

**TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
DRAFT MINUTES  
August 16, 2023  
6:30 P.M.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Kroll called the meeting to order at 6:30.

**A. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Alexander Bazley, Adam Kroll, David Warren, Dan Wentzel, Jessica Harris\*

**Absent:** Kimberly Winick

*\*Commissioner Harris arrived after official Roll Call at 6:34pm.*

**Also Present:**

Bob Cheung, Senior Transportation Planner/Staff Liaison

Gabriele Gonzales, Transportation and Mobility Commission Secretary

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Kevin Burton led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

*Commissioner Eichman requested the meeting adjourned in honor of Richard Settle.*

*SUBJECT: The Transportation Commission is requested to approve the Agenda.*

**ACTION: Motion by Chair Kroll to approve the August 16, 2023 Agenda, seconded by Eichman and approved.**

**All Aye**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*SUBJECT: The Transportation Commission is requested to approve the minutes of prior Transportation Commission meeting.*

**ACTION:** Approve the minutes of July 19, 2023 with the following corrections;

*Change Commissioner Darvish's comments to requested specified verbiage.*

**Motion by Kroll, seconded by Eichman and approved.**

**All Aye.**

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Kelly Pilarski**, WEST HOLLYWOOD, requested for the geo locating technology for the city to be looked into, to provide safer micro mobility option for City of West Hollywood.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR:** None.

7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None.
8. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.
9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Receive and file from Bob Cheung**

**A. Santa Monica Boulevard Protected Bicycle Lanes Feasibility Study Update**

**Bob Cheung** presented an update on the Santa Monica Boulevard Protected Bicycle Lanes Feasibility Study.

**Commissioner Wentzel**

- Not in favor of harming transit for bike lanes.
- Inquired about possible bump indicators
- Requested clarification of the history route 66 pedestrian and streetcar traffic
- Confirming the study is not ruling out bike lanes on the east side of Santa Monica Boulevard.

**Commissioner Darvish**

- Questioned if the parallel streets to Santa Monica Boulevard were studied for possible additional bike lanes.

**Commissioner Eichman**

- Inquired on the process for the volume count on bicyclist and if scooters are included in count.

**Chair Kroll**

- Requested clarification on contracts with consultants.
- Inquired about raised bike lanes as possibility.
- Inquired about looking into data of removing bike lanes increases business commerce.

**Commissioner Harris**

- Asked for clarification on a presentation slide of a bike lane on north or south side and median work affects.
- Inquired about loading/unloading zones, ride share zones and current outdoor dining applications.
- Inquired if this construction will coincide with Metro construction alongside Santa Monica Boulevard and impacts.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Kelly Pilarski**, West Hollywood Bicycle Coalition, spoke in favor of study.

## **B. Fountain Avenue Protected Bicycle Lanes Study Update**

**Bob Cheung** presented an update on the Fountain Avenue Protected Bicycle Lanes Study Update.

### **Commissioner Eichman**

- Inquired on working with Los Angeles about reduction of parking since on the border between the two cities.
- Asked for clarification on road reduction on Fountain and if reversible will even be possible and how impacted the road congestion will be.

### **Commissioner Darvish**

- Spoke in favor of the study
- Inquired if research was done by looking at other cities with space limitations and raised platform for cars.

### **Commissioner Wentzel**

- Spoke in favor of the study and on the importance on lowering the speed on Fountain.
- Inquired if Fountain would be possible for the speed cameras.
- Inquired about adjustments being made during the study's pilot build.

### **Commissioner Harris**

- Spoke in favor of the study.
- Asked for clarification of phase one being the study's pilot and its elements.
- Asked for clarification on what standards the study's pilot is using to determine success or failure.
- Inquired on home and parking ratio along Fountain.

### **Chair Kroll**

- Spoke in favor and importance of the study.

### **Commissioner Bazley**

- Inquired about LA's vision for Fountain in terms of bike lanes and infrastructure.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Peter Spirer**, West Hollywood Bicycle Coalition, spoke in support of the study. Commented importance to know if cut through traffic will be reduced, the city should monitor traffic origin and destination during phase one of pilot. Information on what will be a quick build and permanent in phase one of pilot and that a presentation be made to the Disabilities Advisory Board for ADA compliancy with the sidewalks.

**10. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**11. ITEMS FROM STAFF:**

**Bob Cheung**

- Annual Congress on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at Council Chamber at 6:30pm.
- La Brea Bus Priority Lane press conference and ribbon cutting will be on August 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Docusign will be sent for stipend.
- Next meeting agenda will have a presentation on neighborhood traffic and Dockless Mobility.

**12. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**13. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS | SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Commissioner Darvish**

- Ask to look at guidelines for more visual consistency for roundabouts.

**Commissioner Wentzel**

- Commented that a senior from the public had an issue with colors of the lanterns and traffic lights.

**Commissioner Bazley**

- Thanks to the public for attending and staff for presentation.

**Chair Kroll**

- Inquired about learning more about process for permit parking.

**14. ADJOURNMENT:** The Transportation and Mobility Commission adjourned at 8:54 PM in memory of Richard Settle to a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, September 20, 2023 beginning at 6:30 PM at the Community Conference Room, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood 90069.

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THIS  
20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF September 2023.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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Staff Liaison

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