MINUTES TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD MAY 16, 2012 7:00 P.M.

WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL, 8300 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7.05 p.m. by Chair Wayland.

- Α. Pledge of Allegiance Kevin Burton led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. Reminder to Speak Clearly Into Microphone and to Turn Off All Cellular Phones and Pagers

The Commissioners and public were reminded to speak clearly into their microphones to accommodate the public record tapes and the hearing-impaired.

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C. Roll Call

Commissioners present:

David Eichman, Steven Greene, Lindsey Horvath, Scott Schmidt, David Warren, Steve Wayland

Commissioners absent:

Leon Shparaga

Staff present:

Anne McIntosh, Director of Community Development Department Melissa Antol, Long Range and Mobility Planning Manager Michael Barney, Assistant Planner Danny Casillas, Administrative Specialist III

D. Approval of the Agenda of May 16, 2012, Transportation Commission meeting. Motion: Eichman Second: Warren

All ayes.

Motion passed.

E. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Approve minutes, Commission meeting of March 21, 2012

with the following correction;

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Moved: Warren

Second: Eichman

All Aye:

Motion passed.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

No items.

III. ITEMS FROM PUBLIC

No items.

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

No item.

V. COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

A. Update: Amendment To The Zoning Ordinance Regarding the Standards For Bicycle Parking

Staff report from Michael Barney

Commissioner Eichman asked for an explanation of storage requirements.

Michael Barney explained.

Commissioner Eichman asked about storage requirements concerning multi-unit structures.

Michael Barney explained that they would have the same requirements, utilizing existing storage.

Matt Baume, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke IN FAVOR of Staff report recommendations.

Kevin Burton WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke IN FAVOR of Staff report recommendations.

Commissioner Schmidt commented that he preferred the design standard used, despite the displeasure voiced by the public.

Michael Barney said that there would be further discussion at the Council level.

Commissioner Schmidt asked if there is a reason for an in-lieu-fee instead of a bike parking credit program.

Michael Barney replied that an in-lieu-fee would better allow the City to build and establish bike parking.

Commissioner Greene asked if staff could add language that clarifies that a bike must be able to fit within the dimensions of the required storage space.

Michael Barney said that the current language should be sufficient direction for planners.

Commissioner Warren asked if there is a requirement for temporary or short-term parking for multi-family residences.

Michael Barney said that there is not and that they would pay an inlieu-fee.

Commissioner Warren said that the language could be confusing.

Melissa Antol explained that some of the language is designed to allow flexibility.

Commissioner Wayland stated that he is concerned with function as well as style. He added that he supports the in-lieu-fee, but wouldn't want it to become an easy way to avoid providing bike parking. He asked what "Flexibility for Director" means.

Michael Barney explained that it is provided to help the Director address any unforeseen events.

Commissioner Wayland expressed disappointment with the storage area requirements, as it shouldn't be a choice between bike storage and exterior storage for personal items.

Commissioner Horvath stated that she is pleased to see urban design issues addressed, but standards should not interfere with functionality.

Commissioner Schmidt commented that it is good not to impact housing affordability.

VI. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. New Cityline Route

Presentation from Perri Sloane-Goodman

Commissioner Eichman said he is interested to hear what the Senior and Disabled Advisory Boards have to say on the matter, since there seems to be a keen reliance on staff for stops and routes. He added that he prefers a single map with two routes.

Commissioner Schmidt stated that he prefers separate maps.

Commissioner Horvath asked if West Knoll is wide enough to accommodate the vans.

Perri Sloane-Goodman replied that it is and that Huntley is too narrow.

Commissioner Horvath asked if the stops are recognizable as such. She added that seeing the maps over each other is helpful, but the conflicting arrows could be confusing. Also, the print could be larger and more legible.

Commissioner Warren asked if traffic control devices are a hindrance.

Perri Sloane-Goodman pointed out that the devices are designed for fire trucks to fit, so the vans should have no problem.

Commissioner Warren asked if the loop on Westmount could be avoided by continuing on to Westbourne.

Perri Sloane-Goodman explained that the stop prior to Westbourne is needed for access to Trader Joe's and traffic design makes it impossible to avoid the Westmount loop beyond that.

Commissioner Wayland stated that he couldn't decide on two maps vs. one, as it depends on size and clarity.

Commissioner Horvath suggested having destination placards match map colors in colors that are also appropriate for the color blind.

Commissioner Schmidt suggested contacting Google Maps regarding route information.

- VIII. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: Items removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion are considered at this time.
- IX. LIAISON REPORT

No report.

X. ITEMS FROM STAFF

McIntosh

Goodbye

Antol

- BTF Implementation Update
- Sharrows
- Bikeshare Program Presentation
- Notes from the Public Safety Commission
- Bike To Work Day

XI. ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

Horvath

- Interest in Bikeshare
- Monitoring bikes on sidewalk during Bike To Work Day
- Light Rail in Israel

Greene

L.A. paved their half of Willoughby

Schmidt

- Budget prior to Council
- Items at Council bypassing Commission

Eichman

- Pedestrians Count summary
- Cross-walk in Germany
- Beverly Hills parking regarding bike routes
- Can one be cited for riding against traffic in bike lane?
- Uniformity of parking restrictions on Cynthia

Warren

- Crosswalk beacons
- Utilizing Bike and Pedestrian Subcommittee members more

Wayland

- Anticipating Sharrows
- Bike Sharing in New York City

XII. ITEMS FROM PUBLIC

Kevin Burton, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on Bicycle/pedestrian issues and on the bolts for the bike racks as a theft issue.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Action: The Transportation Commission adjourned at 8:50 p.m. until the next meeting on June 20, 2012, 7:00 p.m., at West Hollywood City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA. 90069

Moved: Schmidt

Second: Eichman

All ayes.

Motion passed.

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THIS 20TH DAY OF JUNE 2012.

Chair

ATTEST:

Staff-Liaison