

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2022**

**1. OPENING CEREMONIES**

- a. A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Traffic Commission was called to order by Chair Kurata at 6:02 p.m. Pursuant to Executive Order N-08-21 issued by Governor Newsom and AB361, the public and Commission participated in this meeting in person and via Zoom.
- b. The following Commissioners responded to the roll call by Deputy City Clerk Abbott (via Zoom): Commissioners Carmody and Cozzolino, and Chair Kurata (all participated via Zoom). Also present were Administrative Analyst Bucklew, L.A. County Traffic Engineer Dykstra, and Sheriff's Deputy Kellogg (participated via Zoom); and Public Works Director Dillon (in Upstairs Assembly Room).

**Present:** Carmody, Cozzolino, Vice-Chair Ballard (arrived via Zoom at 6:11 p.m.), and Chair Kurata

**Absent:** Mattingly

**2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no requests from the public to speak on Consent Agenda items or subjects other than those scheduled.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – June 15, 2022

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve the minutes.

Commissioner Cozzolino made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Carmody, to approve the minutes.

**MOTION CARRIED** by the following vote:

AYES: Carmody, Cozzolino, and Chair Kurata

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mattingly and Vice-Chair Ballard

**SCHEDULED MATTERS**

4. **DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ADDITIONAL SIGNING AND STRIPING ON 262ND STREET BETWEEN ESHELMAN AVENUE AND WESTERN AVENUE**

Public Works Director Dillon presented the staff report as per the agenda material. Some residents are concerned about speeding along that stretch of road.

Deputy Kellogg stated that Lomita Station will start focusing on enforcement of the speed limit there.

Commission consensus was that additional signage and striping would have little effect and is not worth the cost to the City.

Vice-Chair Ballard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Carmody, to recommend no sign and striping changes on 262nd Street between Eshelman Avenue and Western Avenue.

**MOTION CARRIED** by the following vote:

AYES: Carmody, Cozzolino, Vice-Chair Ballard, and Chair Kurata  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Mattingly

Director Dillon stated that a City traffic calming evaluation is coming up and Eshelman Avenue will be part of it. The City's Technical Traffic Advisory Commission (TTAC) will continue to monitor that stretch of 262nd Street and work with Lomita Station on enforcement efforts.

There was brief discussion of traffic cushion installation criteria.

**5. SHERIFF DEPARTMENT UPDATES** - Informational only, no staff report.

Deputy Kellogg had nothing to report.

**6. STAFF UPDATES** - Informational only, no staff report.

Director Dillon shared a map of commercial truck routes in the City, including Lomita Boulevard, as follow-up to a question from Vice-Chair Ballard at the June 2022 meeting.

**7. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF FORMING A SUBCOMMITTEE OF TWO (2) COMMISSION MEMBERS FOR PURPOSES OF CONSIDERING CHANGES TO FUTURE "FOLLOW ME, I'M GANG & DRUG FREE" WALK DETAILS/THEMES TO RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COUNCIL** (no staff report)

Deputy City Clerk Abbott briefly outlined the role of a subcommittee.

Chair Kurata shared some ideas for new themes for the annual event. She would like to reach out to teachers to find out the most relevant issues for students today, and to Lomita Station deputies to get their feedback.

Vice-Chair Ballard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Carmody, to form a subcommittee consisting of Chair Kurata and Commissioner Cozzolino for purposes of researching alternative themes to recommend to City Council for the annual Anti-Gang/Drug-Free Walk for Lomita area fifth graders.

**MOTION CARRIED** by the following vote:

AYES: Carmody, Cozzolino, Vice-Chair Ballard, and Chair Kurata

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mattingly

## **OTHER MATTERS**

### **8. COMMISSIONER ITEMS**

Commissioner Carmody shared concerns about changes to California jaywalking laws. Chair Cammarata stated that the changes are meant to ticket only those jaywalkers who are creating a hazard.

Commissioner Carmody inquired as to whether the City's water production facility was back in operation. Director Dillon stated that the contractor is still doing work, but hopefully the startup testing process will begin next month. Commissioner Carmody asked if the City was still looking into a second well. Director Dillon stated that the City has funds to evaluate that possibility but is very early into the process.

Commissioner Cozzolino reported on items discussed at two recent City Council meetings:

- Water Rates Study
- City Council Districts in Lomita
- Accessory Dwelling Units and State Regulations
- Sober Living Homes in the City

Commissioner Carmody had a question about parking near intersections. Director Dillon suggested he call the City's Parking Enforcement team.

### **9. COMMISSIONERS TO ATTEND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Commissioner Carmody will attend the Tuesday, November 1, 2022, City Council meeting; Chair Kurata will attend the Tuesday, November 15, 2022, City Council meeting.

### **10. ADJOURNMENT**

As there was no further business to discuss, Chair Kurata adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.



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Linda E. Abbott, CMC, Deputy City Clerk