

MINUTES

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

February 19, 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 February 19, 2019.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5

Commissioner: Commissioner: Commissioner: Vice Chair: Chair: Rose Casey Christine Knowland Ken Montgomery Steve Greenberg Carrie O'Malley

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair O'Malley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions.

ORAL COMMUNICATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

PRESENTATIONS

1. SCHOOL AREA ASSESSMENT – VISTA VERDE K-8 SCHOOL

Tran Tran, Senior Transportation Engineer, presented the item and answered questions. Jaimee Bourgeois, City Traffic Engineer, and Mark Ha, Supervising Transportation Analyst, were also available to answer questions. Discussion included: 1) areas covered by video detection at traffic signals on Federation, Turtle Ridge, and Bonita Canyon; 2) joint use of parking lot at the community center; 3) "right turn only" exits at the school; 4) request for bus service expansion, providing service to students that live further, and a request for an update to Commission after this has been addressed; 5) traffic at the intersection of Shady Canyon and Bonita Canyon during morning drop-offs – Traffic Management Center (ITRAC) will be monitoring; and 6) City/Irvine Unified School District (IUSD) quarterly meeting.

2. RESPONSE TO COMMISSIONER MONTGOMERY'S REQUEST TO EVALUATE TRAIL CONNECTIONS

Melissa Dugan, Supervising Transportation Analyst, presented the item and answered questions. Jaimee Bourgeois, City Traffic Engineer, was also available to answer questions.

Discussion included: 1) camera monitoring at intersections, and limitations; 2) traffic flow and pedestrian crossing timing on Marine Way/Sand Canyon; 3) video detection system feature that differentiates motor vehicles from bicycles; and 4) potential project delays due to interagency coordination.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

3. SHARED ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

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

Public Comments:

Susan Sayre, resident, asked about programs implemented in other cities and suggested the City of Irvine conduct an extensive survey identifying types of users and their destinations.

Clayton McFadden, Von Karman Creative Campus, spoke in favor of the implementation of electric scooters in Irvine and against the moratorium.

Greg Bologna, with Lime, spoke regarding the pilot program implemented in Santa Ana, and against the 1-year moratorium.

Mathew Jones, resident, spoke in favor of a permanent moratorium due to lack of scooter control and safety concerns.

Discussion included: 1) safety concerns of riders and pedestrians; 2) design, traffic safety features, and quality control of scooters; 3) implementation of a shorter program in a specific designated area, such as the Great Park; 4) locations where scooters would be permitted, such as Class 1 Bike areas; 5) Active Transportation Plan scooter use regulations;

6) moratorium purpose and length; 7) scooter rental cost; 8) Public Safety procedures and regulations for business-owned scooters parked around the City; 9) oversight regulations and additional workload for the Irvine Police Department; 10) cost reimbursement by businesses to the City; 10) pilot programs and findings in other cities – such as scooter usage, sidewalk usage, parking, and blockage of ADA access.

ACTION: Moved by Vice Chair Greenberg, motion dies due to lack of second, to:

Research shared vehicle programs and have a pilot program in a confined area such as the Great Park, reporting back to the Commission in 90 days.

ACTION: Motion by Vice Chair Greenberg, seconded by Commissioner Montgomery, motion carried 5-0, to:

Continue to research shared vehicle programs, have a pilot program in a confined area such as the Great Park, and report back to the Commission in 120 days.

4. ISHUTTLE FLEET PROCUREMENT

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

Discussion included: 1) funding and size requirement of new iShuttle buses; 2) specifications of current buses versus new buses; 3) expansion of the program, like OC Flex; and 4) operational options for public transportation, such as number of routes.

ACTION: Motion by Chair O'Malley, seconded by Vice Chair Greenberg, motion carried 5-0, to:

- 1) Recommend City Council approve that the Orange County Transportation Authority procure twelve 32-foot transit style compressed natural gas buses to replace aging vehicles in the iShuttle fleet.
- Recommend City Council authorize the Director of Transportation to execute any agreement(s) or Memorandum(a) of Understanding with the Orange County Transportation Authority, as necessary, to facilitate procurement of the vehicles.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Request for staff to return to the Transportation Commission with information regarding how OC Flex is proceeding in other cities.

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ADJOURNMENT

By consensus, Chair O'Malley adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m. to a regular Transportation Commission meeting on March 5, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., City of Irvine, City Council Chamber, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, CA.

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