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Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Location only online: https://zoom.us/j/81561072782

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

- a. Joel called the meeting to order at 07:38.
- b. Committee Members Present: Ellen, Barry, Joseph

2. General Public Comment

- Lionel Mares - Letter from Michael Schneider from Mid city west, need to share and make sure everything is shared

3. Brief Committee Announcements

- Joel said that we don't have a place yet for meetings, but will figure it out as soon as we can
- Barry suggested the rec center
- Ellen said rec center is a no brainer, schools charge a lot
- Joseph would like us to discuss and take action on the Dept of Transportation to get involved in improvement of surface streets

4. New Business

- a. Approval of the Transportation Committee draft Meeting Minutes
 - i. Joseph moved, Ellen seconded
 - ii. Final vote: Yes-3, No-0, Abstain-1
- b. Jarrett Thompson CD 5 Transportation Rep
 - i. Homelessness, bicycling infrastructure are highest priority
 - ii. If you have areas for improvement, or want to do a walking or driving tour, let him know
 - iii. DoT is generally staffed at 2000, but currently at 1600, so very short
 - iv. First mile, last mile, Vision Zero are highest priority
 - v. Looking at a big bicycling project, looking at Westwood, but also Venice is an important one
 - vi. Fairfax and San Vicente are big bus priorities
 - vii. Expo bike path gap that's been held up by litigation, working on that
 - viii. Public comment:

- 1. Fabiola: Better Streets on Robertson. There was a lot of neglect over the original improvements, overgrowth, dirt, etc. Hope they can be taken care of.
- ix. Jarrett: Photos and locations are important, so send him an email.

x. Ellen:

- 1. Bus on Robertson is once an hour. It's impossible to use, so you can't get to the train station.
- Expo line isn't clean. Scary to use. Need to clean up the train.
- Biggest pet peeve is the off ramp/on ramps on Robertson. Exits at a High School. Would like the Councilwoman to have a seat at the table with Culver City to fix it because they always fight it.
- xi. Jarrett: Safety on Metro is a major priority. Talking about policing at the City level.

xii. Barry:

- 1. Is it a perception that the Expo and Metro aren't safe or are there stats?
- We identified spot for a bike lane on Robertson, but it would require obtaining land owned by Beverlywood HOA
- 3. Pet Peeve: When trees are removed to fix sidewalks, adds concrete.
- Also, La Cienega was paved today, and no one here was notified.

xiii. Jarrett:

- 1. Try to put big notices in newsletter
- 2. If you find a location with a ripped out tree, let him know xiv. Joseph:
 - 1. Is the quality of asphalt in surface streets a priority?
 - 2. What kind of heads up does the District get for projects?
 - 3. What was the gender equity study for Metro?

xv. Jarrett:

- 1. Potholes are bad. The rains have destroyed our roads this year. 35 lane miles of repaving per year in the district. Let him know what priorities are.
- Get a list of transit projects 1 month ahead for road work, but no schedule or timeline. As project approaches, they'll get a really specific notice. Will do his best to
- 3. The gender equity study covers why there are gender differences on public transit.

xvi. Joel:

- 1. Venice Mobility Project came to us last minute
- 2. Last mile is a problem
- 3. Bike infrastructure?

xvii. Jarrett:

- 1. Let him know if we feel like we're not being brought into the community
- 2. Something like Dash into SORO would be great

- 3. No specific bike things in SORO, but give suggestions if there are locations that have been discussed. Barry to send map of Roberston bike lane proposal.
- xviii. Jarrett: I'd like to attend as many meetings as possible. Let me know where we're going to meet.

5. Meeting adjourned at 08:35