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MINUTES
September 12, 2024
10:00 AM

CONVENED

The Board of Transportation Commissioners convened a regular meeting on Thursday, September 12, 2024 at 10:18 AM in Los Angeles, CA.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

ITEM NO. 1 – WELCOME

President Liban called the meeting to order and welcomed all those present noting that those wishing to testify before the Board must fill out a speaker's form. He informed the audience that if anyone is a registered lobbyist, City ordinance requires that it should be indicated on the speaker's form.

ITEM NO. 2 – ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Douglas Tohom, Cris Liban, Vigen Davidian, Erin Pak, Raymond Regalado, and David Marquez; Jay Kim, Assistant General Manager (AGM); and Michael Nagle, Deputy City Attorney (DCA) and Kevin Dufner, Deputy City Attorney (DCA)

Absent: Commissioner Selika Talbott

ITEM NO. 3 - MINUTES

Commissioner Pak moved, seconded by Commissioner Tohom to approve the Minutes of August 8, 2024. APPROVED. Commissioner Marquez did not vote since this was his first meeting as a newly appointed Commissioner.

ITEM NO. 4 – COMMISSION BUSINESS

Commissioner Liban welcomed newly appointed Commissioner David Marquez and invited him to say a few remarks.

Commissioner Marquez gave a brief introductory statement.

ITEM NO. 5 – COMMUNICATIONS

No communication reported.

ITEM NO. 6 – GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

AGM Jay Kim, gave the report.

- LADOT Transit provided support to the Los Angeles Fire Department with buses used as cooling stations due to the multiple fires and excessive heat wave.

Comments were provided.

- Commissioner Regalado complimented the traffic officers in San Pedro for their services during the heat wave.
- Commissioner Liban acknowledged the services provided by LADOT staff.
- AGM Kim will pass along the compliments to staff.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

There were no comments.

PUBLIC FORUM

There was public comment.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

ITEM NO. 7 – LADOT Budget Report-Back

Roy Cervantes, Chief Management Analyst, provided a report.

Questions and answers were provided.

- In reference to the Olympics staff planning, Commissioner Regalado asked what would happen to the positions after the Olympics is over.
- Mr. Cervantes briefly stated that the positions would likely be reassigned to existing or new transportation-related projects following the Olympics.
- Commissioner Tohom asked about the positions vacated due to retirement or other attrition and the expected timeframe for the budget cuts.
- Mr. Cervantes explained how the vacated positions will be backfilled, subject to the City's Prioritized Critical Hiring process, and will get back with more details on the expected timeframe. Mr. Cervantes stated that 2024-25 budget cuts are already in effect but that impacts are still being determined.
- Commissioner Davidian asked how DOT's budget cuts compare to other departments and what the 5-year outlook would be like.
- Mr. Cervantes discussed how DOT's budget cuts were consistent with other departments and what the outlook would be (to request to maintain current positions and seek other outside funding opportunities) given the City's budget concerns in the next few years.
- Commissioner Liban asked what the priority of the positions that were cut.
- Mr. Cervantes discussed the general factors behind the Citywide budget cuts that were recommended and approved by the Mayor and Council, which was

mainly focused on the General Fund. For DOT, the General Fund primarily supported traffic officers and all parking facilities/operations-related positions.

- Commissioner Liban asked if the Board could get a report back on milestones and long-term revenue impact at some point in the future.
- Mr. Cervantes acknowledged the request and will report back to the Commission at a future meeting.
- Commissioner Liban asked AGM Kim if the Department was running okay for now.
- AGM Kim stated how all data on the impacts are not yet available.

CONSENT ITEM

ITEM NO. 8 – Recommend Approval of the Application of Newcastle Van Lines Inc. dba Cali Van Medical Transportation for One Unrestricted Non-Ambulatory Passenger Vehicle Permit.

ITEM NO. 9 – Recommend Approval of the Application of Helpful hands transportation dba Helpful Hands Transportation for One Unrestricted Non-Ambulatory Passenger Vehicle Permit

ITEM NO. 10 – Recommend Approval of the Application of GOGO Medical Transportation Inc. dba GOGO Medical Transportation for Three Unrestricted Non-Ambulatory Passenger Vehicle Permits

ITEM NO. 11 – Recommend Approval of the Application of Heart Ambulance Corporation dba Heart Ambulance for Three Unrestricted Private Ambulance Vehicle Permits

Commissioner Davidian moved, seconded by Commissioner Pak to approve Item Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11. Unanimously APPROVED.

ACTION ITEM

ITEM NO. 12 – Proposed Request for Proposals for the Development of Municipal Parking Lot No. 614 in the Miracle Mile to Affordable Housing

Michelle Cayton, Acting Supervising Transportation Planner, presented the report.

Questions and answers were provided.

- Commissioner Liban asked who parks during the day and how will people be displaced.
- Ms. Cayton reported that the business and residential communities park during the day.
- DCA Nagle added that there is a Catholic School in the area.
- Commissioner Pak discussed outreach to the business community and shared her thoughts on how to be more innovative to generate more revenue.
- AGM Kim clarified the context of the report.
- Andre Perry of the CAO was present and addressed the Board and discussed their analysis and recommendation on the report.


- Commissioner Liban reiterated the action for the Board.
- Nellie Ruiz of the Housing Department was present and addressed the Board to clarify the RFP process.
- Commissioner Marquez shared his thoughts on the displacement of people, homelessness, and replacement parking.
- Zack Warma from CD 5 was present and addressed the Board and read off the motion.
- DCAs Nagle and Dufner clarified the Commission's authority per the Administrative Code and the Commission's role in approving the project going forward.

Commissioner Tohom moved, seconded by Commissioner Liban to approve Item No. 12. APPROVED. Commissioner Pak abstained.

ADJOURNMENT – PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.7

With no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Davidian moved, seconded by Commissioner Tohom to adjourn the meeting. Unanimously APPROVED.

The meeting adjourned at 11:42 AM.

Approved: 10/10/2024
Board of Transportation Commissioners

Commission Executive Assistant