

MINUTES of Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee Meeting May 16, 2018

The Bi-Monthly meeting of the Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee was called to order at 10:05 a.m. on Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at the West Los Angeles office of CD11 Councilman Mike Bonin, 1645 Corinth Ave., Room 201, Los Angeles, CA 90025. The meeting was chaired by Linda Guagliano (MVCC Liaison) and attended by Rudy Guevara (LADOT Western District Engineer), Hannah Levien (CD11 Field Deputy), Officer John Lawrence (LAPD West Traffic Division CTSU) and Alek Bartrosouf (CD11).

All present signed the attendance sheet and approved the Minutes of the March 28, 2018 meeting. Agenda items were then discussed as follows.

LADOT Agenda Items:

Old Business -

Item #1: Rudy G. reported that the study re: a request for a crosswalk at Barrington & Sardis is still in progress and waiting for pedestrian counts, but that this request will probably not be approved. The other proposed traffic signal (with crosswalk) at Sawtelle & Graham is still under study for a future report.

[Tabled for further updates at the next meeting.]

New Business –

Item #1: Request for user-activated traffic signal and crosswalk at the Culver Blvd. and Slauson Ave. intersection has been approved and funded and will probably be installed between July 1, 2018 and July 1, 2019. **[No further action by this Committee at this time.]**

Item #2: Re: a stakeholder's request to replace a speed hump which she says was removed during street repaving near her home at 3667 Military Ave. five years ago, Rudy G. reported that the speed hump was in place at 3663 in 2000, that an aerial photo shows it was gone in 2006 (maybe removed in 2003), and was then relocated at 3637 Military, about six houses north of the old location. **[No further action by this Committee.]**

Item #3: Re: stakeholder Jeff Marder's report that the left-turn traffic arrow signal from Sepulveda going west onto Venice Blvd. is defective, Rudy G. said he will send a field crew to check the loops in the pavement and the controller sensor. This is a "protective/permissive" left-turn signal so if only one or two cars are waiting for the left-turn arrow signal it will not be activated, but if 3 or 4 cars are waiting the arrow will turn on. Rudy will respond directly to Jeff Marder with the results. **[Tabled for a follow-up report at the next meeting.]**

Item #4: Re: MV Zone Director #6's request for a "visible/zebra/continental sidewalk" at the Greenwood & Palms Blvd. intersection to stop cars from rolling over the poorly marked pedestrian crosswalk at the STOP sign, Rudy G. said he will have this inspected but this is a residential intersection with low pedestrian traffic so there is no need to install a new crosswalk. The existing crosswalk and STOP sign were installed only a year ago and are sufficient. Rudy also said that if enforcement is desired, residents should contact LAPD West Traffic Division for assistance. **[No further action by this Committee at this time.]**

Item #5: Report from MV Zone 6 Director about a pothole in the "zebra" crosswalk on Beethoven St. at Palms Blvd. is not an LADOT responsibility, so CD11's Hannah Levien will refer this item to the Bureau of Street Services for repairs. **[Tabled for follow-up at the next meeting under Other Agenda.]**

Item #6: Re: complaints from customers of the Beethoven Market at Palms/Beethoven intersection about waiting time due to traffic backup on Beethoven during peak traffic hours may be caused by cars turning left (east) on Palms, Rudy said he looked at the location but there is no space there to install a left turn lane on Beethoven at this intersection. **[No further action by this Committee.]**

Other Agenda Items:

Old Business –

Item #1: Hannah L. reported that CD11 Central Office has not received any usable suggestions for making changes or repairs on Venice Blvd. that would partially alleviate the Wade St. traffic problems which DOT is currently unable to mitigate. **[No further action by this Committee at this time.]**

Item #2: Hannah L. reported that the pole(s) previously chosen for installation of street lighting on Victoria Ave. between Walgrove and Beethoven is not suitable, so she recommends that the west Mar Vista Residents Association members choose 5 to 7 poles in the same area, identify them by their pole numbers, and give the resulting list to Hannah to transmit to the LADWP for locations to install the lighting. **[Tabled for a follow-up report at the next meeting.]**

New Business –

No new Agenda items were received before the Final Agenda for this meeting closed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

The next Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at Council District 11 West Los Angeles Office, 1645 Corinth Ave., Room 201, Los Angeles, CA. 90025.

Submitted by Linda J. Guagliano, Chair
Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee
May 20, 2018