MINUTES TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2010 WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL, 8300 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD

I CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Schmidt.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
 Donald Elmblad 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: Steven Greene, Kathryn Page, Brian Pendleton, Scott Schmidt, Steve Wayland

Commissioners absent: David Eichman, Luis Marquez

Staff present:

Terri Slimmer, Transportation & Transit Manager Andrew Campbell, Cultural Affairs Administrator Danny Casillas, Administrative Specialist III

D. Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Approve the Agenda of March 17, 2010, Transportation

Commission meeting.

Moved: Greene Second: Wayland

All ayes.

Motion passed.

E. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Approve minutes, Commission meeting of February 17,

2010.

Moved: Wayland Second: Greene

Ayes: Steven Greene, Scott Schmidt, Steve Wayland

Abstentions: Kathryn Page, Brian Pendleton

Motion passed.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

No items.

III. ITEMS FROM PUBLIC

Donald Elmblad, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about red-bagging parking meters on Santa Monica Blvd.

Irwin Chodash, WEST HOLLYWOOD, introduced himself to the Commission.

Thomas Kies, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about bike routes in West Hollywood

Randall Derrick, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about cul-de-sacs in West Hollywood and parking enforcement around Club Voyeur.

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

No item

V. COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

A. Poetry Traffic Sign Project

Staff report from Andrew Campbell.

Commissioner Schmidt pointed out his problem was with the particular location of one art sign.

Commissioner Wayland asked how it pertained to the Transportation Commission and how anyone has been affected by the art sign.

Commissioner Schmidt said no one has been affected, per se, but the owner of East/West mentioned the sign and its placement.

Commissioner Wayland said that he appreciated the project.

Commissioner Schmidt asked if there had been any outreach to the businesses prior to the project.

Andrew Campbell said that there had not been, but there would be for future projects.

Commissioner Greene said that he appreciated the project.

Motion: Receive and File.

Moved: Greene Second: Pendleton

All ayes.

Motion passed.

B. City Council Crosswalk Policy Follow-Up

Staff report from Terri Slimmer

Commissioner Pendleton stated that he doesn't care for any of the options and feels that pedestrians should be more attentive.

Commissioner Wayland commented that most of the trees in question are relatively young and should survive relocation. He stated that the recommendation is appropriate.

Commissioner Greene stated that the number of tree and medians is unusual and there are other good reasons to move them. He added that, perhaps, the City should be looking to relocate landscaping in a way that complements the new library. He added that flagpole removal should be reconsidered.

Terri Slimmer replied that staff will provide guidance for placement of the relocated landscaping.

Commissioner Schmidt asked if there has been a safe distance for landscaping established.

Terri Slimmer said that there has not, as it is considered on a case by case basis.

Commissioner Greene suggested problems may have more to do with drivers, their rate of speed and distance from the crosswalk.

Commissioner Schmidt said that he would like to keep as many trees as possible.

Commissioner Pendleton commented that he worried the trees on the sidewalk would become an issue next.

Terri Slimmer explained the difference between tree placement on the sidewalk and placement in the middle of the street.

Commissioner Wayland reminded the Commission of the reaction to the loss of trees during the Santa Monica Boulevard reconstruction.

Motion: Support Joint Subcommittee recommendation on the removal/relocation of landscape and/or signage, including flag poles at the 7 locations presented and to work with the Public Facilities to beautify the affected areas.

Moved: Greene Second: Wayland

Ayes: Greene, Page, Wayland Nays: Pendleton, Schmidt

Abstentions: None Motion passed.

VI. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Taxi and Transit- No report.
- B. Traffic Circulation & Access No report.
- C. Parking No report.
- D. Pedestrian and Bike No report.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

No items.

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

IX. COMMISSION CHAIR'S REPORT

No report.

X. LIAISON REPORT

No report.

XI. ITEMS FROM STAFF

XII. ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

Pendleton

• Bike lanes

Greene

- Red-bagging meters
- Signs concerning bikes on streets
- Shared Bike Program
- Cul-de-sacs

Wayland

• Information for Thomas Kies

Schmidt

• Red-bagging meters

XIII. ITEMS FROM PUBLIC

No items.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Action: The Transportation Commission adjourned at 8:23 p.m. until the next meeting on April 21, 2010, 7:00 p.m., at West Hollywood City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA. 90069

Moved: Greene

Second: Pendleton

All ayes.

Motion passed.

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THIS 21ST DAY OF APRIL 2010.

Chair

ATTEST:

Staff Liaison

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