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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD and STREETS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.

In conformity with the September 16, 2021, enactment of California Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas) and due to concerns over Covid-19, the West Hills Neighborhood Council meeting will be conducted entirely with a call-in option or internet based service option. All are invited to attend and participate.

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Call to Order and Roll Call Comments from the Co-Chair(s) Announcements

Public Comments on matters of committee jurisdiction not on the agenda (2 minutes)

- 1. **Discussion and Possible Action:** on Safety Solutions for Welby Way school crosswalk at Lederer Ave. & Kittredge St.
- 2. **Discussion and Possible Action:** on Speeding Speed Tables and 3D Crosswalks for speeding mitigation.
- 3. **Discussion and Possible Action:** on Pedestrian Flags
- 4. **Discussion and Possible Action:** on drafting a letter, requesting John Lee, CD12 allocate \$100,000 from his office's discretionary funds to pay police overtime to support specialized enforcement against street racing and speeding in his district. As requested in CD3.
- 5. **Discussion and Possible Action:** on drafting a letter requesting John Lee, CD12 request LADOT decrease speed limit on Valley Circle Blvd. and Roscoe Blvd. by 5mph, under Mayor's Executive Directive No. 10, the Governor signing AB43 and the WHNC Streets & Transportation Committee's continued support of AB43

- 6. **Discussion and Possible Action:** Creation of a NC Alliance on Traffic Safety
- 7. **Adjournment**

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SPECIAL JOINT BOARD and STREETS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC MEETING MINUTES

January 18, 2022 Revised January 18, 2022

Attendance: Faye Barta, Dan Brin, Bob Brostoff, Bonnie Klea, Heidi Manning, Steve Randall,

Anthony Scearce, Myrl Schreibman, and Brad Vanderhoof

Absent: Brian Begun, Thomas Booth, Tariq El-Atrache, and Joan Trent

Other WHNC Board members in attendance: Glenn Jennings, Saif Mogri, and Rosi Mariconda

Guests: Aaron Schwartzbart

Committee Co-chair Anthony Scearce called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM. A quorum was established.

Comments from the Co-Chair(s): Anthony said it seems to him like there are daily accidents in or around West Hills and we need new solutions.

Announcements: None

Public Comments on matters of committee jurisdiction not on the agenda: Aaron Schwartzbart from Motor City Ministries said they just celebrated their 20th anniversary working with the LAPD on an anti-street-racing program for teens. Unfortunately they can only reach about one in one-thousand who need the program.

Numbers refer to agenda items.

- 1. General Speeding Solutions: Anthony said the problem is not just teenagers. Heidi asked if the extra patrols on Valley Circle are still in effect and Anthony replied they expired. Bob suggested a survey of West Hills to determine where left turn lanes and left turn arrows are needed. Dan asked if there has been feedback on technological solutions previously suggested by the committee. Anthony said he was told the infared sensors will not be considered but he will ask again. Dan also said the committee could recommend "road diets" but that is a controversial subject. Steve said this issue was discussed at a recent CPAB meeting and LAPD is aware of the problems. He also West Hills is on the list for extra traffic attention but LAPD is short handed. Steve said he likes speed feedback signs. Saif asked about the request for stop signs on Vanowen between Platt and Valley Circle. Fave said people do not stop at the stop signs in her neighborhood. Dan said we should ask again for a traffic circle at Platt and Vanowen. Myrl said images make an impression and asked if we could find traffic safety videos and show them in schools. Anthony said drivers education is no longer taught in schools and is not required for anyone over the age of eighteen. Anthony described a new DOT program to paint highly visible crosswalks that create a three dimensional effect. He asked if the committee would support requesting an intersection in West Hills be included in the evaluation. Rosi asked if we could try and have a guest speaker at a school assembly. Faye asked if we could have a traffic safety forum with accident victims telling their stories similar to the active shooter forum. Anthony will investigate 3d crosswalks, a roundabout, and infrared sensors.
- 3. Speed Tables for speeding mitigation and suggested locations: Anthony presented the concept of speed tables. This will be on next month's agenda.

2. Creation of a NC Alliance on Speeding: Anthony wants to create an NC alliance of Valley NCs because speaking together has more impact.

Myrl moved to have the Committee investigate establishing an alliance of NCs on traffic safety in the Valley. Bob seconded.

Roll call vote on the amendment;

Faye Barta – Yes, Brian Begun – Absent, Thomas Booth – Absent, Dan Brin – Yes, Bob Brostoff – Yes, Tariq El-Atrache – Absent, Bonnie Klea – Yes, Heidi Manning – Yes, Steve Randall – Yes, Anthony Scearce – Yes, Myrl Schreibman – Yes, Joan Trent – Absent, Brad Vanderhoof – Yes Yes – 9, No – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 4, Recusal – 0

The motion passes.

- 4. Pedestrian Flags: Item tabled to February.
- 5. LAX Noise Roundtable: Item tabled to February.

Committee Co-chair Anthony Scearce adjourned the meeting at 8:24 PM.

The next meeting of this committee will be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 7:30 PM.













New speed tables are in place on Riverside Dr at Riverdale Ave in CD13! LADOT crews recently installed these safety enhancements to help control speeds in the area. #DidYouKnow that speed tables are wider and flatter than speed humps?



Please Cross Street Safely!

- Grab a flag to be seen
- 2. Wait for traffic to stop and then cross the street
- 3. Give a thank you wave!
- 4. Put the flag on the other side





Pedestrian Flags.

Here's how it works: Flags on sticks sit in holders at opposite sides of a crosswalk. A pedestrian takes a flag – usually bright orange or yellow -





- and uses it to wave at cars while he or she is crossing the crosswalk. That helps get the attention of people driving. When the walker is safely on the other side, he or she deposits the flag at an identical bucket for the next person to use.







Flags can also be used to help with traffic at drop off and pickup locations at schools.

Streets & Transportation Committee-WHNC



Speed Limit Reductions Council District 12



- 1. Balboa Blvd between Rinaldi St. & Victory Blvd. reduced from 40 to 35 MPH
- 2. Bell Canyon Rd between Valley Circle & Overland Dr. reduced from 45 to 40 MPH
 - 3. Highlander Rd between Platt Ave. & Valley Circle reduced from 35 to 30 MPH
 - 4. Lindley Ave. between Nordhoff St. & Ventura Blvd. reduced from 40 to 35 MPH
 - 5. Nordhoff Way between Nordhoff St. & Corbin Ave. reduced from 45 to 40 MPH
 - 6. Reseda Blvd. between Rinaldi St. & Devonshire St. reduced from 45 to 40 MPH
 - 7. Sherman Way between Shoup Ave. & Platt Ave. reduced from 40 to 35 MPH
 - 8. Vanowen St. between Haskell Ave. & Valley Circle reduced from 40 to 35 MPH
 - 9. Victory Blvd. between Shoup Ave. & Valley Circle reduced from 45 to 40 MPH
- 10. Wilbur Ave. between Tampa Ave. & Devonshire St. reduced from 45 to 40 MPH
- 11. Wilbur Ave. between Devonshire St. & Nordhoff St. reduced from 45 to 40 MPH
- 12. Winnetka Ave. between Devonshire St. & Nordhoff St. reduced from 45 to 40 MPH
- 13. Winnetka Ave. between Nordhoff St. & Ventura Blvd. reduced from 40 to 35 MPH
 - 14. Woodley Ave. between Balboa Blvd. & Rinaldi St. reduced from 35 to 30 MPH
- 15. Zelzah Ave. between Chatsworth St. & Nordhoff St. reduced from 45 to 40 MPH