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PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Transportation & Infrastructure Committee Meeting Agenda

Thursday, March 10, 2022 – 7:30 pm

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I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

a. Call to Order

b. Roll Call

II. INTRODUCTIONS

- a. Introductions and Welcome
 - III. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**
 - a. Limited to non-agenda items – subjects related to transportation and infrastructure issues
 - IV. **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
 - a. Committee member updates
 - b. **UPDATE** from Jay Greenstein, Council District 5 Transportation Deputy (if available)
 - c. **DISCUSSION** and **POSSIBLE ACTION** regarding support of Slow Streets Phase 2 in Palms [see supplementals for draft letter of support]
 - d. **DISCUSSION** and **POSSIBLE ACTION** on letter regarding Safe Streets for All and the implementation of the 2035 Mobility Plan [see supplementals for draft]
 - e. **DISCUSSION** and **POSSIBLE ACTION** on council file 15-0719-S19, regarding the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program [see supplementals for draft CIS]
 - f. **PRESENTATION** and **DISCUSSION** of walkability signs project, with Jessalyn Walker
 - g. **PRESENTATION** and **DISCUSSION** regarding the installation of stop signs in the neighborhood, with Jessalyn Walker
 - V. **Adjournment**
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EVENTO. SI NECESITA ASISTENCIA CON ESTA NOTIFICACION, POR FAVOR LLAME A NUESTRA OFICINA AL secretary@palmsnc.la

Kevin Ocubillo, LADOT

The Palms Neighborhood Council supports the implementation of the second phase of the Slow Streets program in Palms. Specifically, we support the implementation of semi-permanent infrastructure along the following corridors, as outlined in Kevin Ocubillo's materials and presentation:

- Keystone Avenue, between Rose Avenue and Palms Boulevard
- Woodbine Street, between Motor Avenue and Jasmine Avenue
- Tabor Street, between Overland Avenue and Dunn Drive
- Regent Street, between Overland Avenue and Dunn Drive
- Mentone Avenue, between Palms Boulevard and Venice Boulevard
- Vinton Avenue, between Palms Boulevard and Venice Boulevard
- Dunn Drive, between Tabor Street and Venice Boulevard

Mayor Eric Garcetti
Councilmember Paul Koretz
Seleta Reynolds, General Manager, LADOT
Keith Mozee, General Manager, StreetsLA

[DATE]

Dear City of Los Angeles Leaders,

WHEREAS on August 11, 2015, the Los Angeles City Council overwhelmingly approved [Mobility Plan 2035](#) as an update to the City's General Plan Transportation Element;

WHEREAS the Mobility Plan calls for the construction of a connected network of pedestrian and bicycle routes, transit routes, and vehicle routes with the goal of creating a complete street network to support streets as public places for the safe utilization for all modes of transportation;

WHEREAS on August 25, 2015, the Mayor issued [Executive Directive No. 10](#), a Vision Zero program with the goal of eliminating all traffic fatalities and severe injuries by 2025, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all;

WHEREAS each year, more than 200 people lose their lives while traveling on City streets;

WHEREAS traffic collisions are a leading cause of death for children in the City, and despite our Vision Zero efforts, our City continues to have a pedestrian fatality rate nearly four times the national average;

WHEREAS [the Los Angeles Police Department reports](#) that in 2021, 289 people were killed in traffic collisions (a 21% increase) and 1,465 were severely injured (a 30% increase), 486 pedestrians were severely injured by drivers (a 35% increase), 128 pedestrians were killed (a 6% increase), cyclists' injuries rose by 22% and cyclist deaths rose by 13%;

WHEREAS despite studies finding that complete streets, such as those called for in the Mobility Plan, lower traffic fatality rates for all road users, the City has implemented only 95 of the 3,137 lane miles (3%) called for in the Mobility Plan;

WHEREAS the City has one of the highest rates of childhood asthma in the country and the Los Angeles Basin ranks worst in the nation for year-round ozone emissions and fifth for particle pollution;

WHEREAS making other environmentally friendly modes of transportation safer and more appealing by implementing the Mobility Plan's Enhanced Complete Street System is a critical piece of combatting the effects of climate change and preserving the quality of the air we breathe;

WHEREAS City residents want streets to be safe, stress-free places for people of all ages and all modes of travel.

WHEREAS a complete streets network is an important factor in ensuring safe access to streets, which is a top priority for City residents and the City has failed to prioritize its implementation, and in some cases, actively worked against its own plan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Palms Neighborhood Council supports the Safe Streets For All ballot initiative. We ask that the Los Angeles City Council create an ordinance that automatically

implements the Mobility Plan 2035 when repaving streets, using the exact language as written in the initiative.

Title: Transportation Demand Management (TDM) / Los Angeles Municipal Code / Mobility Plan 2035 Policies Update

Position: Support

Summary:

The Palms Neighborhood Council supports reforming and strengthening the City's transportation demand management (TDM) ordinance. We support the adoption of the draft ordinance.

The current TDM ordinance is outdated and largely ineffective, with a limited set of TDM options, limited coverage of types of development, and limited mechanisms for monitoring, evaluation, and enforcement. A new TDM ordinance like this one should instead include a range of context-specific, research-backed options to reduce single-occupancy driving and its attendant health and safety consequences and to account for burdens imposed on the transportation system.

In particular, we are heartened to see that the draft ordinance factors in both the size of the development and the amount of parking supplied. Research has shown parking available in a development is among the most significant factors in whether people drive to it. We also appreciate both the flexibility of the menu of TDM options provided in the draft guidelines, scored by their effectiveness and with the option to add more in the future, and the enforcement mechanisms to ensure compliance with TDM plans.