarly to a car valet. The program will include minor repair services. The Commission asked if the program could be included at the weekly farmers' market.

PROJECT UPDATES AND FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

5. Project Updates and Follow-Up Items

Transportation Planner Jessie Holzer Carpenter provided an update on several projects. The pedestrian crossing program has adjusted their priority list of locations for crossing based on Commission feedback and will return to the Commission once designs for the highest priority locations have been prepared. Residents in the area of Clifton Le-Doux, are being asked to participate in a survey based on the traffic control demonstration held earlier this year. She also covered bike related events at the upcoming Beverly Hills Art Show and the Farmers' Market. The Commission asked about traffic signals to notify drivers of pedestrians at the new crossing locations, the design process for the crosswalks at the six-way intersection at Beverly/Canon/Lomitas, improvements at La Cienega and Roxbury Parks, and City Council decision about crosswalk construction. Finally, the Commission inquired about the protected bike lane project at Roxbury Park.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Geller asked if BHUSD could be added to Metro's GoPass bus fare program for students.

COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF

Public Works Assistant Director City Engineer Daren Grilley provided an overview of the upcoming Public Works Day event on May 21.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: May 4, 2023 / 10:33 AM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 1ST DAY of JUNE, 2023

Ron Shalowitz, Chair

Lisa Kay Schwartz

Vice Chair