

**TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 17, 2021
6:30 P.M.**

TELECONFERENCE MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Chair Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Alexander Bazley, Christopher Bowen, Alexander Gurfinkel, Adam Kroll, David Warren, Dan Wentzel, Anne-Marie Williams

Absent:

Also Present:

Bob Cheung, Senior Transportation Planner,
David Fenn, AICP, Associate Planner
Richard Garland, Principal Traffic Engineer
Francisco Gomez, Transportation Program Administrator
Vince Guarino, Parking Manager
Laurie Yelton, Associate Planner
Danny Casillas, Administrative Specialist III
Julia Brown, Senior Manager, Community Relations at Los Angeles Metro
Josh Francis, Arellano Associates
James Shahamiri, Senior Engineering Manager at Los Angeles Metro
Stephen Tu, Director of Service Planning at Los Angeles Metro
Miguel Nunez, Fehr & Peers

D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

SUBJECT: The Transportation Commission is requested to approve the Agenda.

ACTION: Motion by Warren to approve the November 17, 2021 Agenda, seconded by Bazley and approved.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

ACTION: Approve the minutes of October 20, 2021 Motion by Warren, seconded by Gurfinkel and approved.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT :

Robert Oliver, WEST HOLLYWOOD, introduced himself as member of the Public Safety Commission, speaking as a resident and observing the Transportation Commission meeting.

**3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
No item**

4. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Metro La Brea Avenue Bus Priority Lanes Project

The Commission received a report from David Fenn, AICP, Associate Planner and Los Angeles Metro representatives; Julia Brown, Senior Manager, Community Relations, James Shahamiri, Senior Engineering Manager and Josh Francis, Arellano Associates.

The Commission asked how this project would expand ridership.

The Commission expressed concern for safety issues with part time parking lanes and suggested BMT lanes be assigned 24 hours a day.

Karen O’Keefe, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in favor of Staff recommendations.

ACTION: Recommend that the City Council direct staff to explore the viability of a bus-priority lane enforcement partnership with Metro.

Motion: Wentzel 2nd: Bowen

Aye: Bazley, Bowen, Gurfinkel, Kroll, Wentzel, Williams

No: Warren

B. 8555 Santa Monica Boulevard Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report Public Comment Period

The Commission received a report from Laurie Yelton, Associate Planner and Miguel Nunez, Fehr & Peers

Karen O’Keefe, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in favor of the project

Amy, WEST HOLLYWOOD, expressed concerns with traffic and parking

Robert Oliver, WEST HOLLYWOOD, expressed concerns with traffic and stated that there should be better bike lanes.

The Commission suggested putting Metro stops and Ride Share points on the map with the project.

The Commission asked if Ride Share pick up and drop off points were

incorporated in the design of the project and asked about current Ride Share pick up and drop off points.

Bob Cheung explained the current policies of Ride Share pick up and drop off points in the City.

The Commission commended staff on a good analysis and thanked the Public for their participation and comments.

The Commission supported housing units being built in the city.

The Commission stressed the fine line of accommodating the needs of current residents, while making room for new residents.

5. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

No reports

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

No Items

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

A. Division Workplans

Bob Cheung, Richard Garland, Principal Traffic Engineer, Francisco Gomez, Transportation Program Administrator and Vince Guarino, Parking Manager reviewed upcoming projects in their respective divisions.

8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

Kroll

- Requested updated schedule for the Pick-Up Line be posted

Bazley

- CicLAvia on December 5, 2021
- Happy Thanksgiving

Wentzel

- Traffic issues at Fountain Avenue and Havenhurst Drive
- Thanks to Commission, Staff and the Public

Williams

- Thanks to all

9. PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comments

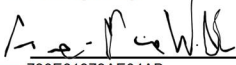
10. ADJOURNMENT: The **Transportation Commission** adjourned at **8:19 PM** to a regularly scheduled meeting on **December 15, 2021** beginning at **6:30 PM via teleconference**

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THIS 19TH DAY OF JANUARY 2022.

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DRAFT MINUTES

November 17, 2021

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Chair

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Staff Liaison