

**MINUTES
OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE TRAFFIC COMMISSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2018, AT 6:30 P.M.
IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5655 JILLSON STREET, COMMERCE, CA 90040**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Caldera at 6:39 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE &
INVOCATION**

Commissioner Maravilla led those present in the pledge of allegiance and gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Commission:

Chairperson Caldera, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández, Commissioners R. Hernández and Maravilla

Staff:

Traffic Commission Liaison Seung Yang
Public Safety Manager Laura Tilley
E.L.A. Sheriff's Sergeant Abel Jiménez

Absent:

Administrative Assistant Martha Gómez

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

**SCHEDULED
MATTERS**

**1. APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Chairperson Caldera moved and Commissioner R. Hernández seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting held on April 11, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners R. Hernández, Maravilla, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández, and Chairperson Caldera (4)

ABSENT: None

2. RED CURB MARKING REQUEST ALONG 6015-6021 RANDOLPH STREET

Liaison Yang provided a background presentation and overview of a request submitted by Mr. Iraj Golfeiz, proprietor of *The Housewares International* and Mr. Sean Solouki, proprietor of *The Newgistics Logistics Company* located at 6015-6021 Randolph Street, regarding perceived sight distance issues at said property. The facility consists of several loading docks for large 18-wheeler trucks that enter and exit the facility. The parking of cars and trucks adjacent to the driveway makes it difficult for drivers to exit and safely enter Randolph Street.

After Public Works staff went out and investigated, it was determined that the existing red curb should be refreshed and that an additional red curb of approximately 50 lineal feet in length should be installed at the location of 6015-6021 Randolph Street, in order to remedy the situation. Staff also mailed out a flyer to all businesses on Randolph Street to invite them to the Traffic Commission Meeting tonight and to notify them about the City's intentions regarding this matter.

Liaison Yang responded to questions from the Commission.

After some discussion, Chairperson Caldera moved, and Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández seconded the motion to approve the installation of approximately 50 lineal feet in length of additional red curb marking adjacent to 6015-6021 Randolph Street and refresh the existing red curb, in order to increase sight distance and traffic safety. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners R. Hernández, Maravilla, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández, and Chairperson Caldera
(4)

ABSENT: None

4. STAFF REPORT UPDATES

Liaison Yang gave an update on the progress of the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Pavement Rehabilitation Program: 1) Garfield Avenue from Telegraph Road to Ferguson Drive is still under construction; 2) Ferguson Drive pavement rehabilitation is completely finished; and 3), driving improvements on Ferguson Drive, such as new signs and red curb marking extensions at the various intersections from Saybrook Avenue to Garfield Avenue will be implemented.

5. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

Public Safety Manager Tilley invited the Commission to the following City events: 1) The next Neighborhood Watch Meeting on Thursday, May 17, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. in the Bandini area located at the intersection of Cowlin Avenue and Gafford Street;

**PUBLIC SAFETY
REPORT (Continued)**

2) the annual Rabies Clinic & Dog Licensing event on Wednesday, June 6, 2018 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Rosewood Park. She mentioned that if the Commissioners wanted to volunteer to work the event, she would be happy to sign them up; and 3) the Summer Kick-Off Program, is scheduled for Friday evening, June 15, 2018, at Rosewood Park and the Public Safety and Community Services Department will be conducting the Child Finger Printing program and the Bicycle Safety presentation at this event.

6. SHERIFF'S REPORT

Sergeant Jiménez reported that he recently obtained some grant monies for the City of Commerce from the California Office of Traffic Safety (O.T.S.), where he and three Motor Unit Officers spent a 16 hour day addressing various preventable measures by citing violators of these measures throughout the City. He also provided for the Commission and staff the L.A. County Sheriff's Department E.L.A. Station "Traffic Analysis Report" for the month of April 2018, and responded to questions from the Commission.

**7. COMMISSIONERS'
REPORTS**

Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández had a concern regarding the approximate 58 families that will be relocated due to the I-710 Freeway Expansion Project. He said that many of the families that will be impacted by this project are not happy. He also mentioned that he and Mayor Oralia Y. Rebollo will be on television Channel 34, to talk about the many projects in City of Commerce, as well as the Life of Mayor Rebollo and his life; and 3) he also proudly shared that he will be recognized as a volunteer for his dedicated service to the Food Distribution Program, of which several Seniors will be receiving an award.

Liaison Yang responded briefly to Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández's concern regarding the residents being impacted by the I-710 Freeway Expansion Project. He said that this project may or may not be implemented at all. It may take 15-20 years. Environmental studies will be done and many public meetings will be held for residents to express their opinion about the I-710 Freeway Expansion Project. Commissioner R. Hernández mentioned that he understood from the meeting he attended at METRO in downtown L.A. was that the work will be done on the freeway but expansion of the freeway was a concern and on hold for consideration. The EIR Report will be available on September 1, 2018. He mentioned that he was not aware that 58 families needed to be relocated.

Commissioner R. Hernández inquired that one of the speed feedback signs on Harbor Street is not working.

**COMMISSIONERS'
REPORTS (Continued)**

Commissioner Maravilla reported a load noise that he heard around midnight approximately two weeks ago. He also mentioned that street racing on the streets of Commerce is still causing problems.

Chairperson Caldera – No report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Caldera announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Traffic Commission is **Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.** in the **City Council Chambers, 5655 Jillson Street, Commerce.**

Chairperson Caldera moved and Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners R. Hernández, Maravilla, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández, and Chairperson Caldera
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ABSENT: None

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.