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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT STREETS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE / BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday May 23, 2017 Chaminade High School, West Hills Revised May 27, 2017

Those in attendance were: Anthony Brosamle, Barry Seybert, Dan Brin, Heidi Manning, Olivia Naturman, Steve Randall, Reeyan Raynes, Myrl Schreibman, Ron Sobel, Joan Trent, Brad Vanderhoof; and stakeholders; Steve Kallen, Matt Miller, Marty Olinick, Duke Ritter, Randy Ritter, and one anonymous.

Committee Co-Chair Antony Brosamle called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM. A quorum was established.

There were no changes to the February 2017 meeting minutes. The April 2017 meeting minutes were approved.

Numbers refer to agenda items:

- 3. Chair Comments: Barry reported dedicated left turn signals have been approved for the intersections at Vanowen and Platt, and Sherman Way and Shoup, but the projects are not funded. According to Anthony funding for traffic signal improvements is lagging project approval by about three years.
- 4. Public Comment: Stakeholder Duke Ritter discussed excessive speeding and the lack of traffic controls on the Platt hill. He compared the street to a nearby section of Pomelo which has speed humps and four stop signs. He would like to see a stop signal with a flashing light at Platt and Candlewood. Randy Ritter has taken pictures of offending cars. Matt Miller, who lived near Shoup and Vanowen for 25 years and has recently moved back to the area, reviewed the history of serious accidents at or near that intersection. He feels vehicle speeds are now significantly higher than they used to be. Marty Olinick asked if the WHNC is working with the WHWCNC concerning the Promenade site development as that will increase traffic in the area.
- 5. Vision Zero: Olivia reviewed the essential points of the Mayor's initiative. The Committee will approach Vision Zero in three areas; 1. Public awareness campaign on bus benches, 2. Partnership with LAPD Education Division to work in schools, 3. Installation of temporary interactive art displays at events where the WHNC has a presence. One of the goals of the Committee is to use outreach efforts to put pressure on the City Council to provide resources to areas not currently targeted in the Vision Zero plan. Anthony reviewed the discussion at the Conversations with Councils event. Anthony also mentioned he has noticed more Valley Traffic Division activity lately. Myrl suggested having El Camino Real High School theater arts students make a public service announcement that can be shown in local theaters. Marty Olinick commented insurance companies have a vested interest in this issue and suggested they could be enlisted for support. Matt Miller asked if the WHNC can apply for grants, and explained he works in the transportation field in Ventura County helping non-profits with grant applications.
- 6. Traffic Studies around Sherman Place: Anthony mentioned there is a full description of the background for this item on the WHNC Zoning and Planning Committee webpage. He also reported the Department of Transportation will be doing a complete evaluation of the intersection at Sherman Place and Medical Center Drive to determine the need for additional signage. Anthony presented Alec Uzemeck's idea of having

volunteers from the NC perform an informal traffic study. Reeyan has the assignment to work with Alec on a traffic study plan.

- 7. Rumble Strips: Anthony distributed a copy of a motion, date stamped MAY 16 2017, from 12th District Councilman Mitchell Englander, which begins, 'The Street Furniture Revenue Fund provides for transit related projects...' Barry reported the City Council had passed the motion earlier in the day. Matt Miller expressed the opinion that rumble strips on residential streets would be too loud. Anthony asked committee members to look at existing installations and think about potential spots they could help curb speeds in West Hills.
- 8. Traffic Surveys: Barry explained the relationship between traffic studies and speed enforcement. Brad informed the group the City Council has approved funding to update all the traffic surveys for all streets in the city, but it will take a few years. Anthony asked for, and Reeyan will compile, a list of streets the Committee can recommend for expedited surveys. All are invited to help with suggestions.
- 9. CIS for CF 17-0002-S7: Anthony distributed a resolution, date stamped JAN 11 2017, from 12th District Councilmember Mitchell Englander, which begins, 'WHEREAS, any official position...' Steve Kallen asked if the copy of the resolution can be shared outside of the meeting and the answer was yes, it is public information published by the office of the city clerk.

Reeyan made a motion to approve a CIS is support of the resolution. Barry seconded.

The motion was approved unanimously.

The Chairs will present a CIS at the June meeting of the WHNC Board of Directors

10. CIS for CF 17-0460: Anthony distributed a motion, date stamped APR 21 2017, from 13th District Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, which begins, 'in some areas of the City, drivers are parking their vehicles on the parkway...'

Anthony called for a vote to approve a CIS in support of the motion.

Ayes -8, Noes -2, Abstain -1; The CIS was approved.

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- 11. Protected Left-hand Turn Signals: The need for a traffic signal at Platt and Candlewood was discussed. Anthony will work on a proposal. Committee members and other interested parties should email their comments to the co-chairs.
- 12. IVY Academia: Reeyan and Steve Kallen reviewed a meeting they attended earlier that night to address the issue of CUP violations. Steve also reported portable speed humps have been purchased for installation on the campus.
- 13. Speed Humps: Reeyan reported the time period for submissions is closed and DOT should begin working through the list of locations shortly.
- 14. Metro Bus Parking: Tabled until June
- 15. Haynes Street Bridge: No updates.
- 16. Committee operating Rules: After discussion and the identification of some errors, the item was tabled until June.

Committee Co-Chair Anthony Brosamle adjourned the meeting at 9:29 PM.

The next meeting of this committee will be held on: Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 7:30 PM, Chaminade High School Condon Center, second floor conference room.