

**MINUTES  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
APRIL 16, 2014  
7:00 P.M.**

**PLUMMER PARK COMMUNITY CENTER,  
7377 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD, ROOMS 5 AND 6,  
WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA 90069**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Vice Chair Eichman.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance  
Commissioner Greene 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.

C. Roll Call

Commissioners present:  
Misti Cooper, David Eichman, Amy Walia-Fazio, Steven Greene,  
David Warren

Commissioners absent: .  
Lindsey Horvath, Steve Wayland

Staff present:  
Melissa Antol, Long Range and Mobility Planning Manager  
Jackie Rocco, Parking Operations Manager  
Don Norte, Parking Services Officer  
Walter Davis, Neighborhood Traffic Management Program  
Specialist  
Bob Cheung, Senior Transportation Planner  
Danny Casillas, Administrative Specialist III

D. Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Approve the agenda of April 16, 2014, Transportation Commission meeting and adjourn in the memory of Ric Rickles

Moved: Greene      Second: Cooper  
All ayes.

Motion passed.

E. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Approve minutes, Commission meeting of March 19, 2014 with the following correction:

*Page 1; Correct Donald Elmblad's name*

Moved: Greene      Second: Warren  
All ayes

Motion passed.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

No items.

3. ITEMS FROM PUBLIC

No items.

4. PUBLIC HEARING

No item

5. COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

A. Pilot Residential On-Street Compact Parking Space Program

Staff report by Walter Davis

Commissioner Cooper asked if an SUV is considered a standard size vehicle.

Walter Davis said that it would fit in a standard size space.

Commissioner Cooper stated her main concern is that parking space not be taken away.

Walter Davis clarified the program and stressed that reclamation of parking is the goal.

Commissioner Walia-Fazio confirmed that red curbs would not be removed where there is a safety issue. She asked how larger vehicles would be prevented from parking in smaller spaces.

Walter Davis said that that would be determined as the pilot program continues.

Commissioner Walia-Fazio asked if there are currently any markings designating the smaller spaces.

Walter Davis said that there are not.

Commissioner Walia-Fazio asked how residents will know to request the smaller spaces.

Walter Davis said that it would be done on a case by case basis.

Commissioner Greene asked how many spaces would be reclaimed.

Walter Davis said that staff does not know, but he has seen places where they would be appropriate.

Melissa Antol clarified that, currently, substandard sized spaces are automatically painted red as the City becomes aware of them.

Commissioner Greene asked if residents may request a subcompact space only in front of their property.

Walter Davis said yes.

Commissioner Greene asked what the case is if a tenant requests a space.

Walter said that the request must be made by the property owner or manager and condo owners must get permission from their homeowners association.

Commissioner Greene expressed that he felt that it is not right, as curbing is public right of way. He said that staff needed to work through enforcement and eligibility to request.

Commissioner Warren confirmed the use of red tips and asked if staff had tried stepping up enforcement before installation of the red tips.

Walter Davis said that staff has stepped up enforcement, but cars parking into driveways is an on-going problem.

Commissioner Warren stated that he shares Commissioner Greene's concern for eligibility to request the subcompact spaces.

Walter Davis explained that it is not usually an issue, since residents typically go through the property manager or owner.

Commissioner Warren said it sounds like a complicated solution for a basic problem. He added that he felt property owners should not be allowed to subtract parking from the supply. He asked if regulations could be changed to make a legal space 16 feet.

Melissa Antol explained the strategy of creating the space to salvage spaces that are less than 20 feet.

Commissioner Warren asked if administrative regulations could be changed to make any space that is 16 feet a legal space.

Walter Davis said that it would be possible to do so, but it wouldn't prevent those who park into the driveway from doing so, because it appears to be a standard space.

Commissioner Greene explained the psychology of labeling a space "compact".

Commissioner Eichman remarked that adding a "Car will be towed sign" would drive the point home.

Commissioner Walia-Fazio agreed with Commissioner Warren and doesn't think that it would change behavior. She asked if \$500 a space is standard cost.

Walter Davis said that it is not exact, but there are very few spaces that would meet the criteria.

Commissioner Eichman asked if staff could determine a ratio of residents with large cars versus those with small cars.

Melissa Antol said that it would take a very large amount of staff time to determine that. Even so, the data wouldn't necessarily reflect the usage of on-street versus off-street parking in connection with the car size.

Commissioner Greene replied that he doesn't believe red tipping or curbing should be governed by the property owner. He recommended a creation of a process that would allow any resident to request parking space determinations in their neighborhood.

Walter Davis replied that is an idea that staff has been considering as part of the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program.

Commissioner Warren stated that he doesn't think there needs to be an involved process in putting up a sign to mark a subcompact space, but understands the issues with reclaiming a space that has been red-curbed. He suggested not introducing the signage as a pilot, change the rules as needed and add the new signs to the portfolio.

Walter Davis expressed trepidation for entering a new territory for parking regulations and explained that a pilot program allows staff to refine the policy before making it permanent.

Commissioner Greene stressed that he does not like setting the precedence of letting property owners determine the striping of the Public Right of Way.

Motion: Recommend to the City Council the approval of a pilot residential on-street compact parking space program in which any city resident can request parking space evaluation and any changes would be noticed to the neighborhood prior to implementation.

Moved: Cooper      Second: Fazio  
All ayes.

Motion passed.

## B. Amendment To Parking Code To Track On-Street And Off-Street Meter Citations

Staff report by Don Norte

Motion: Recommend that the City Council introduce for first reading, Ordinance No. 14-\_\_\_\_\_ "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING CHAPTER 10.07 SECTION 10.07.320 OF THE PARKING CODE AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE".

Moved: Greene      Second: Warren  
All ayes.

Motion passed.

6. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Amendment To Preferential Parking District 5 Parking Regulations On Hammond Street

Commissioner Walia-Fazio asked for the origination of the request for the parking regulations.

Don Norte explained.

Commissioner Walia-Fazio commented that it seems that parents have to park far away from the school, making the children have to walk blocks away to be picked up.

Jackie Rocco replied that it is an ongoing challenge to balance parking with all the needs of the residents, visitors, school employees and the surrounding area.

Commissioner Cooper stated that she would like to have two hour parking regulations on Larrabee.

Don Norte replied that any resident may request it.

Commissioner Greene reminded the Commission that the item is the conclusion of a pilot program and nothing would change that hasn't been going on for 2 years.

Gil Even, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke AGAINST staff recommendations.

Commissioner Walia-Fazio stated that she wants the school involved in the process.

Jackie Rocco replied that the school has been involved in the pilot.

Commissioner Walia-Fazio said that there seems to still be issues.

Jackie Rocco replied that those are enforcement issues.

Motion: Recommend the Transportation Commission propose that the City Council:

- 1) Conclude the daytime pilot program and
- 2) Adopt legislation to amend the municipal code to implement a two hour time limit from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday-Friday on the west side of Hammond Street between Sunset Boulevard and Phyllis Avenue, with an exemption for vehicles displaying a District 5 parking pass.

Moved: Warren      Second: Greene  
Ayes: Cooper, Eichman, Greene, Warren  
Nays: Walia-Fazio,  
Abstentions: None  
Motion passed.

8. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: Items removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion are considered at this time.

9. ITEMS FROM STAFF

A. Autonomous Vehicle Presentation

B. Mobility Workshop Training Key Issues

Cooper

- Increase traffic rate from point A to B.

Greene

- Address conflict in issues of speeding traffic versus making safer for pedestrians.

Warren

- Distribute materials in advance
- Clarify the trade offs

Walia-Fazio

- Determine which goals of the General Plan to consider

Eichman

- Discuss car-sharing programs

C. May Meeting Schedule

D. Field Trip details.

E. Design District Update

F. Budget Fair Materials

10. ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

Greene

- No June meeting
- Santa Monica Boulevard/La Brea sidewalk closure and bus stop issues

Eichman

- Bandit cab

11. ITEMS FROM PUBLIC

No items

12. ADJOURNMENT

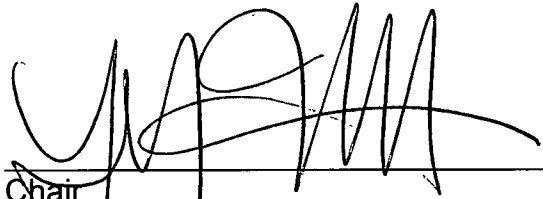
Action: The Transportation Commission adjourned at 9: 20 p.m. in the memory of Ric Rickles until the next meeting on May 17, 2014, a.m., Plummer Park Community Center,



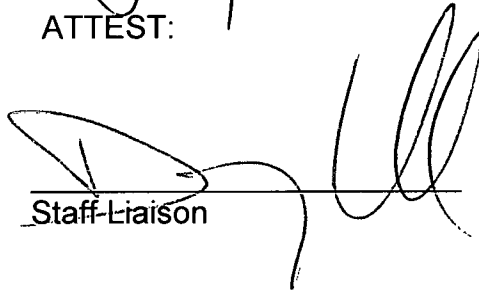
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Moved: Greene      Second: Warren  
All ayes.  
Motion passed.

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THIS  
17TH DAY OF MAY 2014.

  
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Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Staff-Liaison