

REVISED MINUTES of Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee Meeting
September 19, 2018

The Bi-Monthly meeting of the Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee was called to order on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at the West Los Angeles office of CD11 Councilman Mike Bonin, 1645 Corinth Ave., Room 20I, Los Angeles, CA 90025. The meeting was chaired by Linda Guagliano (MVCC Liaison) and attended by Rudy Guevara (LADOT Western District Engineer), Officer John Lawrence (LAPD West Traffic Division CTSU), and Alek Bartrosouf (CD11). Hannah Levien (CD11 Field Deputy) was absent for a personal religious observance that day.

All present signed the attendance sheet and approved the Minutes of the July 18, 2018 meeting. Agenda items were then discussed as follows.

LADOT Agenda Items:

Old Business –

Item #1: (Part 1) Rudy G. said his office wrote the Traffic Control Report to authorize the traffic signal on Sawtelle at Graham Place and the signal goes in the list of “unfunded” projects. The first step would be for the LADOT Signal Design Section to design a plan for the installation of the traffic signal while LADOT looks for funding. The process for installation of a new signal takes approx. 3-5 years. [Tabled for LADOT follow-up reports/updates at future meetings as new information occurs.]

(Part 2) Re: request #98747 for a crosswalk at Barrington and Sardis, Rudy reported that he had no updates at this time but they will try to have an update for the next meeting. [Tabled for LADOT follow-up at the November 2018 meeting.]

Item #2: Re a stakeholder request to install a crosswalk between 3415 Sepulveda Blvd. and Rose Avenue for pedestrian and vehicle safety (SR #105178), Rudy G. said Sepulveda Blvd. is a major highway, classified as a Boulevard II so they cannot just mark a regular crosswalk. Any marked crosswalk will require some sort of flashing beacons, at minimum. This request for a marked crosswalk is denied at this time as it does not meet the minimum pedestrian requirement but LADOT will try to get something approved and Rudy will give an update on the matter at the next meeting. [Tabled for the November 2018 meeting.]

Item #3: Re John Evans’ request for speed humps and signage to control traffic speeding on Federal Ave. between National Blvd. and Stanwood Dr., Rudy reminded us that his office does not handle speed hump requests and they are applied for twice a year at a special LADOT office window. (Note: This matter was also to be handled by Hannah L. who was not present. Further info will be received from her in a separate report.) [No further action by this Committee until her report is received.]

New Business – There were no LADOT New Business Agenda items for this meeting.

Other Agenda Items:

There were four items of Old Business on the Agenda for this meeting, but they were all for CD11’s Hannah Levien to discuss and she was absent from the meeting. She has been asked to report on those items in writing to the Committee separately as soon as possible.

Hannah reported on the 4 items as follows:

Item #1: Follow-up report from Bureau of Street Lighting re: the appropriate poles to be used for street lighting installation on Victoria between Walgrove and Beethoven streets. Hannah L. reports that DWP was unable to provide lighting on these poles. She will reach out to Bureau of Street lighting to understand what they might be able to do here. Tabled for update at January meeting.

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Item #2: Follow-up report by Hannah L. re: Bureau of Street Services' repair to a pothole in the "zebra" crosswalk on Beethoven St. at Palms Blvd. Hannah L. reports that the constituent can address this directly through 311. Typically these are done w/in 48 hrs. Submit using 311. Once they submit their request, have them send Hannah L. their SR# and she can track the progress of the request.

Item #3: Reports from Rudy G. and Hannah L. re: John Evans' request for speed humps and signage to control traffic speeding on Federal Ave. between National Blvd. and Stanwood Dr. Hannah L. spoke with John and informed him of the speed hump program. No further action required by this committee.

Item #3: Report from Hannah L. as to whether any usable suggestion or solutions have been received for changes or repairs on Venice Blvd. that could alleviate ongoing Wade St. traffic problems. She reports: As explained by DOT in the past, Wade is a collector street and any type of possible traffic mitigation suggestion would originate with DOT.

Item #4: Follow-up report from Hannah L. re: progress toward solving problems for neighbors of the 3101 Barrington Ave. building which puts its trash containers in the alleyway next to them, creating foul odors and insect and rat infestations. She reports: I recommend that they discuss the issue with their neighbor. Should it persist, folks can talk directly to LASAN - If you are a single family residence or 4 units or less then you're allowed to have LASAN refuse service. If trash cans are missed – always ask what color (blue, black or green).

Before the meeting was adjourned, Rudy G. asked that the November meeting, which was to be held on November 21, 2018, be rescheduled to the week before, on Wednesday, November 14th because the original date of the 21st is the day before Thanksgiving.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am. The next Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee Meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on November 14, 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 September 26, 2018