



## CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS STAFF REPORT

**Meeting Date:** December 6, 2011  
**To:** Honorable Mayor & City Council  
**From:** Aaron Kunz, Deputy Director of Transportation *AK*  
**Subject:** Proposal to Reduce the Traffic & Parking Commission from Seven to Five Members

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### **INTRODUCTION**

In August 2011 the City Council approved reducing the Human Relations Commission, Fine Arts Commission and Architectural Commission from seven to five members to achieve operational efficiencies. The City Council raised the possibility of reducing other seven member Commissions through attrition. With two Traffic & Parking Commission (TPC) vacancies occurring within the next six months, staff and the City Council/TPC Liaison Committee proposes reducing the number of TPC members from seven to five.

### **DISCUSSION**

Currently, the City has two seven-member Commissions: TPC and Health & Safety Commission. The City Council appointed Commissioner Howard Fisher to the Planning Commission effective January 2012. Commissioner Ira Friedman's term expires in May 2012. He is not eligible for reappointment. The next vacancy on the Traffic & Commission will occur in April 2014.

The City Council/Traffic & Parking Commission Liaison Committee met on November 7, 2011. City Council Liaisons Brien and Mirisch, TPC Chair Jeff Levine and TPC Vice Chair Julie Steinberg agreed that the TPC should be reduced from seven to five members. The one concern is that the Traffic & Parking Commission be comprised of representatives from all areas of the City. The Committee agreed that the remaining five Commissioners provide representation of all parts of the City and future appointments should consider maintaining geographical balance.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the City Council direct staff to bring forward an ordinance to modify the Municipal Code to reduce the number of TPC members from seven to five.

  
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David Gustavson  
Approved By