

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019  
6:00 P.M.**

**1. OPENING CEREMONIES**

a. Call Meeting to Order

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Traffic Commission was called to order by Vice-Chair Carmody at 6:02 p.m. on Wednesday, September 18, 2019, in the Lomita City Hall Council Chambers, 24300 Narbonne Avenue.

b. Flag Salute

None.

c. Roll Call

The following Commissioners responded to the roll call by Deputy City Clerk Abbott: Commissioners Ballard and Sloane, and Vice-Chair Carmody. Also present were Public Works Director Dillon, Management Analyst Hernandez, Sheriff's Deputy Despot, and L.A. County Traffic Engineer Guilmette.

**Present:** Commissioners: Ballard, Sloane, and Vice-Chair Carmody

**Absent:** Commissioners: Cozzolino and Chair Kurata

**2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Steve Ellis, a Lomita resident, stated his concerns regarding traffic near the intersection of 263<sup>rd</sup> Street and Western Avenue once work commences on a development project at that location.

Director Dillon stated that his concern was discussed at the last Technical Traffic Advisory Committee meeting. The request was submitted to Caltrans, as the location is in their jurisdiction. Caltrans said they reviewed the conditions and no changes are warranted at this time but they are willing to reconsider if conditions change.

### 3. CONSENT AGENDA

#### a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 17, 2019

Commissioner Sloane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ballard recommending the Commission approve the minutes.

**MOTION CARRIED** by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners: Ballard, Sloane, and Vice-Chair Carmody  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Commissioner Cozzolino and Chair Kurata  
RECUSE: None

### SCHEDULED MATTERS

#### 4. REQUEST FOR RED CURB AT PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE AND CHAPMAN STREET

Traffic Engineer Guilmette presented the staff report, and added that the staff recommendation had been modified (in a supplemental staff report) as follows:

- 1) The installation of **25** feet of red curb on the west side of Pennsylvania Avenue between a point 24 feet and **49** feet north of the north curb line of Chapman Street; and
- 2) The installation of 25 feet red curb on the north side of Chapman Street between 20 feet and 45 feet west of the west curb line of Pennsylvania Avenue.

Traffic Engineer Guilmette responded to Commission questions.

There was a brief discussion regarding consistency of the length of such red curbs.

Commissioner Sloane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ballard recommending that the request be approved to install the two red curbs as recommended in the supplemental staff report.

**MOTION CARRIED** by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners: Ballard, Sloane, and Vice-Chair Carmody  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Commissioner Cozzolino and Chair Kurata  
RECUSE: None

## **5. RED CURB REQUEST ON NARBONNE AVENUE AND 240TH STREET**

Traffic Advisor Irena Guilmette presented the staff report and responded to Commission questions.

Director Dillon stated that there is already 25 feet of red curb at the location, and that two-hour parking restrictions will soon be implemented there as a result of the Downtown Parking Plan, which may resolve the issue. She added that the request can be reconsidered at a later date if necessary.

Vice-Chair Carmody made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sloane to deny the request to extend the red curb on the east side of Narbonne Avenue south of 240<sup>th</sup> Street.

**MOTION CARRIED** by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners: Ballard, Sloane, and Vice-Chair Carmody

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Cozzolino and Chair Kurata

RECUSE: None

## **6. ALERT SOUTH BAY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL NOTIFICATION SYSTEM**

Management Analyst Hernandez presented a brief overview of the system, which is still in the development process. She responded to Commission questions regarding the timeline for implementation and the system's cost to the City.

## **7. TRAFFIC REQUEST UPDATES**

Director Dillon stated that two items were referred to Caltrans, as the requests are for locations in their jurisdiction, and the other requests are all either still under review or are being monitored by the Sheriff's Department.

She responded to Commission questions regarding the internal process for such requests and traffic light maintenance. She said that issues with traffic lights in Caltrans' jurisdiction can still be reported to City staff, who will contact the agency.

## **8. SHERIFF DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

Deputy Despot stated that there were record crowds at the Lomita Fair held September 7 and 8, 2019. He then remarked upon the homelessness problem in the City and surrounding areas. He also spoke of parking enforcement near local schools.

## **OTHER MATTERS**

### **9. COMMISSIONER ITEMS**

Commissioner Sloane remarked upon his attendance at the August 6, 2019, City Council meeting. He said the Downtown Parking Plan was approved, and there was discussion regarding the City's water issue.

Vice-Chair Carmody stated that the City is arranging public tours of its water plant. He also remarked upon the August 6, 2019, City Council meeting, and stated that there was much discussion regarding the City's water situation. In addition, he said an agreement with Hi-Shear Corporation was discussed.

### **10. COMMISSIONERS TO ATTEND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Tuesday, October 1, 2019 – Commissioner Sloane  
Tuesday, October 15, 2019 – Vice-Chair Carmody

### **11. STAFF ITEMS – ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

### **12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Kurata adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

ATTEST:



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Linda E. Abbott  
Deputy City Clerk