



# MINUTES

## TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

**March 6, 2018**  
City Council Chamber  
1 Civic Center Plaza  
Irvine, CA 92606

### CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Transportation Commission was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on March 6, 2018 in the City Council Chamber, Irvine Civic Center, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California; Chair Greenberg presiding.

### ROLL CALL

Present:	4	Commissioner:	Rose Casey
		Commissioner:	Ken Montgomery
		Vice Chair:	Carrie O'Malley
		Chair:	Steve Greenberg
Absent:	1	Commissioner:	Sandy Moody

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Greenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

### ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

### ORAL COMMUNICATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

**PRESENTATIONS**

There were none.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1. MINUTES**

**ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Montgomery, seconded by Commissioner Casey and unanimously carried by those members present (Commissioner Moody absent), to:**

- 1) Approve the minutes of a regular meeting of the Transportation Commission held on February 20, 2018 as amended:

**5. BICYCLE PARKING AT THE GREAT PARK**

A friendly amendment was made by Vice-Chair O'Malley and accepted by Commissioner Montgomery, as the maker of the motion, and unanimously carried.

**6. ROADWAY ALIGNMENT FOR EXTENSION OF BOSQUE AVENUE**

A friendly amendment was made by Vice-Chair O'Malley and accepted by Commissioner Casey, as the maker of the motion, and unanimously carried.

**COMMISSION BUSINESS**

**2. PROJECT PRIORITIZATION FOR THE IRVINE BUSINESS COMPLEX TRANSPORTATION MITIGATION FEE PROGRAM**

Melissa Dugan, Supervising Transportation Analyst, presented the item and answered questions. Bill Jacobs, Principal Planner, was also available to answer questions.

Commission discussion included: 1) project item 11 (Jamboree Road at Main Street) – proposed options were to have it removed as a project item since the Transportation Commission previously voted against this project; staff was asked to return with a proposal to add a fifth lane for a southbound only widening project and seek other options for southbound on Jamboree to northbound ramp to the I405; the language of adding a fifth lane was addressed with a request to leave this item on the list with an indication that other options will be evaluated; funding issues were also discussed for this item; 2) representation of the Irvine Business Complex (IBC) fee mitigation projects which will be part of the next IBC fee mitigation study and acknowledgment that this project (Jamboree widening) has been declined by both the Transportation Commission and City Council; 3) southbound ramps

as part of a collection of improvements; 4) reference to a previous request for a joint session with City Council and confirmation of current plans to move forward with the joint session; 5) the need for Jamboree congestion to be addressed; 6) items that involve Costa Mesa, Santa Ana, Tustin, and other cities with regard to funding agreements; 7) project item 14 (Dyer Roadway Widening) as part of IBC project and its impact beyond Irvine; 8) identification that project items 14 and 17 are in the wrong location on the prioritization vicinity map, which staff will correct before presentation to City Council; 9) project item 5 (Loop Road/Park Avenue at Warner Avenue) is in Tustin, but we are responsible for it due to IBC impact; its value and timing is in question with regard to its impact and several issues with bicycles; this project will be reviewed again in the study; suggestion was made to move it down in priority; 10) project item 10 (Jamboree northbound Ramps/Warner Avenue) – question on viability, suggestion for new striping plan and to lower its priority; 11) project item 1 (Jamboree Road Pedestrian Bridge) - request to specify it as Jamboree/Michelson Pedestrian Bridge for clarification; 12) project item 4 (Jamboree Road at Michelson Drive) – suggestion to lower it in priority to see if project item 1, the Pedestrian Bridge, mitigates the need for this item; 13) project item 3 (Jamboree Road at Barranca Parkway) – clarification that this item was stated correctly; 14) suggestion to restate project item 11 (Jamboree Road at Main Street) indicating that it has been voted down, should be studied further, and brought back to Transportation Commission for mitigation efforts; 15) project item 15 (Alton overcrossing) – Santa Ana does not yet have funding, but continues to make efforts to secure funding; recommendation was made to adjust constructability factor or use another way to impact ranking to acknowledge that it cannot be constructed near term and re-allocate funds elsewhere; 16) financial Impact; and 17) suggestion to measure and rank each project based on level of congestion relief with and without mitigation.

**ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Montgomery, seconded by Vice-Chair O'Malley, motion carried 4-0-1 (Commissioner Moody absent) to:**

Request staff take Commission feedback and return to the Commission for further review and discussion, with the inclusion of a benefit-cost analysis, proposed by Commissioner Casey.

**3. PILOT PROJECT TO DEVELOP STRIPING MODIFICATIONS FOR WESTWOOD AND NORTHWOOD BETWEEN MAYFLOWER AND MONITOR**

Tran Tran, Senior Transportation Engineer, presented the item and answered questions. Jaimee Bourgeois, City Traffic Engineer, was also available to answer questions

Commission discussion included: 1) considering alternative options similar to this model of buffer bike lane with parked vehicles; none exist in Irvine and this will be the first; this model has been vetted by the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) and adopted by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans); 2) concern for the safety of

bicyclists with entry and exit of vehicles through the bicycle buffer zones; guidelines for entry and exit are addressed; 3) expectation for improvements for both bicyclists and vehicles; 4) with such proximity to a school, there is an expectation that many of the bicyclists will be children; 5) a communication plan is set with regard to signage and education for middle schools; 6) since this is a pilot project, there will be testing on mitigation of speed-related issues and school congestion; if unsuccessful, there is an option return to the existing configuration; 7) implementation timeline - if approved, striping changes will be made immediately and an update will be presented to the Transportation Commission during the summer; 8) the ultimate goal is safer streets; 9) options for various parking restrictions, clarity of signage and benefits of providing parking near a local park; 10) no recommendation for new striping on the other side of the street in order to discourage children and parents from running across the street; staff will reevaluate this decision after this pilot is completed; 11) comparison of bike lane styles; 12) confirmation of support for this plan by the Irvine Unified School District; and 13) information that signing and striping changes can be implemented by staff, but requested input from the Transportation Commission due to the significance of changes.

**ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Casey, seconded by Vice-Chair O'Malley, motion carried 4-0-1 (Commissioner Moody absent) to:**

- 1) Recommend that City staff proceed with implementation of striping modifications, as described in this staff report, on Westwood and Northwood between Mayflower and Monitor on a pilot project basis.
- 2) Recommend that staff implement unrestricted on-street parking on Westwood and Northwood between Mayflower and Monitor (Design Alternative 2).

**ACTION: A friendly amendment was made by Vice-Chair O'Malley, accepted by Commissioner Casey as the maker of the motion, and unanimously carried (4-0-1 Commissioner Moody absent) to:**

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- 2) Recommend that staff implement unrestricted on-street parking on Westwood and Northwood between Mayflower and Monitor (Design Alternative 2).
- 3) Recommend that education efforts and signage be included in this project.

#### **ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

Commissioner Montgomery requests making a third lane on Von Karman between Alton and Barranca, to avoid vehicle usage of the bike lane as a third lane during high traffic hours. Director Linsenmayer indicated that a feasibility study is in place for re-striping.

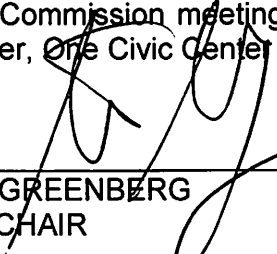


Consideration for the cancellation of the April 3, 2018 Transportation Commission meeting, due to schedule conflict with a majority of the commissioners.

**ACTION: Moved by Vice-Chair O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Casey, motion carried 4-0-1 (Commissioner Moody absent) to:**

Cancel the Transportation Commission meeting of April 3, 2018.

**ADJOURNMENT**

By consensus, Chair Greenberg adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m. to a regular Transportation Commission meeting on March 20, 2018 at 5:30 p.m., City of Irvine, City Council Chamber, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, CA.

 _____ STEVE GREENBERG CHAIR	 _____ MARK LINSENMAYER DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION
 _____ DEBORAH KELLY RECORDING SECRETARY	<u>3/20/18</u> _____ DATE APPROVED