

**MINUTES  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
OCTOBER 19, 2016  
7:00 P.M.**

**COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ROOM  
WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL  
8300 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD  
WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by William Doebler.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance  
David Eichman 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:  
Richard Bernard, Misti Cooper, William Doebler, David Eichman,  
Evan Richter, David Warren, Dan Wentzel

Commissioners absent:  
None

Staff present:  
Bob Cheung, Senior Transportation Planner  
Sharon Perlstein, City Engineer  
Danny Casillas, Administrative Specialist III

- D. Approval of the Agenda of October 19, 2016, Transportation Commission meeting.  
Motion: Warren      Second: Eichman  
All ayes.

Motion passed.

E. Approval of Minutes with the following corrections;

*Page 3: Change the wording of Commissioner Wentzel's question about needing extra space.*

*Page 5: Specify 2 hour training program*

*Page 5: Change "alternative for" to "alternative to"*

*Page 7: Add "asked" to Wentzel's question.*

*Page 7: Change "Crescent Heights Boulevard" to "Havenhurst Drive" in second part of the motion.*

Motion: Approve minutes, Commission meeting of September 21, 2016 as amended

Moved: Eichman      Second: Warren  
Aye: All

Abstain: Misti Cooper  
Motion passed.

2. ITEMS FROM PUBLIC

No item

3. PUBLIC HEARING

No item

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. SPEED LIMITS ON STREETS IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD

Staff report by Sharon Perlstein

Commissioner Bernard asked if the criteria were different for Vista Street five years ago and why it is different now.

Sharon Perlstein explained that the criteria didn't change, and explained how there is a need to work with the City of Los Angeles, which shares the street.

Commissioner Bernard asked if potential bike lanes affect the way speed limits are set.

Sharon Perlstein said bike lanes are considered along with other issues.

Commissioner Bernard asked if a drop in speed limit has been considered for Willoughby Street, specifically.

Sharon Perlstein explained why it probably would not drop below 25 Miles per hour and potential plans for the street.

Commissioner Warren asked what other applications the results of the study could be used for.

Sharon Perlstein said that staff is already using the information for other projects and listed some programs.

Commissioner Wentzel confirmed that the speeds are being studied to comply with the California Vehicle Code and expressed concerns, especially on Fountain Avenue. He asked what the next step is with the information.

Sharon Perlstein explained.

Commissioner Eichman presented a hypothetical situation regarding how much a speed limit can be changed beyond the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile.

Sharon Perlstein explained how much it can be changed and still be enforceable. She went on to discuss calming traffic versus changing state laws.

Commissioner Cooper asked about what would constitute a speed trap on Vista.

Sharon Perlstein explained what would have to be done to make changes compliant.

Commissioner Doebler asked how residents would be notified of a speed change.

Sharon Perlstein replied that there is no mandate that residents be notified, but staff would probably do a courtesy notification.

Kevin Burton, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke WITH CONCERNS about the staff report.

Commissioner Warren confirmed that staff is working with the City of Los Angeles. He asked if something were to come up, if there would be a necessity to wait a while for another study to be done.

Sharon Perlstein said studies could be done as necessary.

Motion: Support the Public Works Department's 2016 Traffic Speed Zone Survey recommendations for speed limits on streets, other than local streets, and recommend the City Council certify the document.

Moved: Warren      Second: Eichman  
All Ayes.  
Motion passed.

5. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No item

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Cheung

- November Meeting
- Annual Congress reminder

8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

Warren

- Recommended in-person ethics training.
- Sidewalks closed for long time during eastside construction.
- Traffic crossing double yellow line at turn pocket at Fairfax Avenue/Fountain Avenue
- Ignored stop sign in traffic circle at Larabee Street/Cynthia Street Traffic circle
- Bicycle accident at Santa Monica Boulevard/San Vicente Boulevard

Eichman

- Glow-in-the-dark Bike Lanes
- Bike Share Programs around the country

Cooper

- Great to be back
- Encouraged by Bike Share usage

Wentzel

- Entertainment shuttle on Sunset Boulevard
- Need for full safety study on Fountain Avenue
- Email regarding the automated garage
- Final Street Media Committee presentation
  - Kevin Burton, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about dirty bus shelters

Doebler

- Closed crosswalks and sidewalks at Fairfax
- Beverly Boulevard/San Vicente Boulevard popular Bike Share hub
- Bus stop design

Richter

- Lyft Presentation

9. ITEMS FROM PUBLIC

No item

10. ADJOURNMENT

Action: The Transportation Commission adjourned at 8:07 p.m. until the next meeting on November 16, 2016, 7:00 p.m., at West Hollywood City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA. 90069  
All ayes.


Motion passed.

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THIS 16TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2016.

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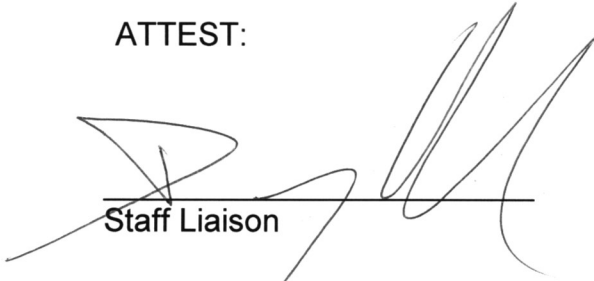
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Chair

ATTEST:



Staff Liaison

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