

CITY OF FULLERTON TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 2, 2021, 4:00 P.M.

City Hall Council Chamber 303 W. Commonwealth Avenue Fullerton, California

Transportation & Circulation Commission conducted this meeting in accordance with California Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Quinton Jones
Mark Klingsberg
Martin Leslie
Chris Norby
Anne Sim (via teleconference)
Brian Yanity (via teleconference)

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Moramay Sanchez

STAFF PRESENT:

Meg McWade, Public Works Director David Langstaff, Senior Traffic Engineering Analyst Dave Roseman, City Traffic Engineer Tony Bogart, Police Lieutenant (via teleconference) Lucinda Williams, City Clerk Kristi Nordell, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m.

OATHS OF OFFICE

City Clerk Lucinda Williams administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Jones.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. ANNUAL PRESENTATION ON METROLINK OPERATIONS AT THE TRANSPORTATION CENTER

Chair Norby advised the Committee that the representative from Metrolink was unable to attend, and her presentation will be given at a future meeting.

Commissioner Yanity noted his connection with the Rail Passenger Association of California and Nevada (RailPAC) and provided comments on current Amtrak train schedules and potential proposals for the future. He also requested some items for discussion at the next meeting with the Metrolink representative.

FERN DRIVE – EARLY MORNING PARKING

Chair Norby provided a brief history of the Early Morning Parking restriction in Fullerton and the exemption process.

Staff Member Dave Roseman presented a public request to repeal the 2:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. Early Morning Parking restriction on the south side of Fern Drive between Casa Blanca Drive and Barris Drive.

Public Comments:

- The following residents spoke in opposition to rescinding the Early Morning Parking restriction: John Kuster, Sharon Kuster.
- The following residents spoke in favor of rescinding the Early Morning Parking restriction: Brian Yount, Scott Cooper, Kristine Ersek.
- Maureen Milton asked for a copy of the Early Morning Parking street exemption map.

Staff Members Roseman, David Langstaff, and Lt. Bogart answered questions from Commissioners and responded to public comments.

Yanity moved, seconded by Norby, to recommend City Council repeal the Early Morning Parking restriction on the south side of Fern Drive, between Casa Blanca Drive and Barris Drive, as shown in the provided exhibit.

Motion carried 5-0-2 (Absent: Leslie, Sanchez).

3. WHITING AVENUE & MALDEN AVENUE - EARLY MORNING PARKING

Staff Member Dave Roseman presented a staff recommendation to repeal the 2:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. Early Morning Parking restriction on both sides of Whiting Avenue, between Malden Avenue and Harbor Boulevard, and both sides of Malden Avenue, between Wilshire Avenue and Whiting Avenue.

Public Comments:

- The following individuals spoke in favor of rescinding the Early Morning Parking restriction: Sara Gerzon, Eric Harper.
- Maureen Milton commented that, unless the law has changed, tow companies must be called out to tow a car from a private lot; they will not proactively tow cars without direction.

 Munish Bharadwaja commented that, under California vehicle code, tow companies can be contacted by private property owners to patrol their lots; however, there are some "bandit" tow companies that are showing up and towing without direction from the property owners.

Commissioner Leslie arrived (via teleconference) at 4:56 p.m.

Jones moved, seconded by Yanity, to recommend City Council repeal the Early Morning Parking restriction on both sides of Malden Avenue, between Wilshire Avenue and Whiting Avenue, and both sides of Whiting Avenue, between Malden Avenue and Harbor Boulevard, as shown in the provided exhibit.

Motion carried 6-0-1 (Absent: Sanchez).

STAFF/COMMISSION COMMUNICATION AND REVIEW OF CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

Commissioner Yanity asked for a future agenda item to discuss pedestrian walk signal timing.

Chair Norby asked Staff to look into increasing on-street parking availability adjacent to parks where possible, specifically near Rolling Hills and State College and on Bastanchury west of Puente.

Mr. Langstaff noted that City Council recently approved Resident Only Permit Parking on Old River Road.

Chair Norby encouraged members of the public and Commissioners to attend meetings in person in the future. Commissioner Klingsberg recommended everyone wear masks when in an enclosed setting for a prolonged period of time to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 p.m.