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MINUTES
April 10, 2025
10:00 AM

CONVENED

The Board of Transportation Commissioners convened a regular meeting on Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 10:02 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.

President Liban announced that the live audio is currently unavailable.

DCA Dufner confirmed that the audio system has been shut down and consideration of a replacement is yet to be seen.

ITEM NO. 2 – ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Douglas Tohom, Cris Liban, Vigen Davidian, Raymond Regalado, David Marquez, and Juan Solorio Jr; 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 Davidian moved, seconded by Commissioner Tohom to approve the Minutes of March 13, 2025. Unanimously APPROVED.

ITEM NO. 4 – COMMISSION BUSINESS

Commissioner Liban welcomed newly appointed Commissioner Juan Solorio Jr and invited him to give introductory remarks.

Commissioner Solorio provided introductory remarks and shared his background and experience.

ITEM NO. 5 – COMMUNICATIONS

No communication reported.

ITEM NO. 6 – GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

AGM Kim provided an update on the following Department-related budget:

- Revised budget from the Mayor’s Office expected to be released on April 20th
- Increase in the City’s deficit

Questions, answers, and comments were provided.

- Commissioner Liban asked if there will be a formal report back from staff some time in May.
- AGM Kim discussed the process after the initial version of the budget is released.
- Commissioner Davidian asked if the Commission will have the opportunity to view the particulars of the budget.
- AGM Kim responded how the Commission does not have purview over Department budgeting; timing will be fast paced and the Department will have a very short window to react; and there will be series of events that will take place very quickly. He added that post budget adoption, the Department could report back in terms of the Department’s ability to provide services.
- Commissioner Regalado mentioned the closure of the Vincent Thomas Bridge while in repair and asked how he could advocate for the working employees.
- AGM Kim asked to clarify if Commissioner Regalado was referring to traffic officers.
- Commissioner Regalado confirmed he was referring to traffic officers.
- AGM Kim discussed how the Chief of Parking Enforcement ensures the safety of the officers and the general manager’s role to ensure the safety of staff.
- Commissioner Liban and AGM Kim encouraged Commissioner Regalado to reach out if there are specific concerns.
- Commissioner Tohom commented on the assumption of the \$400M City deficit and how it increased, and asked if LADOT has done the best or worst scenarios in regards to what the Mayor might propose or has the Department already provided upfront recommendations to the Mayor.
- AGM Kim explained the budget process and how the Department made recommendations at the first round of the budget process based on what was proposed, and normally those recommendations would be taken into consideration and be responded to, but it never got to that point because the second revision came along with a much bigger deficit. We are currently waiting for the new revised budget proposal to be released.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

No comments.

PUBLIC FORUM

No comments.

ACTION ITEM

ITEM NO. 7 – Establishment of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 311 in the Pico Neighborhood in Council District 10

Public comments were given.

Dorothy Tate, Supervising Transportation Planner – Parking Permit Division, presented the report.

Questions and answers were provided.

- Commissioner Davidian asked if waiving the requirement for the parking study is commonly done.
- Ms. Tate confirmed that in the case of a TPPD with an impact of less than five blocks and the urgency of the request, the parking study can be waived.
- Commissioner Davidian followed up and asked if the temporary situation is for one year.
- Ms. Tate confirmed the one year and will be reviewed at that time.
- DCA Nagle stated that they are in the process of revising 80.73.1 of the Municipal Code, which allows the City to enforce for auto repair shops who park their cars in residential streets; the law has not been revised since 1988 and the new law, if it is passed and adopted by Council sometime later this month or early May, will bring the fines up to 1st violation \$500, 2nd \$750, 3rd \$1000 within a one-year period, and will be \$1000 beyond the 12-month period which may help the residents in that district.
- Commissioner Marquez asked if the impact, process, implementation, what is and is not working evaluated after one year.
- Ms. Tate stated that the parking situation is administratively reviewed to determine if the TPPD will be renewed, and if there are any changes to the TPPD, it will come to the Board.
- Commissioner Marquez had some questions on the fiscal impact: if the residents pay for the permit; pays for the cost of administering TPPD; does paid tickets go to the general fund; and does permits cost the same across the City.
- Ms. Tate confirmed the residents pay for the permit; paid tickets go to general fund; all TPPDs and PPDs cost the same.
- Commissioner Tohom shared his concerns about providing relief to the residents and asked what communication has been done to speak with the mechanic owner from a management level versus a staff level.
- DCA Dufner commented that if the shop owner is inclined to ignore fines, the City has the option to escalate it to a notice of code enforcement violation all the way up to possible criminal penalties.
- AGM Kim explained how it is not the Department's role and practice to communicate with a shop owner about breaking the law and that there are other remedies.

- DCA Dufner clarified that it is not the Department of Transportation code enforcement action, and possibly could be the Department of Building and Safety where you could file a notice of code violation and inspectors will go out to take a look at the business and maybe escalate a penalty against the business.

Commissioner Tohom moved, seconded by Commissioner Davidian to approve Item No. 7. Unanimously APPROVED.

ITEM NO. 8 – Establishment of Preferential Parking District No. 330 in the Lake Balboa Community in Council District 6

Public comments were given.

Donielle Bryant, Management Analyst – Parking Permit Division, presented the report.

Questions and answers were provided.

- Commissioner Davidian asked why the impacts from the schools and the busway were not mentioned in the report.
- Ms. Tate stated that the impacts were included in the report.
- Commissioner Marquez asked if DOT has a role in a continued dialogue with the school district in terms of outreach, education, and communication to ensure that the school is part of the solution.
- Ms. Bryant stated that usually the Council Office Deputy will have a dialogue with the schools.
- Commissioner Liban asked what the impact of this PPD is to the school.
- Ms. Bryant described the impacts to the school.
- AGM Kim highlighted the time the parking study was conducted and how the impacts were collectively captured as part of an impact assessment.
- Commissioner Regalado commented on how some areas were surveyed and petitioned and asked to clarify if a survey or a petition is necessary.
- Ms. Cayton, Division Head Parking Permit Division, pointed out where the initial study was conducted and explained why and how the boundaries were expanded.
- AGM Kim stated that it is to help head off the spill over impact.
- Commissioner Liban asked what the residents would need to do if there was a potential spill.
- Ms. Tate explained what the residents would need to do if the problem spills over in order to have signs posted on their block.

Commissioner Davidian moved, seconded by Commissioner Tohom to approve Item No. 8. Unanimously APPROVED.

ITEM NO. 9 – Conversion of Temporary Preferential Parking District No. 149 in the Echo Park Area of Council District No. 13 to Preferential Parking District No. 149 and Expansion of its Boundaries

Public comments were given.

Felix Valde, Management Analyst – Parking Permit Division, presented the report.

Questions and answers were provided.

- Commissioner Solorio commented on the multi-family housing shown on the map and asked if there is any onsite parking for the buildings.
- Mr. Valde stated that the buildings themselves are old and do not have built-in parking but they will have access to having permit parking.
- Commissioner Liban asked if there is any anticipation of a spill over in this neighborhood.
- Mr. Valde confirmed a spill over is expected and discussed the process already in place to give the best options for each area.
- Commissioner Solorio asked to clarify what the process is to notify the residents in the multi-family buildings in terms of notification if this passes and having access to the permit application.
- Mr. Valde confirmed there will be public notification and described the process once this is approved.
- In terms of the multi-family dwelling, Commissioner Solorio asked if the notification would go to the property owner.
- Mr. Valde stated that it would only go to the residents and specifically addressed to each unit and household.
- Commissioner Regalado asked if there will be efforts to enforce during the course of the day once this item and the other two items (#7 and #8) are in place.
- Mr. Valde discussed how it would be a coordinated effort with sending notifications, posting signs, and the actual date enforcement would start.
- Commissioner Tohom asked what the current enforcement is in this area during Dodger games.
- Mr. Valde confirmed that there is a team of enforcement and a team for directing shuttles in the area specifically for the Dodger games.

Commissioner Tohom moved, seconded by Commissioner Marquez to approve Item No. 9. Unanimously APPROVED.

ADJOURNMENT – PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.7

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

The meeting adjourned at 11:17 AM.



