



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

Meeting of September 1, 2016

**TO:** Traffic & Parking Commission  
**FROM:** Aaron Kunz, Deputy Director of Transportation  
**SUBJECT:** Santa Monica Boulevard Reconstruction Project

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At the July 19, 2016 City Council Study Session, staff outlined steps to move forward with the Santa Monica Boulevard Reconstruction Project, including recommendations for a construction schedule, phasing plan, and traffic control/traffic mitigation measures to the Traffic & Parking Commission and Public Works Commission. The City Council also directed staff to conduct public outreach to obtain community input. Attachment A includes outreach material sent to the community.

Staff provided a presentation to the Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee on August 18, 2016. The power point presentation can be viewed at: <http://beverlyhills.org/living/constructionprojects/santamonicablvdproject/>. Two community meetings will be held on August 31, 2016: a business-focused meeting will be held from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m., and a resident-focused meeting will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Commissioners are encouraged to attend one or both of the August 31, 2016 meetings. The Project Team will provide an overview of these meetings at the September 1, 2016 Traffic & Parking Commission. Staff requests Commission input on the items included in these presentations (above link) for inclusion in a City Council Agenda Report tentatively planned for September 20, 2016.

# **ATTACHMENT A**



# MOVING TOWARDS THE FUTURE

## Community Meetings on the N. Santa Monica Boulevard Reconstruction Project

*Enhancements are in the works* and we want you to know about them! Join us to learn about the N. Santa Monica Boulevard Reconstruction Project and how the work will affect our community. Come hear about:

- Construction Sequence
- Traffic Routing
- Electronic Information Boards
- Construction Hours
- Business Access

### **Business Focused Meeting**

Wednesday, August 31, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
 Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce (Boardroom)  
 9400 S. Santa Monica Blvd., 2nd Floor  
 Free two-hour parking at the Beverly-Cañon City structure

### **Resident Focused Meeting**

Wednesday, August 31, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
 City Hall (Municipal Gallery)  
 455 N. Rexford Drive  
 Free two-hour parking at the Rexford City structure (adjacent to the Library)

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N. Santa Monica Boulevard Reconstruction Project



## MOVING TOWARDS THE FUTURE

### N. SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

On most weekday mornings, North Santa Monica Boulevard (NSMB) traffic volume can climb as high as 30,000 automobiles. While later, at peak traffic periods, the volume almost doubles to between 50,000 and 60,000 vehicles throughout the day. Previously belonging to the State as a part of Route 66, NSMB became the City's responsibility in 2002. Many local residences, our businesses, the greater metro shopping community and commuters depend upon this vital transportation corridor.

**However, the roadway is deteriorating and requires extensive repair to function properly.**

With the community in mind, comprehensive traffic studies were conducted to better understand the traffic patterns, especially during peak hours. The collected data is helping the City develop a reconstruction plan, with a focus on reducing the impact to the community. Currently, a detailed traffic control plan and a multi-phased approach is being finalized so that specifics will be available to everyone as we begin construction in the Fall 2016.

The City Council, along with the Traffic and Parking Commission, are finalizing a traffic mitigation plan to reduce impacts to residential neighborhoods and maintain public access to City businesses.

#### The NSMB Reconstruction Project will:

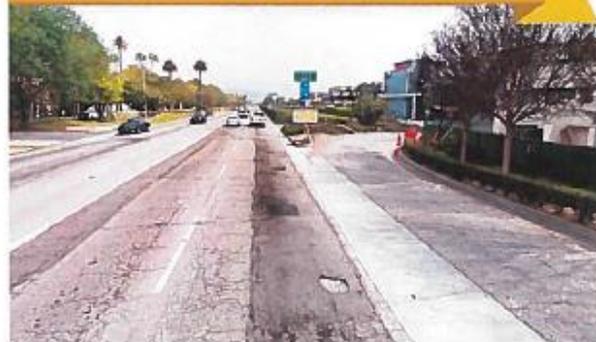
- Rebuild the roadway with a rubberized asphalt surface to provide a smoother, quieter and safer ride
- Upgrade the drainage system
- Create new curbs and gutters
- Widen the south side between Canon Drive and Wilshire Boulevard
- Install a standardized street-lighting system along the north side
- Install ADA compliant access upgrades
- Replace sidewalks
- Construct low impact drainage landscaping (grass swales) that comply with the urban water quality regulations
- Landscape the south side of the boulevard

Keeping the public safe and informed are top priorities of the project. First and foremost, emergency access will NOT be reduced during construction. Noise impacts will be minimized by best construction practices and strict dust control measures will be implemented to maintain air quality.

Outreach plans include public meetings, distribution of informational brochures, flyers and announcements in local newspapers and on social media sites. Changeable message boards will be displayed in numerous locations to better inform motorists of work areas and lane closures.

A project helpline has been initiated and an informational kiosk will be available to familiarize residents with the project. Updates to the City's website will include construction schedules, detours and images of the project.

Join our mailing list to receive project updates!  
[www.beverlyhills.org/future](http://www.beverlyhills.org/future)



Reconstruction of 1.5 miles of North Santa Monica Boulevard will enhance users' commute and provide a smoother, quieter, and safer ride for everyone.

#### Questions?

The City of Beverly Hills offers additional information and resources. There are several ways to stay in touch:

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