

**TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MAY 20, 2020
6:30 P.M.**

TELECONFERENCE MEETING

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Bowen called the meeting to order at 6:32.
 - A. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Chair Bowen led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - C. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Alexander Bazley, Christopher Bowen, Misti Cooper, David Eichman, Tracy Steinkruger, David Warren, Dan Wentzel

Absent: None

Also Present:
Bob Cheung, Senior Transportation Planner
Robyn Eason, Acting Long Range Planning Manager
John Keho, Interim Director of Planning & Development Services
Department
Richard Garland, Principal Traffic Engineer
Danny Casillas, Administrative Specialist III
 - D. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

SUBJECT: The Transportation Commission is requested to approve the Agenda and adjourn in memory of the residents of West Hollywood who have died of Covid-19

ACTION: Motion by Eichman to approve the May 20, 2020 Agenda, seconded by Wentzel

Aye: Bazley, Bowen, Cooper, Eichman, Warren, Wentzel
Abstain: Steinkruger
Motion passes
 - E. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

SUBJECT: The Transportation Commission is requested to approve the minutes of prior Transportation Commission meeting.

ACTION: Approve the minutes of February 19, 2020. Motion by Warren, seconded by Cooper and approved.

Aye: Bazley, Bowen, Cooper, Eichman, Warren, Wentzel
Abstain: Steinkruger
Motion passes

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
No Public Comment

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
No item

4. NEW BUSINESS:
A. Implementation of Slow-Streets Program During Stay At Home Period

Staff report from Bob Cheung and Richard Garland

The Commission commented that Staff should consider expanding the program to include Rosewood, Norton and Romaine.

Bob Cheung replied that Staff will monitor the 5 selected streets and will consider expanding the program if it proves to be successful and popular.

The Commission felt that the selected streets are short and that the City should consider longer routes such as Fountain and Willoughby.

Bob Cheung explained that Fountain may not be feasible as it will require much more planning, effort, resources and will take much longer to implement, while Willoughby is an active and on-going project. He said Staff will return for specific recommendations in an upcoming meeting.

The Commission said the City should consider allowing residents to petition for streets to be included in the program.

The Commission expressed concern for the ability to monitor cut-through traffic that do not adhere to the restrictions.

Bob Cheung said the program aims at discouraging cut through traffic with the use of signage. He added that the City will not be actively enforcing this through posting of officers/personnel or citations.

The Commission said that City should consider accelerating the opening of parks as well. They also expressed concerns for large public gatherings on those streets, safety and liability.

Bob Cheung assured that Staff will look into monitoring such behaviors.

The Commission asked about outreach to residents.

Bob Cheung replied Staff is preparing an outreach plan including flyers to residents, social media, City website and other outreach channels.

John Erickson, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke IN FAVOR of the project.

Adam Kroll, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke IN FAVOR of the project.
Jesi Harris, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke IN FAVOR of the project.

5. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:
No reports

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
No Item

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF:
Cheung

- Regular Transportation Commission Meetings Resuming

8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS:
Steinkruger

- Pilot Programs for outdoor dining/sales
- Affect of outdoor dining/sales on pedestrian traffic
- Congratulations to Mayor Horvath and Mayor Pro-Tempore Heilman

Wentzel

- Westside COG Mobility Plan
- Taped off areas for social distancing on public transit
- Better busses for Los Angeles
- Possibility of widening sidewalks on Fountain during Safer At Home Orders

Cooper

- Sunset Parklet removal
- Continuing work from home after Safer At Home Orders

Warren

- End of Photo Enforcement Program
- Transportation Item on City Council Agendas
- Easier acquisition of Daytime Parking Restrictions for neighborhoods

Eichman

- End of Photo Enforcement Program

Bazley

- Thanks to City for facilitating special curbside and sidewalk usage

Bowen

- Greater opportunity for public interaction through teleconferenced meetings
- Continuing to improve the public's ability to move throughout the city safely

9. PUBLIC COMMENT:
No Comments

- 10. ADJOURNMENT:** The **Transportation Commission** adjourned at **8:03 PM** in memory of the residents of West Hollywood who have died of Covid-19 to a regularly scheduled teleconference meeting on **June 17, 2020** beginning at **6:30 PM**

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THIS 17TH DAY OF JUNE 2020.

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Chris Bowen

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Chair

ATTEST:

Staff Liaison

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