

TRAFFIC COMMISSION OF MONTEREY PARK AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

Monterey Park City Hall – City Council Chambers
320 W. Newmark Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91754

Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the City of Monterey Park is to provide excellent service, foster growth and opportunity, and create a joyous and collaborative environment

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to acknowledge that the land we inhabit today was once known as Tovangaar, the home of the Gabrieleño-Tongva people. We show our respect to the Gabrieleño-Tongva people, as well as all Indigenous people, past, present, and future, and honor their labor as original caretakers of this land. We commit to uplifting the Gabrieleño-Tongva people, invite you to acknowledge the history, and join us in caring for this land.

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CALL TO ORDER Chairperson

FLAG SALUTE Chairperson

ROLL CALL Gabriel Grajeda, Michael Wong, Daisy Ma, Paul Perez, Allan Shatkin

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS (Related to Items NOT on the Agenda). While all comments are welcome, the Brown Act does not allow the Traffic Commission to take action on any item not on the agenda. The Traffic Commission may briefly respond to comments after Public Communications is closed.

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

[1.] STAFF COMMUNICATIONS - PRESENTATION –

1-A. Traffic Fundamentals Presentation

[2.] CONSENT CALENDAR

2-A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It is recommended that the Traffic Commission:

- (1) Approve the Minutes from the regular meeting of November 21, 2024;
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable

[3.] OLD BUSINESS - None

[4.] NEW BUSINESS – None

[5.] COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

ADJOURN

**MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK TRAFFIC COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
November 21, 2024**

The Traffic Commission of the City of Monterey Park held a Regular Meeting of the Commission in the Community Room located at 320 W Newmark Avenue, in the City of Monterey Park, on Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Ma called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

Commissioner Wong led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Daisy Ma, Paul Perez, Gabriel Grajeda & Michael Wong

Commissioners Absent: Allan Shatkin

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Public Works Shawn Igoe, Engineering Manager Ziad Mazboudi, Civil Engineering Associate Anthony Bendezu & Administrative Secretary Janice Truong

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS – None.

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

1. PRESENTATION –

1-A. Staff Update on Traffic Improvement -

Engineering Manager Mazboudi presented a PowerPoint and provided an overview on Traffic Safety Improvements.

a) Requests for various traffic investigations:

- City receives regularly similar requests to the following:
 - Installing a stop sign for speeding
 - Installing a crosswalk for pedestrian crossing
 - Installing a traffic signal on such street, etc.
- City must follow CAMUTCD requirements for any similar requests. Installing an unwarranted stop sign, crosswalk or signal puts the City in serious liability

b) Citywide Speed Limit Update:

- Council held a 1st reading of the Speed limit update ordinance on December 18th
- 2nd reading of the Ordinance is scheduled for January 15th.
- The new speed limits (of the 14 streets identified for speed limit changes) will take effect 30 days following the 2nd reading of the Ordinance

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c) Traffic Control Plans:

- A Traffic Control Plan is required for all encroachment permit or road closure
 - No formal traffic control is required for local streets with 25 mph and the use of the WATCH manual is also allowed
 - A formal traffic control signed by a civil or traffic engineer is required for major roads and arterials and busy intersections,

d) Day lighting Law enforcement takes effect on January 1, 2025

e) Potrero Grande and Market Place Signal and Traffic:

- There are now two left turn pockets, the #1 lane is left turn only, the second lane is a through that undergoes to Saturn Street and left and the right lane is a dedicated right turn. We also reconstructed a new handicapped ramp and installed a new camera to track cars to trigger the control to activate the signal.

f) Potrero Grande and Markland Signal and Traffic Upgrade:

- Improvement to the Caltrans signal project making #1 lane a through lane, left lane and right lane and the #2 lane a dedicated right

2. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

2-A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action Taken: The Traffic Commission approved the minutes from the regular meeting September 19, 2024.

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Wong, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Perez & Grajeda

Noes: Commissioners: None

Absent: Commissioners: Ma & Wong

Abstain: None

Action Taken: The Traffic Commission approved the minutes from the regular meeting of October 17, 2024.

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Grajeda and seconded by Commissioner Perez, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Grajeda & Perez

Noes: Commissioners: None

Absent: Commissioners: Ma & Grajeda

Abstain: None

3. **OLD BUSINESS** - None

4. NEW BUSINESS

4-A. SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Action Taken: The Traffic Commission appointed Commissioner Grajeda as the Chair and appointed Commissioner Wong as Vice-Chair.

Motion: Moved by Chair Ma and seconded by Commissioner Perez

Ayes: Commissioners: Ma, Perez, Grajeda & Wong

Noes: Commissioners: None

Absent: Commissioners: Allan Shatkin

Abstain: None

4-B. CANCELLATION OF DECEMBER 19, 2024 TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING

Action Taken: The Traffic Commission approved to cancel the December meeting.

5. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS -

Commissioner Perez asked about road classification and whether it is required to submit it to Caltrans for funding purposes.

Engineering Mazboudi responded that the road classification is included in the City's General Plan. Any changes to road classification within the City limits must be done as part of a General Plan amendment.

Chairperson Ma thank staff for helping and educating the commissioners by keeping them on top of everything.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.



Ziad Mazboudi
Engineering Manager
Staff Liaison to the Traffic Commission
City of Monterey Park