



Transportation Committee Minutes

Thursday, February 23, 2012, 7:00pm
Robertson Recreation Center
1641 Preuss Rd., Los Angeles, CA 90035

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

In the absence of a Chair, Doug called the meeting to order at 7:10.

Board Committee Members Present: Barry Levine, Harold Bock, Doug Fitzsimmons

Committee Members Absent: Erick Morales

II. General Public Comment

None

III. Old Business

None

IV. New Business

Discussion of the Committee's priorities

As this was the first meeting of the committee, the discussion centered on which issues the committee wanted to focus upon in the future.

- a. **Sidewalk repair ordinance.** SORO submitted a CIS on this issue in January. The City Council's Public Works Committee voted in favor of a bond and assessment district plan to fix sidewalks. Staff asked for 120 days to report back with updated costs and scope. Currently in limbo as the new PW chair (CM Busciano) has not indicated if this is moving forward.
- b. **Parking meters on Venice.** Community meeting held by CD 10 on Feb. 22 to brief neighbors and gather input. A proposed Parking Meter Zone on Venice and surrounding streets would mitigate impact from Expo Line (opening in Spring). Helms Bakery, attending residents all voted in favor. Committee will prepare motion in support of the PMZ: vote 3-0.
- c. **Overflow traffic in Beverlywood.** Report on meeting of Feb. 1 at CD 5 offices. Traffic caps on Motor are forcing excess traffic into Beverlywood; severe safety concerns at the parks. SORO NC has previously pledged support of Beverlywood position and committee will continue to do so.
- d. **Taming the traffic flow on Robertson.** It is possible that Robertson could more efficiently handle current traffic. Expo Line and Century City development will certainly mean more traffic in future. If plans to repave Robertson in near future are true, the time to act is now.
 - i. **Light timing.** Will request a traffic study to explore more frequent (but shorter) red lights.
 - ii. **Speed display monitor.** Speeding between Cadillac and Cattaraugus could be reduced with speed monitors.

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- iii. **Streetscaping.** A median between between Airdrome and Cadillac would calm traffic; the street is wide enough to accommodate it.
- e. **Planning for the Expo Line.** Once open, will concentrate transportation issues at Robertson and Venice. Culver City has already announced plans for high-density development in area, and it's likely to spread to both sides of Venice. Problem: how to draw people into SORO?
- f. **Encouraging bicycle use.** Create Robertson bike corridor to serve Expo. Explore restriping. A parking lot/structure on Robertson could reduce the need for street parking on both sides of Robertson--and create room for cycling lane. Emphasize cycling during redevelopment of Robertson Rec Center.
- g. **Traffic impact of Century City development.** Will add to through traffic along Motor (and Beverlywood) and Robertson. Actively pursue mitigation funds.
- h. **Repair of streets and alleys.** Status of Council's funds set aside in 2011 for alley repair? Request that Board members survey their Zones for streets and alleys in need of repair: addresses and (preferably) photos.
- i. **Santa Monica bus advertising.** Committee was less interested in this as an issue. Will monitor developments.

Nomination of Committee chair. Harold Bock volunteered to serve as chair. Vote to support the nomination: 3-0

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.