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Transportation & Infrastructure Committee SPECIAL Meeting Agenda

Monday, April 15, 2024 – 7:00 pm

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In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.

(C) The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.

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(E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

- 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. **REGULAR COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
 - a. Committee member updates
 - i. WRAC update (Shaw)
 - ii. CicLAvia tabling discussion (Katrina)
 - iii. Palms and Clarington (Katrina)
 - iv. Others
 - b. **UPDATE** from the Jarrett Thompson, Council District 5 Transportation Deputy (if available)
- V. **OLD COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
 - a. **MOTION TO RECONSIDER** previously passed letter regarding pilot speed camera locations in Palms
 - i. [Draft letter passed](#)
 - ii. [Updated draft](#)
- VII. **NEW COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
 - a. **MOTION** to send a thank you letter to council office regarding Speed Hump Program updates and sidewalk construction.
 - i. [Draft letter](#)
 - b. **MOTION** to send a letter seeking protected left turn signals at Motor and Palms
 - i. [Draft letter](#)
 - c. **MOTION** to send a letter seeking protected left turn signals at Overland and Palms
 - i. [Draft letter](#) passed in MVCC T Committee
- VIII. **Adjournment**

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Katrina Kaiser <katrina.kaiser@palmsnc.la>

Palms and Clarington Safety Upgrades

Rudy Guevara <rudy.guevara@lacity.org>

Thu, Mar 21, 2024 at 10:08 AM

To: Carlos Rios <carlos.rios@lacity.org>

Cc: Kay Hartman <kay.hartman@palmsnc.la>, Katrina Kaiser <katrina.kaiser@palmsnc.la>, Laura Cornejo <laura.cornejo@lacity.org>

Good morning Kay and Katrina,

I am the Transportation Engineer in charge of Western District, which oversees the West LA Area for LADOT Operations. Thank you Carlos for the introduction I will be moving Carlos Rios and Laura Cornejo to BCC.

Please see the attached report of collisions reported to LAPD from 1/1/2017 to 10/31/2023.

The intersection of Palms and Clarington is a regular 90 degree intersection with plenty of red curb on both sides. Please note that this intersection is almost identical in Geometry and striping to the adjacent intersections on Palms at Jasmine Avenue and Vinton Avenue. There is really nothing different from those intersections to Palms and Clarington.

A marked crosswalk with Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons was approved for the intersection of Palms Bl at Jasmine Avenue back in 2019. Please see attached Traffic Control Report for additional information. The Pedestrians Hybrid Beacons were approved, not because of traffic, but to help pedestrians to cross Palms Boulevard. This location was chosen because it is the mid-point between the existing traffic signals at National Bl and Motor Ave and because we have bus stops on both sides of Palms Boulevard. This project is probably still a couple more years away from being built.

A new traffic signal for the intersection of Palms and Clarington is not an option. We have a very long list of new traffic signals, crosswalks and traffic signal modifications (including left turns) that are waiting to be funded and constructed. Due to very limited resources, we are only able to do a limited number from the list each year. A new traffic signal takes on average 5-7 years or more to be built after the day it gets approved due to the funding and limited resources. As a result, we no longer approved new signals that are not truly needed.

No new signal is needed for Palms and Clarington. This intersection is very close to the existing signal at National. Clarington is also classified as a regular local-residential street. New signals on Major streets and local-residential streets sometimes increase speeding and cut-through traffic on the side local streets, a situation that is not a desirable outcome, and sometimes even opposed by the residents in the local street.


We understand some residents might not be comfortable making a left at this intersection and they have the choice of making a right turn only but we do not want to take that option away from those drivers that are comfortable making those turns. "Right Turn Only" turning restrictions are only approved if there is a documented pattern of collisions. That's not the case at this intersection. We have "Right Turn Only" at other intersections and not all drivers choose to obey the restrictions, which creates enforcement issues.

Let me know if you have additional questions.

Best regards,

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2 attachments

 **Collision Report Palms and Clarington Ave 3-18-24.pdf**
240K

 **SR 33811 - Jasmine Ave and Palms Blvd - TCR.pdf**
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