



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**  
**TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION**

Meeting of January 10, 2013

**TO:** Traffic & Parking Commission

**FROM:** Bijan Vaziri, Traffic Engineer

**SUBJECT:** Traffic Engineer Quarterly Report

**Traffic Engineering Activities – October 2012 through December 2012**

**(Bolded: New activities for this Quarter)**

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**A: Capital Improvement Projects**

**1: Citywide parking sign improvements – remove and replace outdated signs and improve uniformity:**

Over 1,100 permit parking signs at 41 parking zones were replaced with new signs and dimensions by the contractor (Maneri Sign company) and by the City crew in 2012. **During December 2012, the contractor replaced the outdated City limit signs and Overnight Parking Program Boundary Signs (over 100 signs). Staff is conducting field inventory preparing the final check list of misc. old signs and poles that need to be replaced and they will be attended to by the City crew in order of priority during 2013. (this item will be deleted in the next quarterly report)**

**2: Safety improvements along Sunset Boulevard between Whittier and Benedict Canon Drive: Signs and striping and delineators have been installed by City staff since March 2012. Staff presented a status report to the Council on November 6, 2012. The next update and action plan is tentatively scheduled for April-May 2013.**

**3: In response to limited resources of the City for implementation of work orders related to street striping and markings, staff is preparing "Request For Proposals" (RFP) to be submitted to private companies providing striping and marking services. Funding for this purpose would be available in the Capital Improvement budget of the Transportation Division for the Fiscal year of 2012-2013. Staff is preparing a citywide list of locations in need of re-striping.**

**4: Reviewed and approved plans for a bike route for Burton Way within the "City of Los Angeles". Assisted the development of a similar project in Beverly Hills.**

**5: Final check of striping of the Gateway project (CIP) at Wilshire & Western boundary.**

**6: Conducted field assessment of the proposed crosswalk in front of the Beverly Hills Audi dealership with recruited design consultant.**

**B: Ongoing traffic studies and data collection (citywide):**

- 1: Conducted new traffic counts and speed studies. **Ongoing**
- 2: Conducted multiple day parking inventory surveys for **2** permit parking applications within the last three months.
- 3: Responded to public inquiries about the placement of signs, red curbs, striping, address markings, traffic counts, and requests for information from the public, traffic citation challenges, records subpoenas, expert witness requests, depositions, court appearances, complaints for traffic congestion, school area traffic and parking management and other traffic engineering issues. **Ongoing**
- 4: Prepared **25** work orders for the Public Works Street Division to place or relocate traffic and parking signs, street markings, curb markings, striping plans, meter heads/posts, signal timing adjustments, coordination timing and signal pole replacements. Responded to **11** requests from residents to paint red curbs adjacent to the approaches at their properties.
5. Speed humps applications in process: 200 S. Le Doux Road (was constructed on August 2012), **200 S. Gale (a multi-family block-preparing address list to receive signatures of adjacent residents units).**
6. **Modification of striping and signs for temporary closure of the 400 block of Crescent Drive during the holiday season for the operation of the Ice Rink.**

**C: Private Development Transportation Reviews**

- 1: Continued the review process for traffic impact reports and/or EIRs for the following developments:
  - Study of the Gateway commercial project mitigation measures. Evaluation of alternative driveway approaches from and to N. Santa Monica Boulevard.***
  - Finalizing the review of median and intersection improvements at City Hall and Rexford intersection.***
  - Finalizing the review of bollards operation and signal modifications on 400 N. Crescent.***
  - Finalizing the review of the revised parking design for the proposed office building at 121 Spalding Drive.***
  - Evaluation of proposed changes of the Hilton project construction phasing.***
  - Evaluation of proposed modifications of the parking layouts of the 9900 Wilshire project.***
  - Evaluation of hauling schedule and circulation of 121 San Vicente project.***

Provided comments and corrections. Met with the Community Development staff and attended Planning Commission preparatory meetings. Met with the applicants and traffic consultants.

- 2: **Reviewed over 36 traffic plan applications** for public right-of-way permits in cooperation with the City's Permit Center. Traffic plans are required to be prepared by applicants for temporary closure (less than 24 hours) of a traffic lane, generally for the following purposes:

*Delivery of construction equipment and materials, temporary use of metered spaces for special occasions and utility repairs and replacement by Edison, Phone Co. and others.*

**Completed placement of signs for tour bus stops and staging relocation with respect to the City's storage project and the City's Farmer's Market.**

**Reviewed the preliminary traffic plans for staging Subway Project - La Cienega Station**

3: Reviewed construction-related transportation issues for projects presently under construction:

*Anneberg and Crescent garage traffic Operations - Relocated the barricades to open up more space for circulation.*

#### D: Out of the ordinary activities

Upcoming tasks for 2013:

- 1- Submit funding applications for the 2013 Metro Call for Project due by January 18, 2013. Staff will be re-applying for construction of mid-block crosswalks at Bedford, Camden and Roxbury within the Business Triangle.
- 2- Order over 40 new bus benches to replace the existing poor quality benches and add some new to the existing local and Rapid bus stops.
- 3- Order new delineators replacing damaged and lost units along the Sunset curve (Sunset and Greenway).
- 4- Order new striping buttons and reflectors for the intersection of Roxbury and Brighton Way.
- 5- Recruit a contractor for citywide striping and marking needs. Provide the inventory and prioritize the work to be completed. Conduct field checks and inspections. Work to begin in April following the rain season.
- 6- Review the design by the consultant for the mid-block crosswalk on Wilshire between Swall and Clark. Work with Civil Engineering Division for contracting and construction.
- 7- Recruit design consultant for construction of a new traffic signal at Canon/Clifton, mid-block crosswalk signal on Wilshire between Palm and Maple (replacing the existing marked crosswalk) pending Council approval of the CIP budget.
- 8- Assist in implementation of City's first bike route on Burton Way and Crescent.
- 9- Assist in implementation of Crescent Drive bollards placement project, Rexford and Civic Center Garage intersection re-alignment and gateway (CIP) west improvements by Dohney and N. Santa Monica.
- 10- Assist in Development of design process for improvements of N. Santa Monica
- 11- And many more tasks that will surface during 2013.