

# REGULAR MEETING of the TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

## MINUTES SEPTEMBER 6, 2017

The regular meeting of the Transportation Commission of the City of Rialto was held in the City Council Chambers located at 150 South Palm Avenue, Rialto, California 92376, on Wednesday, September 6, 2017.

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Dennis Barton called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

The roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Dennis Barton, Allan Kirst, Willa Henshaw, Max Tidler, Stephanie Lewis and John Plasencia. Commissioner Kelvin Moore provided notification that he would not be in attendance. City Staff/Liaisons present: Robert Eisenbeisz, Public Works Director/City Engineer; Robb Steel, Development Services Director/Assistant CA; Gina Gibson, Planning Manager; John Dutrey, Project Manager; Azzam Jabsheh, Traffic Engineer and Michele Aguirre, Commission Clerk.

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### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- ◆ The minutes from the June 7th meeting were reviewed by the Commission and approved as written.
- ◆ Commissioner Tidler moved to approve the minutes from the June 7th meeting as written.
- ◆ Commissioner Kirst seconded the motion.
- ◆ The motion was carried to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2017 meeting as written.

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### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- ◆ None

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### POLICE DEPARTMENT LIAISON REPORT

- ◆ No Report

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### RUSD LIAISON REPORT

- ◆ No report.

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### NEW BUSINESS

**Focused Traffic Impact Analysis – Warehouse on the South Side of San Bernardino Avenue between Willow Avenue and Lilac Avenue**

- ◆ Gene Klatt reviewed the staff report and requested recommendations for the item.

#### Questions & Comments

- ◆ Klatt, Ken Landis of Monte Vista and Robert Eisenbeisz answered questions and responded to comments from the Commission regarding:

- Clarification that traffic would be routed on to Willow Avenue.
- If trucks would be stored on site, how many would be stored and for how long.
- If trucks would be sitting at bays.
- If trucks would be stored overnight.
- If the wall would be a block wall.
- If the project would condition the use of Willow Avenue only.
- If there would be truck parking on Willow Avenue.
  - A discussion ensued on truck parking on streets and what the municipal code states and requires.

#### Concerns

- ◆ Commissioner Henshaw expressed concern of trucks turning into the site without a left turn pocket and if that would be a problem. Klatt provided an explanation for her concern.

#### Action

- ◆ Commissioner Lewis moved to carry forward the item with staff's recommendations.
- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia seconded the motion
- ◆ All voted in favor of carrying forward the item with staff's recommendations.

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#### **Focused Traffic Impact Analysis – Commercial Development at the Northeast Corner of Ayala Drive at Renaissance Parkway – Renaissance East Project**

- ◆ Gene Klatt reviewed the staff report and advised that revisions were made and submitted on September 5, 2017. He provided the Commission with what the differences were from all submissions and reviewed the recommendations.

#### Questions & Comments

- ◆ Klatt, Eisenbeisz, Gina Gibson and Ned Sciortino of Hillwood answered questions and responded to comments from the Commission with regard to:
  - What the Level of Service (LOS) Impacts would be and if they would stack back into the through lanes.
  - What the speed limits on Renaissance Parkway and Ayala Drive were.
  - Why the report could not be tabled to the next meeting.
    - Gibson provided an explanation to this question.
  - If the project would move forward regardless of the outcome of the Commission meeting.
  - The reason why staff's comments have not been addressed.

#### Suggestions, Requests & Recommendations

- ◆ Chairperson Barton recommended that a traffic signal needs to be addressed and included and absolutely no all-way stop.
- ◆ Chairperson Barton requested to make sure that there was enough stacking distance for the LOS F which needs to be addressed.
- ◆ Chairperson Barton reiterated the request to have a traffic signal included.

- ◆ Commissioner Kirst requested that the movements and existing conditions be review before timing diagrams and coordination systems were submitted.
  - A discussion ensued regarding the critical areas of the site and the speed limits.

Concerns

- ◆ Commissioner Kirst expressed his concern with the analysis and the issue that the report maintains a 35MPH throughout the area which was inaccurate.
- ◆ Chairperson Barton expressed his concern that the revision was just received on September 5<sup>th</sup> without a site plan and that it was pointed out in the review process, that there should be consideration taken to install a traffic signal at the location. He also expressed concern with the issue that all of staff's comments have not been addressed.
- ◆ Chairperson Barton expressed concern with the easterly egress and the issue that the report only goes to 2020.
- ◆ Chairperson Barton stated that his biggest issue was the need to see the conditions before and what was recommended. He stated from his personal standpoint he did not feel that he could make a recommendation to move forward on this project.
  - A discussion ensued regarding the area, the need for a traffic signal and geometry.

Action

- ◆ Commissioner Lewis moved to accept staff's recommendations with the addition and addressing of the following:
  - That staff's comments be addressed.
  - Inclusion of a traffic signal.
  - That the traffic study overlap be address.
  - That the queuing and stacking is reviewed and addressed.
- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia seconded the motion.
- ◆ 5 voted in favor of accepting staff recommendations with the addition and addressing of the following:
  - That staff's comments be addressed.
  - Inclusion of a traffic signal.
  - That the traffic study overlap be address.
  - That the queuing and stacking is reviewed and addressed.
- ◆ One Commissioner voted to oppose the motion.
- ◆ Chairperson Barton added that he was firm that the comments need to be addressed.
- ◆ Gibson advised that the final outcomes would be brought back to the Commission.

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**Recommendation on the Suggested Route to School Maps and List of Recommended**

- ◆ Kendra Bridges of MHM gave an overview of the project, provided a presentation and the requested recommendations.
- ◆ Chairperson Barton added that there was a lot of effort put into this project by KOA and Alta Planning. He also stated there was a lot of participation

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by parents. He gave a KUDOS to Azzam Jabsheh who provided good, safe and practical suggestions and was also very impressed with KOA's and Alta's staff enthusiasm.

### Questions & Comments

- ◆ Bridges and Eisenbeisz answered questions and responded to comments from the Commission with regard to:
  - The Draft Engineering Operation Improvement Maps and where sidewalks were shown were for added sidewalks.
  - What the difference between the negative side of the picture (dark) and the positive (light) side of the picture with regard to the suggested walking routes to school.
  - If the schools were rated in terms of critical need and best practices.
  - If private schools could be intermingled into the plan.
  - If a school was proposed for the Renaissance area.
  - How parents are being educated so they are not driving their students to school to decongest the streets.
  - How long the project would continue, including with the education.
  - If Rialto PD or RUSD Safety would take over when the project was concluded.
    - A discussion ensued regarding what the next steps would be and how/who would continue to move the project forward.

### Suggestions, Requests & Recommendations

- ◆ Commissioner Lewis suggested intermingling private schools to allow for sharing and include Senior sites to transcend the project. Eisenbeisz advised that a grant application was submitted to add the private schools and the other schools that are within Rialto's School District but are in other jurisdictions.

### Action

- ◆ Commissioner Kirst moved to approve the suggested routes to schools maps and list of recommended infrastructure improvements to City Council for approval.
- ◆ Commissioner Henshaw seconded the motion.
- ◆ All voted in favor of approving the suggested routes to schools maps and list of recommended infrastructure improvements to City Council for approval.

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## ENGINEER'S REPORT

- ◆ Robert Eisenbeisz and Azzam Jabsheh reported on and answered questions on the following items:
  - Traffic Signal at Riverside Avenue and Linden Avenue.
  - Safety Project – Left Turn Phasing
  - Citywide Traffic Signal Clearance Intervals
  - Review of Accident Trends for Potential Safety Grants
  - Pepper Avenue Interchange
  - Ayala Drive Widening
  - RFP for Design of Cactus Channel Basin

- Current Traffic Advisories
- Alder Avenue Interchange Update will be presented at the October meeting.
- If the traffic signal at Ayala Drive and Renaissance Parkway would be converted to video detection
- Riverside Avenue at the SR-210 Timing Coordination
- Issue at Metrolink Crossings
- Riverside Traffic Signals South of the I-10
- Willow Avenue at Walmart utility poles
- Citywide Street Sweeping Program.

Commissioner Items/Requests

- ◆ Chairperson Barton reported that there was still some timing issues in the morning on southbound Riverside Avenue to Eastbound I-10.

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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- ◆ No new changes, additions or deletions.

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia – No Report
- ◆ Commissioner Lewis – No Report
- ◆ Commissioner Tidler – No Report.
- ◆ Commissioner Henshaw – No Report.
- ◆ Commissioner Kirst:
  - Made comment on the condition of the roadway on Riverside Avenue going eastbound and asked when that would be fixed.
  - Asked about the Street Light Acquisition.
  - Reported that the street lights on Riverside from Madrona north to the shopping center are out.
- ◆ Chairperson Barton – No Report.

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ADJOURNMENT

- ◆ Commissioner Tidler made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- ◆ Commissioner Lewis seconded the motion.
- ◆ The motion was carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.