



# MINUTES

## TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

**June 5, 2018**  
City Council Chamber  
1 Civic Center Plaza  
Irvine, CA 92606

### CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Transportation Commission was called to order at 5:31 p.m. on June 5, 2018.

### ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 4	Commissioner:	Ken Montgomery
	Commissioner:	Sandy Moody
	Vice-Chair:	Carrie O'Malley
	Chair:	Steve Greenberg

ABSENT: 1	Commissioner:	Rose Casey
-----------	---------------	------------

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chair O'Malley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

### ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

### ORAL COMMUNICATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**1. TRANSPORTATION GRANTS**

Melissa Dugan, Supervising Transportation Analyst, presented the item and answered questions.

Commission discussion included: 1) description of Bloomberg Philanthropies' Mayors Challenge; 2) transit funding and competitive projects; 3) change in guidelines for Project V; 4) Jeffrey Open Space Trail bridge in Active Transportation Program – crosswalk enhancements, guard rail, potential restriping; 5) pursuit of additional stakeholders in creation of the Citywide Bicyclist, Pedestrian, Motorist Safety Program; and 6) description of projects under evaluation for the Highway Safety Improvement Program grants.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**2. MINUTES**

**ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Montgomery, seconded by Commissioner Moody and unanimously carried by those members present (Commissioner Casey absent), to approve the Consent Calendar.**

Approve the minutes of a regular meeting of the Transportation Commission held on May 15, 2018.

**COMMISSION BUSINESS**

This item was taken out of order.

**5. LIMITED SCOPE TRAFFIC STUDY FOR A CONVENIENCE STORE WITH GAS PUMPS AT THE SQUARE, A RETAIL CENTER LOCATED AT 17901-17971 MACARTHUR BOULEVARD IN PLANNING AREA 36 (IRVINE BUSINESS COMPLEX)**

Karen Urman, Senior Transportation Analyst, presented the item and answered questions. Sun-Sun Murillo, Project Development Administrator, and Jaimee Bourgeois, City Traffic Engineer, were available for questions

Public Comment:

Pete Pirzadeh, with Pirzadeh & Associates, spoke as the developer and on behalf of the Irvine Company Retail Properties Group, to explain that this project is a relocation of an existing convenience store, with the addition of a gas station feature to an existing shopping center. He provided additional information on this project and made himself available to answer questions.

Commission discussion included: 1) the need to widen the roadway between driveways; 2) comparison of the new location to other locations with similar conditions; 3) the need for gas stations in the area; 4) location of Caltrans right-of-way boundaries on MacArthur; 5) the permit application process; 6) encroachment permits; 7) potential hazard caused by turning movements at the driveway; and 8) monitoring of traffic queuing on Main at Sky Park Circle, specifically the left-turn pocket queuing, similar to how staff monitors other areas of the City.

**ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Montgomery, seconded by Vice-Chair O'Malley, motion carried 4-0-1 (Commissioner Casey absent) to:**

Review the Limited Scope Traffic Study and recommend that the Planning Commission require three project features, as described in this report, as part of the approval of Conditional Use Permit 00721734-PCPM, for a new convenience store with gas pumps located at The Square.

### **3. ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO POSTED SPEED LIMITS**

Tran Tran, Senior Transportation Engineer, presented the item and answered questions. Jaimee Bourgeois, City Traffic Engineer, was available for questions.

Commission discussion included: 1) recognition that some speeds have been lowered after noted concerns from the Transportation Commission (specifically Irvine Boulevard, Jeffrey Road, Portola Parkway); 2) inconsistency in reports for recommended speed on Portola, from Jeffrey to Sand Canyon – to be corrected to 55 MPH; 3) speed limit change on Barranca to Warner caused confusion to drivers – suggestion to retain 50 MPH; 4) inclusion of Ridgeline and Turtle Rock in traffic study (page 9 of 13 on Master List) – possible to resurvey in 2020, but suggestion was made to wait until the University Ridgeline traffic signal is complete and resurvey in 2022; 5) reason for adding speed limit signage on Vintage, in Woodbury – request for inclusion in next year's study; 6) changes to Harvard, University to Michelson (page 5 of 13) – unique area with golf course, university trail, senior homes, and UCI campus; 7) Eastwood/Northwood – justification for no increase – staff will resurvey next year; 8) Culver, Campus to University – recommend lowering speed limit to 50 MPH; 10) reminder that school zone speeds are always 25 MPH when children are present, and higher speeds are in place when schools are not in session; 11) inquiry on speeds when activities occur outside of school hours; 12) newly-surveyed streets, specifically Deerfield, between Yale and Normandy, Gateway, between Irvine Center Drive and Spectrum Center Drive, and Kelvin, from Jamboree to Murphy; 13) speed reductions, specifically on Jeffrey, from Irvine Boulevard to Encore – a new development and residences prompted the change in road condition characteristics; 14) newly-surveyed Orchard Hill – speed limit originally established by developer; and 15) reason for speed reduction at

Von Karman, from Main to Barranca, in a mostly industrial area – ongoing projects, including town homes and other adjacent uses prompted this change.

**ACTION: Moved by Vice-Chair O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Montgomery, motion carried 4-0-1 (Commissioner Casey absent) to:**

Recommend City Council adopt an ordinance directing an amendment to the City of Irvine Engineering and Traffic Surveys for Speed Limits, as maintained by the Public Works Department, as the official documentation of declared prima facie speed limits with five suggested comments on the recommendations:

- 1) Attachment 3, Page 4 of 13: Culver, from Barranca to Warner – retain 50 MPH
- 2) Attachment 3, Page 9 of 13: Correct typographical error and retain 55 MPH on Portola, from Jeffrey to Sand Canyon
- 3) Study Vintage to Woodbury this year and bring recommendation back to the Commission next year
- 4) Attachment 3, Page 4 of 13: Retain 50 MPH on Culver, from Campus to University
- 5) Attachment 1, Speed Increases: Eastwood to Northwood – retain current MPH and do not increase

**4. COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE – SECOND SURVEY RESULTS AND PRELIMINARY PLANNING FRAMEWORK PRESENTATION**

Bill Jacobs, Principal Planner, and Melissa Chao, Senior Planner, presented the item and answered questions.

Commission discussion included: 1) page 3 items listed not necessarily in order; 2) guiding principles and reason Public Safety was not included in discussion points; 3) suggestion to add crime prevention to Community Safety; 4) suggestion to add crime prevention to fourth bullet point of Public Services and Infrastructure; 5) Housing to be defined later and Affordable Housing to be addressed with full update – both sides have been reported, for and against affordable housing; 6) childcare centers located under Public Services and Infrastructure; 7) Housing topic three – density in homes/apartments, residents move to Irvine to be suburban; 8) bus service and suggestion to consult with Orange County Transportation Authority; and 9) clarification on permitting boarding homes, staff will revisit this issue for further study.

**ACTION: Moved by Vice-Chair O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Moody, motion carried 4-0-1 (Commissioner Casey absent) to:**

Review the results of the second public outreach survey for the Comprehensive General Plan Update and provide input on Planning Framework for the General Plan Update with following comments:

- 1) Add crime prevention on Page 5, Section i
- 2) Page 43, Topic 8: Add a bullet point titled "crime prevention" to the list

**REPORT ON CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS OF TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION ITEMS**

Reminder that the Council Chamber will be under construction July – November. The Transportation Commission meeting will be relocated to the Conference and Training Center.

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

There were none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

By consensus, Chair Greenberg adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m. to a regular Transportation Commission meeting on June 19, 2018 at 5:30 p.m., City of Irvine, City Council Chamber, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, CA.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
STEVE GREENBERG  
CHAIR

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
MARK LINSENMAYER  
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
DEBORAH KELLY  
RECORDING SECRETARY

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
JUNE 19, 2018  
DATE APPROVED