

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2019
6:00 P.M.**

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 Wednesday, June 19, 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 Deputy City Clerk Abbott: Commissioners Cozzolino 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: Cozzolino, Sloane, Vice-Chair Carmody, and Chair Kurata

Absent: Commissioner: Ballard

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There were no oral communications from the public.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 15, 2019

Vice-Chair Carmody said it was his understanding that staff was to implement a system to update the commission on issues raised during meetings. Chair Kurata suggested that staff include a document with updates regarding ongoing issues (and the contact information for interested residents) as part of each agenda.

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

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

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

SCHEDULED MATTERS

4. DOWNTOWN PARKING AND NARBONNE STRIPING

Director Dillon presented the item and stated that the parking plan aims to add consistency and options for business customers with more on-street parking and slower traffic. She added that existing disabled parking spaces would remain and that loading zones time limits may be standardized.

Traffic Engineer Guilmette stated this is more conceptual than an official plan at this point. Both Director Dillon and Traffic Engineer Guilmette responded to commissioner questions.

MOTION:

Commissioner Sloane made a motion, seconded by Chair Kurata that the Public Safety & Traffic Commission (PSTC) recommend to City Council to: 1) Formally accept the existing striping configuration along Narbonne Ave., from Lomita Blvd. to Pacific Coast Highway; 2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement for the design and engineering to re-stripe Narbonne Ave. from 245th St. to 243rd St., eliminating the middle turn lane and south side red curb to permit on-street parking; 3) Create a Downtown Parking Plan specifically for the portions of Lomita Blvd. and Narbonne Ave. which fall into the Downtown Commercial zone, to create specific loading areas, limit on-street parking to two hours, and limit parking in City-owned lots to three hours; and 4) Direct staff to report back to the commission on Council's final decisions regarding downtown parking and Narbonne striping.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners: Sloane, Vice-Chair Carmody, and Chair Kurata
NOES: Commissioner: Cozzolino
ABSENT: Ballard

5. REVIEW OF DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Director Dillon presented a brief review of duties and responsibilities of the commission and responded to questions.

OTHER MATTERS

6. COMMISSIONER ITEMS

Commissioner Sloane remarked that Council discussed the City's water quality at the June 18, 2019 meeting. He said the commission could provide useful input on water matters in the future, as they would like to be more involved in issues pertaining to the health and safety of the community.

Vice-Chair Carmody asked the cost of a street sweeping ticket in Lomita and requested a copy of the schedule. He also asked about the semi truck parked on Eshelman and parking along Pacific Coast Highway.

Chair Kurata said National Night Out (at City Hall Tuesday, August 6, 2019) is an opportunity for the community to show its appreciation to the Sheriff's Department.

Commissioner Sloane reported on his attendance at the June 18, 2019, Council meeting. He said there was a presentation regarding the Mayor's Cup Golf Tournament, discussion about the City's water wells, and a report about helping people get jobs in Lomita. He also stated that the Chamber of Commerce has been re-established in Lomita, and that Founders Day is Saturday, June 29, 2019. He then said he would be attending the Sheriff's Department Town Hall Tuesday, June 25, 2019, and that he would report back to the commission.

Commissioner Cozzolino reported on his attendance at the June 4, 2019, Council meeting. He said the garbage contract and the City's Landscape Maintenance District were discussed, and Commissioner Sloane was reappointed to the PSTC.

7. COMMISSIONERS TO ATTEND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, July 2, 2019 – cancelled

Tuesday, July 16, 2019 – Commissioner Cozzolino

8. STAFF ITEMS – ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no staff announcements.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Kurata adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

ATTEST:



Linda E. Abbott
Deputy City Clerk