



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
4th Floor Conference Room A

Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Traffic and Parking Commission Committee

SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, May 4, 2017
5:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: May 4, 2017 / 5:30 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Vice Mayor Julian Gold, MD, Councilmember Lester Friedman, Traffic and Parking Commission Chair David Seidel, Traffic and Parking Commissioner Jay Solnit, City Manager Mahdi Aluzri, Director of Community Development Susan Healy Keene, Deputy Director of Transportation Aaron Kunz, Transportation Planner Martha Eros, Executive Assistant Karen Myron, Fehr & Peers Consultant Sarah Brandenburg, Fehr & Peers Consultant Amanda Heinke

1) PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to directly address the Committee on any item listed on the agenda.

Public Comment was provided at various points during the meeting.

Speakers: Mark Elliot, Kory Klem, Cristie St. James (Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church)

2) COMPLETE STREETS PLAN

Deputy Director of Transportation Aaron Kunz introduced Consultants Sarah Brandenburg and Amanda Heinke to review the next steps for the City's Complete Streets Plan. Questions raised by the Committee members included the duration of the Plan, the inclusion of all relative elements, community outreach and input, development of a plan that works for the entire city, and the expected timeframe leading up to implementation. Public comments noted attention to safety, and recognition that individuals often utilize multiple modes of transportation.

The next step in the process is to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP), which will include:

1. Community Outreach – workshops, walking/riding tours, farmers markets
2. Project Management and Coordination – weekly calls with staff
3. Existing Conditions and Best Practices – what currently works and does not work; what other cities are doing
4. Emerging Transportation Trends – rideshares such as Uber and Lyft; autonomous vehicles

5. Development of Complete Streets Plan – what does the ultimate plan look like?
6. Finalization of Complete Streets Plan – approximately 9 months to develop, with 5-10 year lifespan of plan

The Committee directed staff to issue the Complete Streets RFP.

3) CONCEPTS FOR RODEO DRIVE / PARK WAY CROSSWALK

Staff reviewed possible options that had been presented by the Fehr & Peers Consultant team. Both the Traffic and Parking Commission and the City Council previously did not support the option of a pedestrian hybrid beacon. The preschool located at Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church has plans to provide a crossing guard during certain school hours.

Conversation also included the quantity and type (diagonal versus parallel) of parking spaces located between the crosswalk and Santa Monica Boulevard.

This item will be on the May 16, 2017 City Council Study Session agenda for further discussion by the City Council.

4) PREFERENTIAL PERMIT PARKING DISTRICTS

Transportation Planner Martha Eros explained the three proposed phases to consolidate the City's 73 existing Preferential Parking Permit (PPP) Zones:

1. Group existing multi-family blocks with similar parking regulations
2. Predesignate non-permit zones north of Santa Monica Boulevard
3. Address existing PPP zones and non-PPP blocks south of Santa Monica Boulevard

Public outreach needed for the process is proposed to take place at Traffic and Parking Commission special meetings.

Discussion points included the following: challenges on blocks that contain both multi-family and single-family homes, justification of consolidating zones – consolidation should not take place simply to have fewer zones, types of Municipal Code amendments necessary to complete the process, permit enforcement – specifically manual (hang tag) versus electronic (license plate readers) to identify which vehicles are permitted to park in which zones, unique requests for specific blocks, and possible negative reaction from residents who will be affected by the consolidation.

Traffic and Parking Commission Chair Siedel suggested that the Commission further discuss and refine the redistricting proposal, including possible acceleration of the initial roll-out, prior to City Council review. The Liaison Committee agreed and the item will be placed on an upcoming Traffic and Parking Commission agenda for additional input and direction prior to City Council review.

ADJOURNMENT

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