

MINUTES

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

January 15, 2019

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 5:30 p.m. on January 15, 2019.

ROLL CALL

Present:	4	Commissioner: Commissioner: Vice Chair: Chair:	Ken Montgomery Christine Knowland Carrie O'Malley Steve Greenberg
Vacant:	1	Commissioner:	Vacant

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Knowland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

ORAL COMMUNICATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeanne Baran, resident, spoke regarding roadway safety concerns at Campus, requesting UCI, Public Safety, and residents to come together to improve safety at this location.

Councilmember Kuo thanked the Commission for their work and introduced Commissioner Knowland.

Rose Casey, former Transportation Commissioner, thanked former Councilmember Lalloway for her appointment, expressed appreciation for the time she served, and welcomed the new commissioners.

Steve Lynchresi, resident, spoke regarding loud vehicles, law enforcement, and bicyclist safety.

REORGANIZATION OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

1) Mark Linsenmayer, Director of Transportation, declared nominations open for Chairperson and called for Commission vote.

ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Montgomery to nominate Vice Chair O'Malley as Chairperson, seconded by Chair Greenberg, and unanimously carried.

2) Newly-elected Chair O'Malley declared nominations open for Vice Chairperson and called for Commission vote.

ACTION: Moved by Chair O'Malley to nominate Commissioner Greenberg as Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Montgomery, and unanimously carried.

PRESENTATIONS

1. TRANSIT AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION OVERVIEW

Mike Davis, Transit and Transportation Administrator, presented the item and answered questions.

Discussion included: 1) the role of rearview mirrors in the improvement of bicyclist safety.

2. TRAFFIC ENGINEERING 101 - TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER

Mark Ha, Supervising Transportation Analyst, presented the item and answered questions.

Discussion included: 1) number of intersections with cameras; 2) flood incident on Culver; 3) traffic volume on Jamboree and request for detailed comparison of weekday versus weekend counts – staff to return with requested information; 4) timeline for yellow flashing arrows at approved intersections; and 5) request for staff to formulate an evacuation plan, better preparing residents for emergency situations, such as fires or floods.

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. MINUTES

Public Comment:

Chair O'Malley spoke on her transportation background and longevity in the City. She expressed concern about the November 20, 2018 Transportation Commission meeting minutes and the importance of minutes as a reflection of each meeting. She stated that the purpose of the Veterans Cemetery item was to receive input from the Commission regarding transportation issues, not to show site preference, which was outside of the Commission's purview of the item.

*Item was separated into two separate motions. The first motion includes all proposed amendments, without regards to the Cemetery item.

ACTION: Moved by Chair O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Montgomery, motion carried 3-0-1 (Commissioners O'Malley, Greenberg, and Montgomery voted yes; Commissioner Knowland abstained) to:

Approve the minutes of a regular meeting of the Transportation Commission held on November 20, 2018 as amended, to include: 1) a discussion on school safety regarding measures taken, such as repainting crosswalks, installing reflectors, and looking at blind spots; 2) speed limit in the Ridgeline/Turtle Rock area; and 3) left-hand turn restriping and elongation.

ACTION: Moved by Chair O'Malley, motion not seconded, motion failed, to:

Approve the minutes of a regular meeting of the Transportation Commission held on November 20, 2018, with the inclusion of the changes from Chair O'Malley's memo*.

*Included as part of the January, 15 2019 electronic Transportation Commission agenda, found on the City website.

ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Montgomery, seconded by Vice Chair Greenberg, motion carried 2-1-1 (Commissioners Greenberg and Montgomery voted yes; Commissioner O'Malley voted no; Commissioner Knowland abstained) to:

Approve the minutes of a regular meeting of the Transportation Commission held on November 20, 2018.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

4. CITY OF IRVINE MOBILITY REPORT CARD

Mark Linsenmayer, Director of Transportation, presented the item and answered questions. Mark Ha, Supervising Transportation Analyst, was also available to answer questions.

Public Comment:

Susan Sayre, resident, stated that remediation is needed at several intersections in the Woodbridge area.

Discussion included: 1) corridor travel speeds calculated as an average based on volume; 2) possible reasons for speed increase in certain corridors; 3) historical data for Michelson; 4) calculation of Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) and VMT within the City; 5) ways to improve data; 6) the decrease of speed on Michelson due to an increase in vehicle volume, as a result of becoming alternative route to Jamboree – staff working on improvements.

ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Montgomery, seconded by Vice Chair Greenberg, and unanimously carried to:

1) Accept the Transportation Department Status Update; receive and file the City of Irvine Mobility Report Card and Summary of Existing Conditions.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Chair O'Malley requested staff present an evacuation plan for the City either by way of quadrants or villages, in case of emergencies, such as floods or fires.

Commissioner Knowland would like to see a report on intersection failures. Director Linsenmayer mentioned that the Department does prepare studies based on levels of service; staff to present findings on the intersections in the Irvine Business Center.

Request by Commissioner Montgomery for an item regarding an electric scooters and input by shopping center owners on the topic.

ANA WILLIAMS

RECORDING SECRETARY

ADJOURNMENT

By consensus, Chair O'Malley adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m. to a regular Transportation Commission meeting on February 5, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., City of Irvine, City Council Chamber, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, CA.

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