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Committee

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Transportation & Infrastructure Committee Meeting Agenda
Thursday, May 13, 2021 – 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Zoom Meeting Online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84188897855>

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**
 - a. Call to Order
 - b. Roll Call
- II. **INTRODUCTIONS (5 minutes)**
 - a. Introductions and Welcome
- III. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (10 minutes)**
 - a. Limited to non-agenda items – subjects related to transportation and infrastructure issues (up to 2 minutes per speaker, time permitting)
- IV. **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
 - a. Committee member updates (10 minutes)

- b. **UPDATE** from Jay Greenstein, Council District 5 Transportation Deputy (if available)
- c. **DISCUSSION** regarding street sweeping changes
- d. **DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION** on Council File [17-1183-S1](#) regarding speed limits on Overland Avenue *[See supplementals for draft community impact statement]*
- e. **DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION** on Council File [21-0002-S106](#) regarding parking minimums *[See supplementals for draft community impact statement, copied from Los Feliz NC]*
- f. **DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION** on Council File [21-0002-S80](#) regarding a state bill to allow automated speed enforcement in school zones *[See supplementals for draft community impact statement]*
- g. **DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION** on Council File [20-1074](#) regarding the Los Angeles al fresco dining program *[See supplementals for draft community impact statement]*
- h. **DISCUSSION** regarding [Media Park Revitalization](#) and accessibility from Palms

V. Adjournment

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SI REQUIERE SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION, FAVOR DE NOTIFICAR A LA OFICINA 3 DIAS DE TRABAJO (72 HORAS) ANTES DEL

EVENTO. SI NECESITA ASISTENCIA CON ESTA NOTIFICACION, POR FAVOR LLAME A NUESTRA OFICINA AL secretary@palmsnc.la

Title: Olympic Boulevard / Century Park East / Sepulveda Boulevard / Overland Avenue / Pico Boulevard / Palms Boulevard / Washington Boulevard / Electronic Speed Enforcement / Los Angeles Municipal Code / Amendment

Position: Oppose

This motion proposes increasing the speed limit on Overland Blvd so electronic speed enforcement can be applied. The Palms Neighborhood Council thinks that speeds through our community are fast enough. We'd prefer enforcing the speed limits we have rather than increasing them. We understand that electronic speed enforcement cannot be implemented without the increase in speed limit due to prevailing speeds. We also understand that our densely populated neighborhood is increasing in density and increasing speed limits will lead to more problems that will be solved by the electronic enforcement. The Palms Neighborhood Council opposes this motion.

Title: AB 1401 (Friedman) / Minimum Parking Requirements Prohibition / Major Transit Stops / High-Quality Transit Corridor

Position: Support

The Palms Neighborhood Council supports making the Al Fresco dining program permanent. While the program originated as a much-needed response to the COVID-19 health crisis and its negative impacts on our restaurant industry, its success has demonstrated that our built environment can be reimagined and activated to center people.

The legislative analyst's office recently reported on the challenges and work required to make the program permanent. That report highlights that, at the root of many of those challenges, such a program would be popular and for that reason may be disruptive. We see this as a positive, and encourage you to continue to pursue creative approaches to reclaim our public space for the enjoyment of all of the community.

Draft Community Impact Statement, Council File 21-0002-S80

Title: SB 735 (Rubio) / Traffic Speed Safety System / Speed Limits Enforcement / School Zone

Position: Support

Speeding is a major problem in Los Angeles. Automated enforcement is a proven method for ensuring speed laws are followed, reducing injuries and deaths. Therefore, the Palms Neighborhood Council supports Council File 21-0002-S80.

Title: AB 1401 (Friedman) / Minimum Parking Requirements Prohibition / Major Transit Stops / High-Quality Transit Corridor

Position: Oppose

Whereas 14 percent of LA County's incorporated land is devoted to parking and more space is devoted to parked cars than driven cars; parking infrastructure takes up about 200 square miles of land in LA county, which is 1.4 times greater than the 140 square miles of land taken up by streets and freeways,

Whereas Los Angeles is facing a climate and affordable housing crisis which are coupled, and faces rising temperatures, as well as housing prices,

Whereas adding parking to a housing development can cost an additional \$27,000 to \$36,000 per unit,

Whereas parking mandates facilitate increases in population density to move in lockstep with increases in vehicles, because new dwelling units will automatically include parking spaces,

Whereas eliminating mandated parking minimums would allow for smaller, less expensive projects on pockets of undeveloped or underdeveloped urban land near transit,

Whereas stringent parking requirements serve to block higher-density multifamily housing and lower-income housing,

Whereas the reasoning put forth by the Mayor and Councilmember Paul Koretz that “high-income tenants ... use the transit services provided far less frequently” is insufficient to continue this mandate that reinforces our dependence on fossil fuels and increasing costs of housing developments,

Whereas the preferences of high-income residents should not serve as a perfunctory barrier to increasing investment in public transit, car-sharing programs, bike paths, and safe slow streets,

Whereas developers will still be free to provide parking notwithstanding this bill,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council OPPOSES the resolution to oppose AB 1401 which would prohibit Minimum Parking Requirements within 0.5 miles of a transit hub.