



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: April 21, 2009
To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
From: Aaron Kunz, Deputy Director of Transportation *AK*
Subject: City Council/Traffic & Parking Commission Liaison Notes
Attachments: 1. March 5 Liaison Notes

Attached you will find the City Council/Traffic & Parking Commission Liaison Notes from their March 5, 2009 meeting.

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David Gustavson, Director
Approved By



City of Beverly Hills
City Council – Traffic & Parking Commission Liaison Meeting

Thursday, March 5, 2009
3:00pm (PST)

**SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
NOTES**

Attendance: Councilmembers Linda Briskman and Jimmy Delshad; TPC Chair Joyce Braun, Vice-Chair Ken Goldman; Public Works Director David Gustavson, Transportation & Parking Director Chad Lynn, Transportation Planner Martha Eros

1. Public Comment

- No public comment.

2. Alpine Drive – Dayton Way – North Rexford Drive Intersection

- Resident-initiated request to control ingress/egress traffic and speeds on Alpine Drive by installing pedestrian crosswalks and a “traffic island” at the 5-point intersection
- Review Traffic & Parking Commission’s recommendation from the February 2009 study session to improve the crosswalk markings at the intersection and cease further action
- Council members Briskman and Delshad proposed placing speed trailers on Alpine Drive at/near the intersection to determine if speed is an issue, and return to TPC if speed survey warrants further review
- Liaison committee supports staff’s recommendation for a resident-initiated petition for speed humps on this 400-ft long street
- Proceed with crosswalk markings to mitigate pedestrian safety issues.

3. Clifton Way

- Resident-initiated proposal to create a cul-de-sac on 8500 block of Clifton Way at La Cienega to address cut-through traffic during peak PM hours
- Councilmember Briskman added that noise and livery services from the new SLS Hotel (Los Angeles jurisdiction) is impacting adjacent Beverly Hills residential neighborhoods
- Research any ordinances or CUP’s issued by Beverly Hills and/or City of Los Angeles specific to parking and noise
- Refer to TPC for Study Session
- Conduct a parking count for weekday PM peak hour and Saturday evening; observe pedestrian destination (i.e., hotel, restaurants).

4. Olympic Boulevard

a. Saturday parking restrictions

- Resident complaint specific to Saturday parking restrictions on Olympic Boulevard
- Commercial/restaurant employees parking on Olympic Blvd as an alternative to meters or private/public parking lots
- Initial complaint pedestrians walking to Century City and BH business triangle
- TPC Commissioner Vice-Chair Goldman put forth that employees from Wilshire Blvd department stores alternative parking on Olympic Blvd possibly to avoid parking costs
- Refer to TPC for Study Session
- Conduct a Saturday license plate count on Olympic Blvd between Spalding and Beverwil drives to determine residency and observe pedestrian destination
- Challenge involves “assumptions” in determining destination.

5. *Bus Stops*

a. *Bus Shelters*

- Transportation staff has conducted an inventory of bus stops, shelters and amenities
- Four bus shelters in BH jurisdiction: 3 owned/maintained by private contractor CBS Outdoor with (movie/TV) advertisements; 1 custom hotel shelter
- Liaison Committee suggested staff review the near side/far side locations of bus stops and impact on flow of traffic
- Councilmember Delshad proposed that bus shelter advertisements be exclusive/limited to City-sponsored community events or public service announcements
- Internal program requires a capital investment by the City to install new bus shelters and hardware, and to implement a permanent Public Works bus stop maintenance program to maintain stops, shelters, replace billboards, graffiti abatement
- City staff to analyze bus shelter improvements and possible new/additional locations
- City staff to compare costs, benefits and liabilities of operating the program internally or to continue outsourcing, and the potential revenue stream generated from (public vs. private) bus shelter advertising
- City staff to research legal issues related to advertising content restrictions/conditions

b. *Bus Benches*

- A majority of bus benches citywide are dilapidated and staff is researching funding sources for amenities replacement; 5 benches have back-side billboards.

6. *North Santa Monica Boulevard*

a. *Topography & Utilities Survey*

- Update on status of North Santa Monica Blvd (NSM) improvement project
- Focus on NSM and Wilshire blvd improvements; no longer considered a "widening" project
- Address signals, curb and gutter, utilities, paving, medians
- Improve and extend right-turn lane on westbound SMB to Wilshire Blvd
- Topography & Utilities survey pending directive; original proposals submitted in July 2009, confirm if proposals (financials) are still valid prior to City Council award of contract.

NEW BUSINESS

a. *Parking Master Plan Study*

- TPC Chair Braun and Vice-Chair Goldman introduced the proposed 2009 TPC Work Plan item for consideration; TPC ad hoc committee pending directive from Liaison Committee
- Master Plan proposed as a result of residential permit zone requests, employee parking impacts on residential streets, and new commercial developments (or changes in scope for existing uses)
- Master Plan to include a parking inventory of all public and private spaces, occupancy, capacity, analyze supply and demand for spaces, and community outreach strategy
- Analyze fee-based vs. free and public vs. private parking costs
- Liaison committee proposed a phased segments for the study
- Staff to research funding source for a preliminary inventory/count of citywide parking spaces.

b. *CCTV Cameras Status*

- Councilmember Delshad asked for an update of CCTV cameras (installation/operation), Signal synchronization, and the Technology Committee.

c. *Diagonal Intersections Analysis*

- Councilmember Delshad inquired about the effectiveness of the six diagonal crosswalk intersections in the City.

7. *Adjournment*

- March 5, 2009, 4:00PM