

**MINUTES OF THE  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION  
9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE  
AMEDEE O. "DICK" RICHARDS, JR., COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
1424 MISSION STREET**

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04p.m. by Chair Granath. Present were Commissioner Abelson, Commissioner Fisher, Commissioner Glauz and Council Liaison Dr. Schneider. Commissioner Pendo had an excused absence. Staff present: Deputy Public Works Director Shin Furukawa and Public Works Assistant Leonna DeWitt.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Granath led the pledge of allegiance.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Meeting of August 12, 2015.**

Minutes approved. (Fisher, Glauz 4-0)

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Items not on the agenda**

No public comment.

**5. COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS**

Construction will begin for the Graves Reservoir Replacement Project in June 2017.

**6. STAFF COMMENTS**

Deputy Public Works Director Furukawa informed the Commission that the peak-hour no left turn and no right turn restrictions have been implemented on Mission Street at Meridian Avenue and/or working well.

The peak-hour no left turn restrictions have been installed on Orange Grove Avenue at Columbia Street in both south- and northbound directions by the City of Pasadena. The signs may be enlarged to improve their visibility.

After meeting with the consultant, it was determined that Oak Hill Place and Camino Del Sol (total estimated cost of \$73,000) are in too poor condition for slurry seals and require total reconstruction. Suggested alternate streets for slurry seal will be determined by staff and the design consultant and brought back to the Commission for review and approval.

**7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. Consideration to Commission a Traffic Study to Consider Removing the No Right Turn on Red Restriction for Westbound Grevelia Street at Fair Oaks Avenue**

Deputy Public Works Director Furukawa provided background information on this item. Based on staff investigation, the existing No Right Turn on Red restriction for westbound Grevelia Street at Fair Oaks Avenue is not recommended for removal.

Discussion ensued regarding visibility, liability, alternate traffic devices and traffic flow.

A motion was made to move forward with a traffic study to investigate the removal of the existing NRTOR restrictions for westbound Grevelia St. onto Fair Oaks Ave and to study the feasibility of permitting right turns on red during certain phases. (Abelson, Fisher 4-0)

**B. Commission Annual Report**

Public Works Assistant DeWitt provided background information on this item. The annual report is due to the City Clerk's office no later than October 23, 2015 and will be presented to the City Council on November 4, 2015.

Chair Granath stated he would draft the report and circulate it to the entire Commission. He would like to include items that have not been acted upon and make it known that there are significant measures that have been recommended by the Commission which have not been implemented or acted upon.

Commission Abelson questioned if it would be appropriate to communicate with each other regarding the draft report via email and not violate the Brown Act.

Council Liaison Schneider requested staff to clarify with the City Attorney whether this type of communication would fall under the Brown Act.

**C. Capital Improvement Project Update**

Deputy Public Works Furukawa gave a brief update on the current Capital Improvement Projects.

**8. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

No comments.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Granath declared the meeting adjourned at 8:21p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing minutes were adopted by the Public Works Commission of the City of South Pasadena at a meeting held on October 14, 2015.

AYES: 4  
NOES: 0  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

  
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Clinton Granath, Chair

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