

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

**CITY HALL ROOM 280-A
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210**

MINUTES

TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

September 6, 2012

9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: FRIEDMAN, LICHT, LEVINE, GRUSHCOW, STEINBERG
ABSENT: None

STUDY SESSION

1. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Sergeant Lynch and Sergeant Mader provided an informational update.

2. COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT

Mayor's Cabinet Meeting – August 14, 2012

Chair STEINBERG presented a detailed overview of the meeting.

3. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT

Principal Planner, Michele McGrath, provided an informational update.

4. STATUS REPORT

- a. **Bicycle Update**
- b. **Tour Bus Update**
- c. **ParkPlus Demo: GIS-based Parking Supply / Reward Model**
- d. **2011 Halloween Enforcement Report Update**
- e. **Correspondence**
- f. **Traffic and Parking Commission Project Matrix**

Transportation Planner Martha Eros informed the Commission that *Fehr & Peers Transportation Consultants* is currently developing the design and specifications for the two pilot bicycle routes approved by City Council (4/0) on August 23, 2012. Staff will test a Class II bike lane on Burton Way between the east city limit to Crescent

Drive; and a Class II bike lane on North Crescent Drive between Sunset Boulevard and North Santa Monica Boulevard (SMB) and a Class III sharrow/shared bike route continuing south between SMB and Wilshire Boulevard. Staff will present the proposed design and specifications to the City Council prior to implementation, and provide public notice to all affected stakeholders adjacent to the pilot bicycle route project.

Director of Parking Operations Chad Lynn and Brett Wood of *Sherman Wood Associates Parking Consultants* provided a teleconference report and online demonstration of ParkPlus, a GIS-based parking supply and inventory system.

Parking Services Manager Russell Platamone informed the Commission on the annual Halloween Parking Enforcement planning strategies.

ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Resident Jake Manaster voiced his concerns about traffic control devices at the intersection of Moreno and Spalding Drives. Mr. Manaster also informed Commission an unlicensed tour bus on Olympic Boulevard committed a traffic infraction by performing illegal stops.

Commissioner FRIEDMAN suggested the Tour Bus Ad-Hoc Committee focus on safety concerns with the operation of tour buses in the City.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS (ORAL)

Commissioner LICHT inquired if the City of Santa Monica allows electric cars to park at meters free of charge. Staff will provide an update for the October TCP meeting.

Chair STEINBERG asked for further investigation of a yield sign at the corner of Moreno and Spalding, as raised by resident Jake Manaster during public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

1. 600 BLOCK OF NORTH ALTA DRIVE – RESIDENT INITIATED REQUEST TO ESTABLISH PREFERENTIAL PARKING ZONE “O” WITH AN EVENING ONLY PARKING REGULATION.

- Qualifying petition to establish “No Parking, 8 pm to 2:30 am, Daily, Permit “O” Exempt” regulation to address parking intrusion.

Review of a resident-initiated request to establish a “No Parking, 6 pm to 2:30 am, Daily, Permit “O” Exempt” regulation to address parking intrusion.

Transportation Planner Martha Eros provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining the neighborhood characteristics, the parking occupancy counts, and analysis on the existing parking impacts and conditions. Staff recommends an

evening permit parking regulation of “No Parking, 8 pm to 2:30 am, Daily, Permit ‘O’ Exempt” consistent with the adjacent blocks in Zone “O.”

Lead Petitioner Doreen Wallach shared her observations and experiences with parking displacement and commuter disturbances in the late evening hours. Ms. Wallach supports an 8pm versus 6pm permit parking regulation as recommended by staff.

Resident Jennifer Levin expressed her support of the initiative.

Resident June Claman expressed her opposition of the initiative.

Resident Anne Osberg expressed her opposition of the initiative.

Resident Chie Lee expressed her opposition of the initiative.

Commissioner LICHT inquired on alternative approaches, other than permit parking, utilized by other jurisdictions to address parking displacement in residential neighborhoods.

Motion by FRIEDMAN, seconded by LICHT

5/0 To approve the resident initiated request to establish Preferential Parking Permit Zone “O” with an evening only parking regulation.

AYES: FRIEDMAN, LICHT, LEVINE, GRUSHCOW, STEINBERG

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ASTAIN: None

CARRIED

2. BICYCLE RACK GUIDELINE RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)

- Review staff’s proposal for an enhanced bicycle rack program and implementation guidelines.

Review staff’s proposal for an enhanced bicycle rack program and implementation guidelines.

Transportation Planner Martha Eros provided an updated report that incorporates the Traffic & Parking Commission’s recommendations from the August 2, 2012 meeting, including a bicycle education element, a proposed mapping of bike rack installations in the business triangle and citywide commercial/restaurant districts; and details on post-and-loop and custom-designed bike rack styles.

Motion by GRUSHCOW, seconded by LEVINE

5/0 To recommend to City Council approval to implement a bicycle rack program.

AYES: FRIEDMAN, LICHT, LEVINE, GRUSHCOW, STEINBERG

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ASTAIN: None

CARRIED

3. CONSIDERATION OF THE AUGUST 2, 2012 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Motion by FRIEDMAN, seconded by LEVINE

5/0 To approve the August 2, 2012 minutes.

AYES: FRIEDMAN, LICHT, LEVINE, GRUSHCOW, STEINBERG

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ASTAIN: None

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT