

**MINUTES  
OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020 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 R. Hernández at 6:34 p.m.

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

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:**                      **Commission:**  
Chairperson R. Hernandez, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernandez, and Commissioner Betancourt

**Staff:**  
Traffic Commission Liaison Daniel Hernandez  
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Sergeant Joe Hernandez

**Absent:**                      Commissioner Maravilla

**PUBLIC COMMENT**                      Ms. Sharon Basic requested that the curb address numbers be refreshed and she also reported other issues regarding street markings and signage. Also, she inquired about the City's process for informing the public about Commission meetings.

**SCHEDULED MATTERS**

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**                      Commissioner R. Hernandez moved and Commissioner Betancourt seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting held on December 11, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES:                      Commissioner Betancourt, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández, and Chairperson R. Hernandez (3)

ABSENT: Commissioner Maravilla (1)

**2. ON-STREET  
PHYSICALLY  
CHALLENGED  
ACCESSIBLE  
PARKING SPACE AT  
2502 LEO AVE**

This item is an appeal to a blue curb request that was denied per the City's policy. Staff shared their findings in regards to the investigation for blue curb parking space and provided rationale as to why a blue curb was denied.

After a brief discussion, Commissioner Betancourt moved and Vice-Chairperson J. Hernandez seconded the motion to approval the applicant's appeal to overturn staff's denial per the City's policy. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Betancourt, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernandez, and Chairperson R. Hernandez, (3)

ABSENT: Commissioner Maravilla (1)

**3. BLUE CURB  
POLICY UPDATE**

Staff explained proposed changes and rationale for the policy adopted in 2017. No formal action taken.

**4. TRAFFIC CALMING  
REVIEW ALONG  
TRIGGS ST**

Staff presented a report regarding a traffic calming review due to speeding concerns along Triggs Street to improve overall safety and reduce traffic congestion. At the end, staff presented a summary of recommendations.

After a brief discussion, Commissioner Betancourt moved and Vice-Chairperson J. Hernandez seconded the motion to approve the following:

Recommendation 1: Modify the Existing City of Commerce Speed Hump Policy to better reflect the current traffic conditions in Commerce and provide a broader definition of the type of streets that can be considered for speed humps.

Recommendation 2: Install speed limit signs and speed cushions on Triggs Street between Marianna Avenue and Eastern Avenue.

Recommendation 3B: Install solar speed limit feedback signs, repaint yellow center dashed line, and install speed cushions on Triggs Street between Eastern Avenue and East of McDonnell Avenue. (With Speed Cushions).

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Betancourt, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernandez, and Chairperson R. Hernandez, (3)

ABSENT: Commissioner Maravilla (1)

## 5. STAFF REPORT UPDATES

Liaison, Daniel Hernandez, announced the following and responded to public comments made at the start of the meeting, 1) City meeting announcements are posted on the City website and at multiple physical locations throughout City Hall, including on the window display case near the Council Chambers, 2) Curb street markings require funding and will evaluate costs in order for budget consideration, 3) Commissioners are invited to the City's 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday Appreciation Breakfast, and 4) City staff member, Belgin Cuhadaroglu, will be the new Traffic Commission Liaison.

## 6. SHERIFF'S REPORT

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Sergeant, Joe Hernandez, reported the following: 1) The sergeant assigned to the Traffic Commission is still out on leave; it is advised that any public safety related matters be reported to the City so they can be referred to him, 2) The Traffic Analysis Report is available and shows various traffic and safety data, 3) A motor officer is back in the City, 4) There are funds available to deploy additional units if necessary, 5) Several complaints have come in about drivers speeding and running STOP signs, 6) There is a new Sheriff's Captain named Richard Mejia, 7) The Sheriff's Department will post on social media, an announcement regarding the City's zero-tolerance for racing/speeding, 8) A task force will be recreated for addressing ongoing public safety issues, but it is not in City Hall yet, and 8) The Sheriff's Department continues to work with City staff to remove recreational vehicles (RVs) from City streets.

## 7. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

**Commissioner Betancourt** reported that she followed up with the Sheriff's department to find out if other members of the public had also reported speeding on Washington Blvd.

**Vice-Chairperson J. Hernández** reported that a damaged section of the railroad track on Garfield Ave at Slauson Ave required immediate attention.

**Chairperson R. Hernandez** mentioned that numerous thefts and other public safety issues occurred in the Bandini Area.

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

## ADJOURNMENT

AYES: Commissioner Betancourt, Vice-Chairperson J. Hernandez, and Chairperson R. Hernández (3)

ABSENT: Commissioner Maravilla (1)

Meeting Adjourned at 7:16 p.m.