

**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**

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

**MINUTES**

**TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION MEETING**

February 7, 2013

9:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL – 9:00 AM\***

PRESENT: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LEVINE, LICHT

ABSENT: GRUSHCOW

**STUDY SESSION**

**1. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Lieutenant Songer of the California Highway Patrol presented the BHPD (Captain Lee) with the California Law Enforcement Challenge Award.

Lt. Shan Davis provided an informational update.

**2. COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT**

**Mayor's Cabinet Meeting – December 11, 2012**

Chair STEINBERG provided Minutes of the meeting.

**3. PARKING SERVICES QUARTERLY REPORT**

Russell Platamone, Parking Services Manager, provided an overview of the report.

Chad Lynn, Director of Parking Services, apprised the Commission that City Council directed staff to move forward with pursuing a franchise agreement for taxi services.

Commissioner LEVINE requested future updates regarding Disabled Placard sting operations.

Commissioner FRIEDMAN requested the Halloween survey be given to David Greene, Executive Assistant, for review and comparison to Halloween of 2013's report.

Mr. Levine, Vice Chair Licht and Mr. Lynn provided an update of their meeting with DMV representatives.

#### **4. 2013 WORK PLAN**

Aaron Kunz, Deputy Director of Transportation, provided an overview of the revised 2013 work plan.

The Commission agreed to continue this item to the Commission meeting on March 7, 2013.

#### **5. STATUS REPORT**

- a. Correspondence**
- b. Traffic and Parking Commission Project Matrix**

Commissioner LEVINE asked for further explanation of the improvement signing and striping of the Spalding / Moreno intersection. Mr. Kunz explained staff is evaluating options including: a line bar at the Yield sign, moving or removing the crosswalk, and additional signage.

Commissioner LEVINE also asked about the request to evaluate the crosswalk between Peck and Bedford (At Saks Fifth Avenue). Mr. Kunz responded that staff is evaluating a flashing red pedestrian light at the location.

Commissioner FRIEDMAN inquired the status of replacing the Sunset Boulevard delineators. Mr. Kunz advised that staff has ordered the delineators and they will be scheduled for installation in the coming weeks.

Commissioner FRIEDMAN also asked that the delineators on Olympic Boulevard, just east of Beverly Drive, be inspected for possible damage. He also wanted to note that the cement islands on La Cienega Boulevard, between La Cienega Park and the Tennis Center, require aesthetic improvements.

Commissioner STEINBERG asked if flashing yellow lights may be installed in-pavement at crosswalk locations that have overhead flashing red lights. Mr. Kunz explained the California Vehicle Code does not allow for both sets of flashing lights, only one or the other.

#### **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS (ORAL)**

No comments presented.

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Dave Sheldon discussed his Disabled Placard abuse experiences in the City.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

**1. CONSIDERATION OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO MODIFY PREFERENTIAL PARKING ZONE “K” ON THE 300 BLOCK OF SOUTH SWALL DRIVE TO INCLUDE THE WEST SIDE OF THE BLOCK WITH A REGULATION OF “ONE-HOUR PARKING, 9 A.M. TO 6 P.M., MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, PERMIT ‘K’ EXEMPT”**

- Responds to resident-initiated petition to establish a regulation of “No Parking, 9 A.M. to 6 P.M., Monday through Saturday, Permit ‘K’ Exempt”

Commissioner LEVINE recused himself as his residence is within 500 feet of the 300 block of South Swall Drive.

Martha Eros, Transportation Planner, provided an overview of the staff report.

Lead Petitioner, Andrea Grossman, supported staff’s recommendation.

JoAnn Willette supported staff’s recommendation.

Alex Tofer opposed staff’s recommendation.

Greg Weisstein opposed staff’s recommendation.

Joseph Lavi opposed staff’s recommendation.

David Lavi opposed staff’s recommendation.

Arie Ebrahimian opposed staff’s recommendation.

Emanuel Gottlieb opposed staff’s recommendation.

Motion by FRIEDMAN, seconded by STEINBERG

3/0 To approve staff’s recommendation to modify preferential parking zone “K” on the 300 block of South Swall Drive to include the west side of the block with a regulation of “One-Hour Parking, 9 A.M. to 6 P.M., Monday through Saturday, Permit ‘K’ Exempt”.

AYES: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LICHT

NOES: None

ABSENT: GRUSHCOW

ABSTAIN: None

RECUSED: LEVINE

CARRIED

## 2. CONSIDERATION OF THE JANUARY 10, 2013 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Motion by FRIEDMAN, seconded by STEINBERG

4/0 To approve the January 10, 2013 special meeting minutes.

AYES: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LEVINE, LIGHT  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: GRUSHCOW  
ABSTAIN: None  
CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT: 11:15 AM\***

**\*TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE**

Approved and adopted  
this 7th day of March 2013

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Alan Grushcow  
Chair