Joint meeting of Parking and Transportation Committee and Board of Directors – Minutes

Meeting Date: 7/6/2020
Meeting Time: 7:00pm
Meeting Location: Webinar online zoom meeting
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1. James Murez (Chair) x Nick Antonicello x
   Selena Inouye Jonathan Deer x
   Alyson Wilson x Robert Thibodeau x
   Ira Koslow (ex-officio)

2. 07:08pm – Call to Order and Roll Call
3. Start time + 00:05 -- Approve Agenda as Presented
4. Review, Comment and Adopt Minutes from prior meeting (JM,AW,5,0,0)
5. PUBLIC COMMENT – non-agenda items related to Parking and Transportation Committee only
   Old Business: (carried over from prior meetings)
6. PTC 2016-2019 Report – carry over no action at this time
   a. Item for discussion and possible action,
   b. Public Comment
   c. Committee Discussion
   d. Motion:
7. Certified Land Use and/or Community Plans carry over no action at this time
   a. Item for discussion and possible action, review
   Transit Oriented Community (TOC) Ordinance
   2035 Mobility Transportation Plan – Street Widths
   b. Public Comment
   c. Committee Discussion
   d. Motion:
8. Streetscape, Landscape and Sidewalks carry over no action at this time
   a. Item for discussion and possible action
   b. Public Comment
   c. Committee Discussion
   d. Motion: Recommend considerations
   a. Discussion:
9. Bus Stop and Layover Locations carry over no action at this time
   a. Item for discussion and possible action,
MTA, Big Blue Bus and Culver Green Line consideration for Venice location(s).

b. Public Comment
c. Committee Discussion: give update
d. Motion: Recommend considerations

10. Mobility Station, LADOT 701 carry over
a. Item for discussion and possible action: Proposed landscape, hardscape and infrastructure improvements, evaluate needs and solutions to address community issues. …discussion, with present encampments moving forward is not possible at this time.
b. Public Comment
c. Committee Discussion
d. Motion: Adopt proposed revisions to approved permit as shown on drawings

11. Bus Routes and Shuttle Considerations
a. Item for discussion and possible action: Submit to VNC Board proposal to present to MTA, BBB, Culver Green and CD11 that addresses local needs and as well as considerations for regional transportation.
b. Public Comment
c. Committee Discussion – reviewed multi-layered map of proposed routes
d. Motion: Convert multi-layer bus route map into PowerPoint presentation that will be shared with VNC Board at July Board Meeting. Request that Board schedule vote to adopt at August meeting. Continue open discussion and possible revisions at August PTC meeting before final presentation to Board in August. Present stakeholder written comments to Board for review. (NA, RT, 5,0,0)

NEW BUSINESS

12. COVID-19 Temporary Street Closures
a. Item for discussion and possible action: Close streets to automobiles to allow greater distancing area for people who are walking, biking or riding scooters. If approved 66% of residents and/or property owners must opt-in on written petition before City action to occur. Streets to consider are as follows and documented on proposed layout plans:

1) Abbot Kinney – N. Venice Blvd – Brooks Av (weekends 6am-9pm) (JM, JD, 1,4,0)
2) Rose Ave – 7th Ave to Main St (weekends 6am – 9pm) (failed no Second)
3) Windward Ave – Pacific Ave – Speedway (weekends 6am – 9pm) (removed)
4) Washington Blvd – Pacific Ave – Speedway (weekends 6am – 9pm) (removed)

b. Public Comment:
c. Committee Discussion:
d. Motion:

13. COVID-19 Temporary Pocket Parks / Remove Public Parking carry over no action at this time
a. Item for discussion and possible action: Request the City to provide street barricades to ensure public safety. Consider sidewalk detour to allow business to create Parklet abutting their business front and have public walk around expanded area provided by parklet.
b. Public Comment:
c. Committee Discussion:
d. Motion:

14. Speed Bumps carry over no action at this time
a. Item for discussion and possible action: Review speed hump material for September submission.
b. Public Comment:
c. Committee Discussion:
d. Motion:

15. TOC Ridership Requirements
a. Item for discussion and possible action: (submitted by: Alix Gucovsk) ridership on public transportation is at an all time low do in part to COVID-19 considerations. Prior to the pandemic,
reports from Metro show that ridership over the last 10 years has decreased over 35%. Yet during this same period of time the population in WLA has increased. This leaves us to wonder how these people are getting around and how a TOC program that reduces onsite parking requirement on any new development project makes sense when the facts are analyzed.

b. Public Comment:
c. Committee Discussion:
d. Motion: Whereas COVID 19 will have long lasting impacts on how people travel and live. Whereas transit ridership is in free fall decline. Whereas the intent of TOC development is to build more workforce housing for workers like electricians, gardeners, contractors, etc...all professions that rely heavily on cars as primary transport to work. Therefore, we move that there is a moratorium on all future TOC development until we understand the implications of COVID 19 on the ridership of mass transit. (JM, Failed no Second)

16. Comments on items not on the agenda for consideration
17. ADJOURN

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