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CULVER CITY BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CULVER CITY BICYCLE AND
PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

June 16, 2021
6:00 P.M.

Call To Order & Roll Call

Chair Weiner called the special meeting of the Culver City Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee to order at 6:03 P.M. in the Patacchia Meeting Room at City Hall.

Members Present: Michelle Weiner, Chair
Art Nomura, Vice Chair
Zirwat Chowdhury, Member
Greg Maron, Member*
George Montgomery, Member
Travis Morgan, Member
Robyn Tenensap, Member
Dane Twichell, Member

*Member Maron joined the meeting at 6:05 P.M.

Staff Present: Diana Chang, Transportation and Mobility
Planning Manager
Andrew Maximous, Mobility and Traffic
Engineering Manager
Alicia Ide, Management Analyst

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Pledge of Allegiance

Member Tenensap led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Items from Members/Staff

Member Maron asked about taking traffic counts on Main Street; changes to adaptive signals at Culver and Washington or National and Washington; the closure of La Ballona Creek at the Higuera Bridge; and availability of buses for summer school.

Responding to inquiry from Vice Chair Nomura, Alicia Ide, Management Analyst, indicated the intent to agendaize discussion of the bylaws for the next meeting when new Members would be seated as well as an update on Committee accomplishments; she welcomed back reappointed Chair Weiner and Members Montgomery and Morgan; discussed accepting nominations for elections for the Chair and Vice Chair prior to the next meeting; ethics training; approval of the design for the Farragut Connector and the return of the Safe Routes to School contract on the June 27, 2022 City Council agenda; and she clarified that the MTAP (Mobility, Traffic and Parking) Committee had changed to a bi-monthly schedule.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the report submitted to the City Council; the requirement for regular bi-annual reports to the City Council; Council Member appreciation for verbal reports from Committees, Boards, and Commissions; attendance of City Council meetings where recommendations are considered; Committee agreements on regular reports provided to the City Council; echoing Committee priorities to the City Council; official reports from the Chair vs. comments made by individual Committee Members; concerns with issues that are discussed repeatedly; effectiveness of addressing the City Council in person; and a suggestion that at the end of each meeting, the Committee discuss which items to highlight in a report to the City Council.

Diana Chang, Transportation and Mobility Planning Manager, provided an update on active Public Works Mobility and Traffic Engineering Projects; discussed work to integrate bike route information in the mobility service app; the Technology Road Map; improving the customer experience and department operational efficiency; work with the consultant on assessments; the goal to deliver the information people need for day to day travel; identification of a mass application to serve the purpose; and obtaining feedback from the Committee.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding use of the regional Transit app; the BikeShare update; updates being done by Metro; coordination between Culver City and Metro; and efforts to provide bikes to Fox Hills.

Andrew Maximous, Mobility and Traffic Engineering Manager, reported approval of a request for a four-way stop at Braddock and Lafayette and implementation of leading pedestrian intervals.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding testing vs. implementation; established technology; identification of needed locations; length of the leading pedestrian interval; polling; communication between Committee Members; input to staff; Brown Act rules; providing input to staff; Adaptive Traffic Signal (ATS) timing; providing less variability; intersections on the MOVE Culver City corridor; assessments around Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD); the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP); large-scale neighborhood requests; data collection and research; justification for making changes; the process to request changes; actionable items; and transparency.

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Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda

Chair Weiner invited public comment.

The following member of the public addressed the Committee:

Mary Daval thanked staff for changes made to the Lafayette/Braddock intersection; discussed accidents not captured by statistics; treacherous intersections; right turns; the Culver Boulevard bike path; the Ballona Creek bike path; labelling exits better; adding mile markers; providing information to help in emergency situations; educational signage for use of the multi-use path; and adding mileage information to specific destinations.

Discussion ensued between Ms. Daval and Committee Members regarding exit signage; mile markers; and signage to help in the event of an emergency.

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Receipt of Correspondence

Chair Weiner reported that no correspondence had been received.

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Approval of Minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Special Meeting on April 21, 2022

MOVED BY MEMBER MORGAN, SECONDED BY MEMBER MONTGOMERY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 21, 2022.

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Action Items

Item A-1

Status Update of All Active Public Works Mobility and Traffic Engineering Projects

Andrew Maximous, Mobility and Traffic Engineering Manager, provided an update on active Public Works Mobility and Traffic Engineering projects.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding updates on project funding; active projects; staffing; grants; the Overland bike lane project; grants; design and construction; implementation; the bidding process; the grant for the Overland High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST) safety improvement; scope of the bike lane project; ATP funding; Highway Safety Improvement Projects (HSIPs); adding a No Right Turn sign to prevent cut-through traffic at Green Valley Circle; the Neighborhood Traffic Management

Program (NTMP); safety vs. encouraging left hand turns; changing circulation patterns; required processes to make changes; the Ince/Lucerne redesign; lack of funding for the Slow Streets program; requests for similar programs in other neighborhoods; expiring COVID programs; costs for signage; mapping applications;; department resources used to support of the Slow Streets program; use of volunteers; uncertainty of future funding; existing infrastructure; maintaining the current program; moving the program to more effective locations; MOVE Culver City; Ballona Creek improvements; traffic safety education; the funding agreement for the Expo line; the need for a design before implementing the HFST; safety concerns; coordination with Los Angeles; staffing changes;; Complete Streets guidelines; the Fox Hills Master Plan; the Farragut Bike Boulevard; Safe Routes to School; the original proposal for one lane of traffic on Green Valley Circle; a suggestion to hold a meeting with Fox Hills residents before moving forward; mitigations and changes; I-405 ramps at Sawtelle; LAWA (Los Angeles World Airport) improvements; the changeable message sign on Sepulveda and Slauson; coordination of the Sepulveda and Centinela intersection; Arts District parking; the end of the conditional permits for outdoor dining; connecting the bike path on Washington Boulevard with Adams; resident concerns with neighborhood parking intrusion; changes to disabled parking; the process to request blue zone parking; extended parking for disabled individuals; the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan; information on the City website; Rancho Higuera; Phase 2; funding; Phase 1; the bike lane; Main Street; utilization of outdoor space; the Farmers Market; the huge amount of effort to enable cars to travel on to Main Street; car travel on Washington; parklet requirements; data; expiration of the Temporary Use Permit; COVID provisions; parking garage capacity; use of Main Street as a driveway for the parking garage; potential locations for scrambled intersections; Vision Zero; safety studies;; Leading Pedestrian Intervals (LPIs); appreciation to staff for the time put into the report; loss of bicycle parking in the downtown area when the sidewalks were redone; the sidewalk project on the north side of Culver; improvements to the process to request installation of bicycle racks; providing equity for cyclists; resources; reliance on community input; testing of the temporary closure of Main Street; and the timeline.

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Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda (Continued)

Chair Weiner invited public comment.

The following member of the public addressed the Committee:

Mary Daval expressed support for proposed improvements on Robertson; asked about the timing for the connection to Adams; discussed funding for the connection for Duquesne to Culver; and she received clarification regarding Complete Street Guidelines.

Andrew Maximous, Mobility and Traffic Engineering Manager, discussed Complete Streets Guidelines; the special pot of money for segment 2; Conditions of Approval; the proposed Class 4 lane on the northern portion of Sepulveda; and prioritization of segment 12.

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Items from Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Members/Staff (Continued)

Vice Chair Nomura reported receipt of a SCAG (Southern California Association of Governments) grant through Bike Culver City for a 12-week program to provide free safety equipment for low income residents and employees; he discussed the timeframe for the program; equipment provided; qualifying income range; and he asked for referrals.

Member Twichell discussed pedestrian signals and stated that if it is safe for a pedestrian to cross, a walk signal should be displayed.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the need to push a button in order to get a walk signal; the Madison and Culver intersection; jaywalking; timing; programming; extra time allocated to the main street phase; improvements made over time; limitations; and use of the touchless system.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 8:44 P.M., the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee adjourned to a meeting to be held on August 18, 2022.

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Alicia Ide
SECRETARY of the Culver City Bicycle and Pedestrian
Advisory Committee
Culver City, California

APPROVED

Michelle Weiner
CHAIR of the Culver City Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory
Committee
Culver City, California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.

Jeremy Bocchino
CITY CLERK

Date