

Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee Meeting
January 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

Call to Order.

Approval of Minutes of August 2019 Meeting.

Agenda items for discussion are as follows:

LADOT Agenda Items:

Old Business –

1. From July meeting: Request for additional lane markings at the intersection of Palms & McLaughlin; and request for MERGE sign on Palms just west of Sawtelle.

Follow up on LADOT Work Order (Service Request #125275). They will be repainting existing lane markings, and adding painted roadway lettering east of Sawtelle. As of end of December it didn't look as if roadway repainting had been completed.

2. From July meeting: Request for modification to right turn lane on McLaughlin Ave heading north at Palms Blvd, stakeholder suggested that heading northbound on McLaughlin Avenue at Palms Boulevard drivers are very confused because the right turn lane is over 20' wide.

Follow up on Work Order #129694, LADOT staff is working to assess the situation and possibly provide for slightly narrowing the lane in question.

3. From September meeting: Request for a study of how to calm traffic on Washington Place at Berryman Avenue, with concern expressed that dips in Washington Place roadway at the intersection of Berryman and Washington Place cause drivers to lose control of vehicles when speeding and cause accidents. The stakeholder requests that DOT initiate a traffic study, and Investigate what additional traffic control measures can be taken along this stretch to slow speeding vehicles and advise motorists of the roadway conditions

Traffic study not possible, but Follow up on recommendation installing "DIP Warning signs (black letters on yellow background)" pavement markings on the street to supplement existing signs.

New Business –

1 Consideration requested by Nancy Howell: I live on Rose Ave and have a problem. A request for speed humps was passed but we have an 'artificial' speed bump next to our driveway which extends across the entire street. Trash trucks, construction vehicles etc. cause a very disruptive noise each time they travel down Rose Ave. It is also dangerous for us as we slow down and turn into our driveway with this bump on the street. It is also a hazard in a rain storm since a large puddle is formed and those on the sidewalk get drenched and drivers of cars are temporarily blinded due to water on the windshields. This needs to be corrected before more speed humps are added. It involves the removal of a large tree root. Our neighbors have tried to get rid of the tree but since the sidewalk has been repaired, they were told that it is not necessary. Can LADOT come to our rescue. I talked with Lon and she said she would see what can be done before speed humps are installed. Thank you for your help.

2. Consideration requested by Dennis Mogergerman: I came across this situation this afternoon.



The woman in the photo is from the West LA area and yet she was unfamiliar with our unique traffic and parking pattern here in Mar Vista. Her car was ticketed and unfortunately a OPG tow truck was called and she was just about to towed to the impound yard in MdR when she came on the scene. Her car was lowered down and released to her but she still had to pay the \$250 impound fee plus the parking ticket.

I witnessed a similar event some months ago and a couple with Arizona plates who were here on holiday were ticketed. They were confused since they still had time on the meter.

The reason I'm writing is to forward an interesting suggestion from the woman I met today. She said if all of the curbs along the protected bike lanes were painted red she never would have parked next to the curb. Maybe CD11 can help with that?

3. a. Consideration requested by Enrique Serta: Need for LAPD traffic enforcement: Southbound on Centinela Avenue between Palms and Charnock and Charnock and Venice cars are using the middle lane because they don't want to be in the traffic. It's very dangerous. I have called the LAPD traffic division

and Pacific Division and neither have been helpful. I think if some traffic tickets were given it would help.
Thanks

3. b. Similar issue---Consideration requested by Nanette Pastor-Hanna: Sawtelle south bound toward Venice Blvd. During rush hour and anytime the lanes are backed up, drivers cut across the double yellow AGAINST NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC to get into the left turn lane. I cannot tell you how many times I've had to swerve into the right lane to avoid head-ons, and watched others doing the same. I recommend installing the tubular road cones along the double yellow lines, from the intersection of Biona south to the turn lane to prevent this.

LADOT has indicated road cones not feasible, but LAPD enforcement would be helpful.

The next Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/LAPD/CD11 Traffic Committee Meeting will be held on March 18, 2020, at Council District 11 West Los Angeles Office, 1645 Corinth Ave., Room 201, Los Angeles, CA 90025.