

REGULAR MEETING of the TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES May 1, 2019

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, May 1, 2019.

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Allan Kirst called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Allan Kirst, Willa Henshaw, Kelvin Moore, Joshua Holeman and John Plasencia. Commissioner Johan Rodriguez provided notification that he would be absent. Ron Russo, Rialto Police Department; Azzam Jabshah, Traffic Engineer; John Dutrey, Housing Specialist, Moises Peralta, Assistant Engineer; and Michele Aguirre, Commission Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of April 3, 2019

- ◆ The minutes from the April 3rd meeting were reviewed by the Commission and approved as written.
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 3rd meeting as written.
- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia seconded the motion.
- ◆ The motion was carried to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2019 meeting as written.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

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POLICE DEPARTMENT LIAISON REPORT

Corporal Ron Russo provided an update on the following issues:

- ◆ Miro Way Parking issue that was discussed at the April 3rd meeting.
- ◆ Car parking issue on Locust Avenue north of Baseline Road.

Commissioner Issues:

- ◆ Commission Moore discussed a report he made on a car parked on Locust Avenue at Buena Vista Drive for several days.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Henshaw advised that she has encountered instances where a vehicle was pulled over on the Riverside Avenue Bridge and asked if they could make those stops further down the bridge for safety purposes.

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RUSD LIAISON REPORT

No Report.

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NEW BUSINESS

Focused Traffic Impact Analysis – Fuel Station and Fast Food Development on the North Side of Foothill Boulevard West of Larch Avenue

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Azzam Jabshah reviewed the staff report and recommendations for the item.

Questions & Comments

Jabshah and Robert Eisenbeisz answered questions and responded to comments from the Commission with regard to:

- ◆ Clarification on when the median would be constructed for the project.
 - A discussion ensued regarding when and how the median should be built and how it would be paid for.
- ◆ Clarification on what the Police Department (PD) is recommending for the median.

Suggestions, Requests or Recommendations

- ◆ Chairperson Kirst advised he agreed with the PD recommendation of constructing the median now. He suggested that median have a left turn pocket constructed for the access road and the main driveway would be right in/right out.

Action

- ◆ Commissioner Holeman made a motion to accept all of staff's recommendations with the inclusion of the condition of approval to construct the median now with a left turn pocket at the access road location and the main driveway as a right/in right out.
- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia seconded the motion.
- ◆ All voted in favor of accepting all of staff's recommendations with the inclusion of the condition of approval to construct the median now with a left turn pocket at the access road location and the main driveway as a right/in right out.

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

Azzam Jabshah reviewed the staff report and recommendations for the item.

Questions & Comments

Jabshah and Eisenbeisz answered questions and responded to comments from the Commission with regard to:

- ◆ If the driveways would be widened.
- ◆ How much truck traffic would be generated from the developments.
- ◆ What type of business is going to be there.

Concerns

- ◆ Chairperson Kirst advised that he was not sure that the overlap solves the problem of the eastbound right turn movement as there is already a significant amount of traffic in that area.

Suggestions, Requests or Recommendations

- ◆ Chairperson Kirst suggested that instead of a right turn overlap on Valley Boulevard, reconfiguring the lane to a shared through and right turn lane.
 - A discussion ensued regarding the possibilities for that lane. Eisenbeisz advised that the City could work with the applicant to determine better options.

Action

- ◆ Commissioner Moore made a motion to accept staff's recommendations and forward to City Council for approval with the inclusion of either a right turn overlap with fair share or modify the outer through lane into a through and right turn shared lane.
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman seconded the motion.
- ◆ All voted in favor of accepting staff's recommendations and forwarding the project to City Council for approval with the inclusion of either a right turn overlap lane with fair share on Valley Boulevard or modify the outer through lane into a through and right turn shared lane.

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ENGINEER'S REPORT

Eisenbeisz reported on the following items:

- ◆ Cracker Barrel Opening
- ◆ Overlay Projects
 - Merrill Avenue
 - Linden Avenue
 - Rialto Avenue
 - Valley Boulevard
- ◆ Zone 4 Slurry Seal Project
- ◆ Pepper Avenue at Winchester Drive Traffic Signal Request for Bids (RFB)
- ◆ Safety Improvement Project at Four (4) Locations for Installation of Left Turn Signals
- ◆ Safe Routes to Schools Project
- ◆ Safe Routes to Schools Grant Application Submittals

Jabsheh reported on the following Items:

- ◆ Traffic issue at Persimmon Street and Locust Avenue
 - Commissioner Holeman advised that he had pictures of the issue and would send them to Jabsheh.
 - A discussion ensued regarding potential resolutions.
- ◆ Rezoning of Maple Avenue
 - Commissioner Holeman requested that the outcome be brought back to the Commission.
- ◆ Takeover of Street Lights on Riverside

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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- ◆ Chairperson Kirst asked to keep the issue at Persimmon Street and Locust Avenue on the agenda until it is resolved.
- ◆ Linden Avenue road condition north of Casmalia Street
 - Eisenbeisz provided a reported on that location

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- ◆ Commissioner Plasencia – No Report
- ◆ Commissioner Moore – No Report
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman – No Report
- ◆ Vice Chairperson Henshaw – No Report
- ◆ Chairperson Kirst – No Report

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ADJOURNMENT

- ◆ Commissioner Moore made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- ◆ Commissioner Holeman seconded the motion.
- ◆ The motion was carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.