

MINUTES

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

February 5, 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 5, 2019.

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair O'Malley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

ORAL COMMUNICATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS

1. REVIEW OF 2017 TRAFFIC COLLISION PATTERNS

Jaimee Bourgeois, City Traffic Engineer, presented the item and answered questions.

Discussion included: 1) update on flashing left-turn signal project; 2) request for study on stop sign controlled intersections, identifying patterns and solutions to prevent collisions; 3) options to improve compliance at intersections, stop signs, or crosswalks that are heavily used by pedestrians or bicyclists; 4) the implementation of higher visibility crosswalks for intersections considered at higher risk for accidents in the 2017 report; 5) ranking of the City of Irvine in overall safety; and 6) sharrows and a request to look into their implementation in traffic circles.

Public Comment:

William Sellin, from the Bicycle Club of Irvine and the Orange County Bicycle Coalition, spoke in favor of improvements on Harbor and Berkley, expressed concern regarding high speeds at various intersections throughout the City, and had suggestions regarding bicycle safety.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Chair O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Montgomery, motion carried 4-0 to approve the Consent Calendar.

Approve the minutes of a regular meeting of the Transportation Commission held on December 4, 2018, and January 15, 2019, as amended.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

2. APPROVAL OF PROJECT REPORT AND ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FOR THE JEFFREY OPEN SPACE TRAIL EXTENSION PROJECT FROM BARRANCA TO WALNUT

Cheryl Lea, Senior Transportation Analyst, presented the item and answered questions.

Melissa Dugan, Supervising Transportation Analyst, and Alan Ashimine, Michael Baker International, were also available to answer questions. Public Comment:

William Sellin, spoke in favor of the project and requested the Commission address bicycle safety/infrastructure on this trail. He also expressed concern regarding bicycle lanes at intersections throughout the City.

Discussion included: 1) funding from the Systems Development Charge Non-Circulation account; 2) ability to design the portion of the trail under Walnut with asphalt rather than concrete; 3) potential safety issues and difference in cost resulting from the use of varying materials; 4) striping of bicycle trails to include pedestrian areas; 5) presentation of final design to Commission; 6) increased signage along the trail; and 7) setback distance to Jeffrey and suggestion to provide a barrier from vehicles.

ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Montgomery, seconded by Chair O'Malley, and unanimously carried to:

- Recommend that City Council adopt A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE PROJECT REPORT AND ADOPTING THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE JEFFREY OPEN SPACE TRAIL (JOST) EXTENSION PROJECT FROM BARRANCA TO WALNUT
- 2) Recommend that City Council authorize staff to proceed with the final design and right-of-way phase of the preferred trail alignment starting no sooner than July 1, 2019, upon City Council approval of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget, with funds allocated for the final design and right-of-way phase in Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20 (year one), and construction phase in FY 2020-21 (year two).

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

By consensus, Chair O'Malley adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m. to a regular Transportation Commission meeting on February 19, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., City of Irvine, City Council Chamber, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, CA.

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CHAIR

RECORDING SECRETARY

MARK LINSENMAYER

DIRECTOR OF PRANSPORTATION

2/19/19 . DATE APPROVED