

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022**  
**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA**  
**MOBILITY AND TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION**  
**MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Abelson called the Regular Meeting of the Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission to order on January 18, 2022 at 6:34 p.m. The meeting was held virtually via Zoom.

**ROLL CALL:** Chair Abelson

**Present:** Chair Abelson, Vice Chair Fisher, Commissioner Hughes, Commissioner Dunlap and Commissioner Liu

**Council Liaison:** Councilmember Jon Primuth

**Absent:**

**Staff Present:** Ted Gerber, Director of Public Works, and Leaonna DeWitt, Public Works Assistant (“PA”)

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Hughes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Written Public Comment:

- Brett B
- Ed Elsner

Live Public Comment:

Both live public speakers commented on concerns regarding the safety of the intersection of Milan Avenue and Monterey Road.

- Mary Urquhart
- Brett Barnard

**ACTION ITEMS**

**2. Minutes of the Special Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission on December 13, 2021.**

Minutes approved as presented. Motion made by Vice Chair Fisher and seconded by Commissioner Hughes (5-0).

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**3. Annual Report 2021**

PWD Gerber gave a brief overview of the item. Commissioner Hughes, Chair Abelson and Vice Chair volunteered to develop a draft Annual Report and present the draft at the next meeting.

**4. Strategic Plan Review and Development of 2022 Work Plan**

PWD Gerber gave a presentation on the Strategic Plan and the process/development of the 2022 Work Plan. Discussion ensued regarding the list of projects and issues. In light of the pending citywide review of commissions, the Commission developed a list of work plan goals for February through June 2022. The list of work plan goals include the development of the Fremont Avenue traffic plan using Metro \$6 million grant, neighborhood traffic management plan (NTMP) implementation, the Slow Streets

program, private development project presentation by Community Development, Columbia Street restriping (with City of Pasadena), Ramona Avenue NTMP (status/implementation), street improvement projects (status) and improvements to the Mission/Meridian Gold Line crossing. Staff will report back following the outcome of the City Manager's ongoing commission analysis (Commission Review).

#### **5. Selection of Officers**

PWD Gerber recommended that the Commission postpone the selection of officers until March 2022 due to the pending Commission Review.

A motion was made by Chair Abelson recommending postponing the selection of officers until the March 20, 2022, meeting and seconded by Commissioner Hughes. (5-0).

### **COMMISSION LED DISCUSSION**

#### **6. SR 710 Mobility Improvement Projects Ad Hoc Committee**

PWD Gerber provided an update on this item. The Commission discussed ensuring that the City is in communication with the City of Pasadena regarding transit improvements and the issue of the re-visioning of the freeway "stub."

#### **7. Ramona Avenue Neighborhood Traffic Management Ad Hoc Committee**

PWD Gerber gave a brief update on this item. All committee recommendations are still being reviewed, and there are discussions underway with Holy Family Church regarding the drop-off process.

#### **8. COVID-19 Ad Hoc Committee**

PWD Gerber gave a brief update on this item. There were limits as a result of the 12/31/21 expenditure deadline. Staff looked at other cities to see how we could procure the resources. Purchases have been made, though deliveries are still pending. Alta is expected to be re-engaged to work on final designs that will go to the Commission and then the City Council.

#### **9. Preferential Parking Policy Ad Hoc Committee**

No update.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **10. City Council Liaison Communications**

Councilmember Primuth provided an update on various items and projects. He announced that the City is redistricting the five districts using the 2020 Census Data. He noted there was a CIP update by PWD Gerber, which was very helpful. Council Liaison Primuth is hoping the City will adopt a new system utilizing technology that will inform the community of their voting district and the respective candidates.

#### **11. Commissioner Communications**

Commissioner Dunlap is pleased with and enjoys the City's increased presence on digital social media platforms.

Commissioner Hughes brought up the South Pasadena rock sign and the displeasure of not being able to see it. PWD Gerber stated that the documents are executed with West Coast Arborist and will be starting in two weeks.

Commissioner Hughes thanked staff for their hard work.

Chair Abelson addressed the redevelopment of the Carrows on the northwestern corner of Fremont Avenue and Mission Street. He suggested this would be a great opportunity to provide input and work with the Community Development Department in regards to the challenges related to traffic flow or parking for not just this project, but for upcoming development projects..

PWD Gerber responded that staff has been working closely with Community Development on this project and will relay the Commission's concerns.

**12. Staff Liaison Communications**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing minutes were adopted by the Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission of the City of South Pasadena at a meeting held on February 15, 2021.

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*Larry Abelson*

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Larry Abelson, Chair