



MINUTES
TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING

March 20, 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 5:31 p.m. on March 20, 2018.

ROLL CALL

Present:	5	Commissioner:	Rose Casey
		Commissioner:	Ken Montgomery
		Commissioner:	Sandy Moody
		Vice Chair:	Carrie O'Malley
		Chair:	Steve Greenberg

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

1. CITYWIDE BICYCLIST, PEDESTRIAN, MOTORIST SAFETY PROGRAM

Mike Davis, Transit Programs Administrator, presented the item and answered questions.

Discussion included: 1) the need to identify when bicyclists should yield to pedestrians; 2) the importance of pedestrians to keep their leashed dogs close to them and to be aware of bicycle traffic; 3) larger "Keep Right" signage; and 4) include promoting the usage of a rearview mirror, as safety equipment on message boards.

CONSENT CALENDAR

2. MINUTES

Commission discussion included: 1) the implementation and use of friendly amendments to motions, given that the amendment needs approval by the original maker of the motion.

ACTION: Moved by Vice-chair O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Montgomery and unanimously carried, to:

- 1) Approve the minutes of a regular meeting of the Transportation Commission held on March 6, 2018 as amended.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

3. PASEO WESTPARK PARKING REGULATIONS

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

Public Comment:

David Beard, resident of Paseo Westpark, spoke against staff recommendations of allowing parking on Santa Alicia, stating that the recommendation moves the problem to another location and does not effectively address the problem.

Stephen Palm, resident of Paseo Westpark, spoke against staff recommendations, stating it would only move the problem to another location. He suggested restricting parking and indicated that each area should have its own parking in the area.

Saresh Sigantoria, resident of Paseo Westpark at Villanova, spoke against staff recommendations, stating it would only move the problem to another location.

Shahzeen Sigantoria, resident of Paseo Westpark, spoke against staff recommendations, stating it would only move the problem to another location. She believes a commercial vehicle company may be taking up parking for their vehicles, and noted concerns with trash and illegal activity in the area.

Laura Otis, resident of Paseo Westpark, spoke against staff recommendations, noting various dangers, and the lack of a crosswalk and stop signs. She requested an alternate solution and suggested an increase in police enforcement on Santa Ynez.

Todd Fisher, a resident of Paseo Westpark and Brio HOA Board of Directors member, spoke against staff recommendations, stating that it would undermine all efforts the HOA has made to improve the quality of life for the community. He also expressed safety concerns.

Daniel M Guiney, resident of Paseo Westpark, spoke against staff recommendations. He suggested a "No Parking" zone on Santa Ynez and expressed safety concerns. He requested the focus remain on the street with the issue and not move the parking problem to Santa Ynez.

Kay Guiney, resident of Paseo Westpark, stated that the community had obtained 66 signatures in opposition of staff's recommendations.

Byron Luoma, resident of Paseo Westpark, spoke regarding overnight parking restrictions as a possible alternative.

Commission discussion included: 1) current parking allotment in the apartment complexes, including areas for residents and guests; 2) current zoning requirements for high density parking areas; 3) changes in parking behaviors and patterns since the apartments were built; 4) the provision of on-street parking not being consistent with current roadway classification; 5) Hearthstone as a secondary arterial; 6) enforcing a 72-hour parking restriction on all streets, and the violation process for Public Safety; 7) the potential for making these streets private and the process to do so; 8) a reference to the fact that this concern came up several years ago and the recommendation was to approach the HOA and survey the residents for restricted parking; 9) clarification on the number of homes that face the street where on-street parking is proposed; 10) safety issues and having the police department become more involved; and 11) a review of all options to include permits, private street conversion, and preferential parking districts (only south of I-405).

ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Montgomery, seconded by Commissioner Moody, to:

Recommend that City staff proceed with signage and striping modifications to allow for on-street parking on the south side of Hearthstone (18 spaces) as an initial solution.

ACTION: A friendly amendment was made by Commissioner Casey, accepted by Commissioner Montgomery as the maker of the motion, and unanimously carried, to:

- 1) Recommend that City staff proceed with signing and striping modifications to allow for on-street parking on the south side of Hearthstone (18 spaces) as an initial solution.
- 2) Monitor the area for three months and return to the Transportation Commission to report the results.

ACTION: A friendly amendment was made by Chair Greenberg, and not accepted by Commissioner Montgomery as the maker of the motion, to:

- 3) Alert police department to increase patrol due to complaints of drug use and noise levels.

4. APPROVAL OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR PROTECTED-PERMISSIVE LEFT-TURN PHASING PROJECT

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) U-turn restrictions being site-specific; 2) coordination with the Community Services Department to add information to Inside Irvine, a publication that goes out to residents; 3) availability of live video on the City's website for review by City Council; 4) utilization of the Nextdoor app; 5) presence on Youtube and other social media; 6) coordination of information with Public Safety and the School District; 7) the use of message boards to alert residents near the affected locations and those that are likely to be walking and bicycling in the area; 8) community information at community meetings and town-hall meetings; 9) implementation of only six locations and the monitoring of results before investing in other intersections; staff will monitor quarterly for one year; 10) how the initial six intersections were selected – including number of lanes, vehicle volume, pedestrian activity, speed of traffic, roadway geometrics, and visibility; 11) the option to monitor the first set of intersections for six months before moving ahead with the second set of 14 intersections; 12) suggestion to remove Farwell and Culver due to pedestrian and bicycle

traffic at this intersection; 13) implementation in other cities and their results; 14) the inclusion of wheelchair ramps, which are currently part of the design; 15) schools as part of the evaluation parameters and the ability to turn the flashing yellow signals off and on at will; 16) current plan to implement regular daily times, in order to increase consistency; 17) other options that may include having the green arrow turn on when three or more vehicles are in the queue; 18) the majority of locations chosen are identified to be north of the I-405 freeway; 19) discuss the results in the Thousand Oaks neighborhood; and 20) reports of increased traffic in left-turn lanes at intersections.

ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Casey, seconded by Commissioner Moody, and unanimously carried, to:

- 1) Recommend the intersection of Fallwell/Culver be extracted from the initial set of six intersections.
- 2) For the set of five intersections, recommend City Council approve construction plans, specifications, and contract documents for Protected-Permissive Left-Turn Phasing Project, Capital Improvement Project 331704;
- 3) For the set of five intersections, recommend City Council approve the Engineer's Estimate, Construction Contingency and Project Funding Summary;
- 4) For the set of five intersections, recommend City Council authorize staff to solicit competitive bids and award the construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in accordance with the City's purchasing policies and procedures, within the approved project budget;
- 5) Delay recommendation for City Council approval of an amendment to the scope of Capital Improvement Project 331704 to proceed with evaluation, design, and construction for additional intersections identified to be compatible for protected-permissive left-turn phasing. Recommend staff monitor results of implementation of the initial set of five intersections for six months and return to the Transportation Commission for review of results and further recommendation, prior to implementation of the second set of intersections.

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

Melissa Dugan, Supervising Transportation Analyst, presented the item and answered questions. Jaimee Bourgeois, City Traffic Engineer, was also available to answer questions.

Commission discussion included: 1) Project Item 17 (Jamboree Road at Main Street) – staff will provide the Commission new alternatives and include them as part of the traffic study update for 2019; this is still

identified as part of Irvine Business Complex (IBC) study; 2) suggestion to share technology from Project Item 1 (Jamboree Road at Michelson Drive) with the Commission going forward; 3) how the prioritization of projects relates to the timing of the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) budget and 2019 traffic study; 4) IBC funding summary and how the projects will be affected by the actual availability of funds and the projects currently in process; 5) various potential funding sources; 6) clarification that projects the City shares with other cities have moved up on the priority list, due to significant traffic benefits; 7) clarification that these projects would not move forward if the other cities have not provided funding; 8) request for a notation that Project Item 17 (Jamboree Road at Main Street) has been voted to not continue with development at this time; 9) safety issues with Project Item 9 (Culver Drive at Michelson Drive) – staff is currently monitoring this intersection; 10) question as to whether the IBC fund has ever been audited, and a suggestion to review audit history and monitor development fees; 11) how projects shared with other cities are funded – 90 percent are paid as part of IBC fees; and 12) the breakdown of the current budget for projects to move forward.

ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Montgomery, seconded by Commissioner Moody, to:

Recommend City Council approve the prioritization of transportation improvements identified in the 2015 Irvine Business Complex Transportation Mitigation Fee Program Update.

ACTION: A friendly amendment was made by Chair Greenberg, accepted by Commissioner Montgomery as the maker of the motion, to:

- 1) Recommend City Council approve the prioritization of transportation improvements identified in the 2015 Irvine Business Complex Transportation Mitigation Fee Program Update.
- 2) Seek funding assistance from other cities.

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

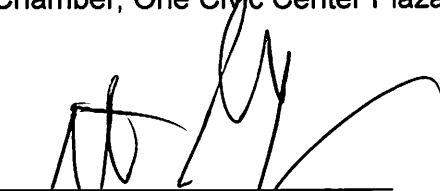
- 1) Recommend City Council approve the prioritization of transportation improvements identified in the 2015 Irvine Business Complex Transportation Mitigation Fee Program Update.
- 2) Reach out to other cities to seek funding assistance.
- 3) Include a notation in the priority ranking that Project Item 17 (Jamboree Road at Main Street) has been voted down by the Transportation Commission and City Council.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

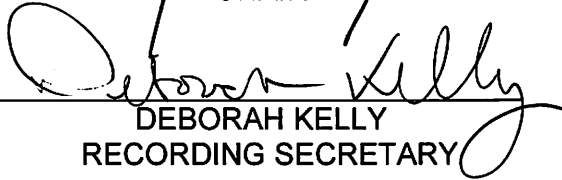
The Transportation Commission meeting of April 3, 2018 has been canceled.

ADJOURNMENT

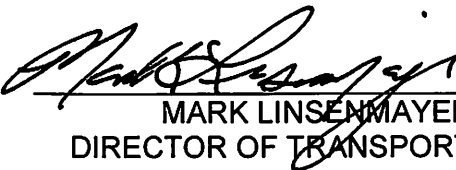
By consensus, Chair Greenberg adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m. to a regular Transportation Commission meeting on April 17, 2018 at 5:30 p.m., City of Irvine, City Council Chamber, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, CA.



STEVE GREENBERG
CHAIR



DEBORAH KELLY
RECORDING SECRETARY



MARK LINSENMAYER
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

4/17/18

DATE APPROVED