

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING
LOMITA PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2019**

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

a. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Traffic Commission was called to order by Chair Kurata at 6:00 p.m. on March 20, 2019, in the Lomita City Hall Council Chambers, 24300 Narbonne Avenue.

b. FLAG SALUTE

Chair Kurata led the flag salute.

c. ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners responded to the roll call by recording Secretary Paz: Commissioners Ballard and Sloane, Vice-Chair Carmody, and Chair Kurata. Also present were Public Works Director Dillon, L.A. County Traffic Engineer Guilmette, and Deputy Despot.

Present: Commissioners: Ballard, Sloane, Carmody, Kurata

Absent: Commissioner Cozzolino

Commissioner Cozzolino arrived at the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Lomita resident, Dawn O'Neil, 24632 Moon Avenue, spoke in regards to her request for changing the street sweeping time restriction on her street. Her comments were that there was insufficient parking on her street and the east side of Moon Avenue posting is on Wednesday from 6:00 a.m. till 8:00 a.m. She stated that the early time frame and lack of parking spots on Moon Avenue are a burden to her and her neighbors. She requested the street sweeping time restriction be changed to Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. till 10:00 a.m.

Chair Kurata stated the commission could not discuss or make decisions on items that are not on the agenda. She also stated that the item would be recorded in the minutes and that it could be placed on a future agenda for discussion.

Ms. O'Neil asked if she could be notified of the future meeting.

Lomita resident, Harry Madera, 25111 Eshelman Avenue, spoke in regards to a change in the street sweeping restriction days and times on his street. He stated that he was not aware of the changes nor was he notified by the City of the changes. Mr. Madera stated he is opposed to changing the signs and has requested that the changes be stopped so

he may appeal the change of street sweeping days and times on Eshelman Avenue. Chair Kurata responded that in order to discuss and make a decision on Mr. Madera's request it would need to go on a future agenda.

Director Dillon stated that notice has been given and there is a 30 day appeal process.

Mr. Madera asked about the process for the appeal and was instructed by Public Works Director Dillon accordingly.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 20, 2019

Commissioner Sloane made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Carmody recommending the commission approve the minutes.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES:	Commissioners: Ballard, Cozzolino, Sloane, Vice-Chair Carmody, Chair Kurata
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

SCHEDULED MATTERS

4. REQUEST FOR RED CURB AT 25314 MONTEREY CIRCLE

Director Dillon reported that the request came from a resident asking for a red curb near a small fire hydrant. The fire hydrant is surrounded by landscaping making it not very visible. For that reason the Technical Traffic Advisory Committee (TTAC) is recommending that a 30 foot red curb be painted at the location.

Traffic Engineer Guilmette conducted a field review of the location and she concurs with the recommendation.

Commissioner Ballard made a motion, seconded by commissioner Sloane recommending the commission recommend City Council approval of installation of a 30 foot red curb in front of the fire hydrant at 25314 Monterey Circle.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES:	Commissioners: Ballard, Cozzolino, Sloane, Vice-Chair Carmody, Chair Kurata
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

5. DISCUSSION AND UPDATE ON ANNUAL ANTI-GANG AND DRUG FREE WALK

Chair Kurata asked for an update of the event from Secretary Paz.

Secretary Paz confirmed the date of the event as Thursday, May 2, 2019, and stated that the posters and flyers have been delivered to the schools. She also stated that the sponsorship letters have been prepared and if approved tonight the letters will go out no later than Monday, April 1, 2019.

Chair Kurata stated that the April meeting will include judging of the posters and to please allow for extra time.

OTHER MATTERS

6. COMMISSIONER ITEMS

Commissioner Carmody asked about recycling in the City in regards to recycling and regular trash being mixed in together.

Director Dillon stated she did not have a definitive answer and was aware of recent changes but she would clarify and let the commission know.

Commissioner Carmody mentioned the changes at the Sheriff's headquarters and asked Deputy Despot how the changes have affected the Lomita station.

Deputy Despot stated that currently there are no issues at Lomita Station and everything is good as far as he is concerned.

Commissioner Sloane reported that the March 5, 2019, city council meeting was cancelled. He stated that at the last meeting a request for a red curb on Narbonne Avenue south of 240th street was tabled. He asked about a report or an update regarding the request.

Director Dillon stated she has contacted the Community and Economic Development Department and the report was still in process at this time.

Commissioner Cozzolino commented in reference to the red curb on Narbonne Avenue request that he has driven past the location on several occasions. He suggested that other commissioners do the same at different times of the day to get a perspective of the resident's request. He also attended the March 19, 2019, city council meeting.

Commissioner Ballard thanked Director Dillon for the repaired street light in his neighborhood. He also commented on the red curb on Narbonne Avenue south of 240th Street.

7. COMMISSIONERS TO ATTEND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 2, 2019 – Commissioner Carmody
Tuesday, April 16, 2019 – Commissioner Sloane

8. STAFF ITEMS – ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director Dillon addressed a previous request regarding traffic control and safety items for the blind and hearing impaired. She requested Traffic Engineer Guilmette speak on the subject of said items.

Traffic Engineer Guilmette stated that the US Access Board guides the county along with CALTRANS and at this time there is no requirement for all locations to be enhanced with said items. Each request is reviewed on a case by case basis to address concerns and needs at the location. The standard equipment cost is about \$30,000 per traffic signal.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Kurata adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

ATTEST:



Lety Moreno-Paz
Administrative Clerk III