MINUTES

OF A REGULAR MEETING

OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE TRAFFIC COMMISSION HELD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019, AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE ROOM 5555 JILLSON STREET, COMMERCE, CA 90040

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Caldera at 6:35 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION Commissioner R. Hernández led those present in the pledge of allegiance and gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Commission:

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

Staff:

Traffic Commission Liaison Seung Yang E.L.A. Sheriff's Sergeant Abel Jiménez

Absent:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Gustavo Martínez, proprietor of El Capiro Piloncillo, Inc. located at 4645 Telegraph Road, Commerce, made comments to the Commission in favor and in support of installing or painting red curb markings along the single driveway at his business establishment. He mentioned the sight distance issues and potential for collisions that affect his business and the installation of the red curbs will provide added relief for cars and trucks that enter and exit his facility.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairperson Caldera moved and Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting held on January 9, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES:

Commissioners Betancourt, R. Hernández, Maravilla, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández, and Chairperson Caldera (5)

ABSENT: None

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2. RED CURB MARKING ALONG DRIVEWAY AT 4645 TELEGRAPH ROAD

Liaison Yang addressed the Commission and provided a brief background on this item. He reported sight distance issues have affected the business, El Capiro Piloncillo, Inc., located at this area as employee vehicles and delivery trucks try to enter and exit the facility. Parked vehicles at both ends of the existing driveway make it difficult to see over and pose a hazard for vehicles trying to enter and exit cure apparel. The placement of these red curbs next to this existing driveway will help alleviate this issue.

After a brief discussion, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández moved, and Commissioner Maravilla seconded the motion to approve the request to install red curb markings at both ends of the existing driveway at 4645 Telegraph Road. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES:

Commissioners Betancourt, R. Hernández, Maravilla,

Vice-Chairperson J. Hernandez, and Chairperson

Caldera (5)

ABSENT: None

3. STAFF REPORT UPDATES

Liaison Yang announced the retirement of Administrative Assistant Martha Gómez for her 43 years of service to the City Commerce. He invited all the commissioners and staff to attend her retirement party on February 21, 2019.

Public Works mentioned that the Atlantic Blvd. Corridor Improvement Project construction will begin sometime in March 2019 that will include beautification and safety improvements.

Future projects are slated for next year that will include the reconstruction of the southern half of Garfield Avenue.

4. SHERIFF'S REPORT

Sergeant Jiménez provided for the Commission and staff the issues related to driving under the influence (DUI) and saturation patrols have been conducted by the Sheriff's Department. Also, the investigation continues regarding the traffic accident fatality that had occurred along Atlantic Avenue and Como Street in late 2018.

More patrols are also being conducted with respect to moving traffic violations. Commissioner Maravilla also brought up the point regarding the issue related to human trafficking, and Sgt. Jiménez mentioned that surveillance cameras have been helpful in curtailing some of these crimes.

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5. COMMISSIONERS' Commissioner Betancourt did not present a report.

Commissioner R. Hernández reported vagrants around Washington Blvd. and Atlantic Blvd. have moved on and that warnings have been posted to curtail this activity.

Commissioner Maravilla did not present a report.

Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández did not present a report.

Chairperson Caldera introduced classes are available to gain education and training to become a "parliamentarian" and encouraged the other commissioners to participate in this and other programs.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Caldera moved and Commissioner Maravilla seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES:

Commissioners Betancourt, R. Hernández, Maravilla, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández, and Chairperson Caldera (5)

ABSENT: None

Meeting Adjourned at 7:05 p.m.