



TRANSPORTATION and INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 19th, 2023, 7:00 pm

A. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Parolek at 7:02 pm.

2. Roll call

Commissioners Present: Noelani Fixler, Barnali Ghosh, Adrian Leung, Liza Lutzker, Bryce Nesbitt, Karen Parolek, Rick Raffanti, Kim Walton, Ray Yep

Staff Present: Farid Javandel, Noah Budnick

3. Public comment on items not on the agenda

7 public comments

4. Approval of minutes from regular meeting on November 17th, 2022

Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Yep / Lutzker) to approve the minutes, carried.

Ayes: Parolek, Leung, Lutzker, Fixler, Walton, Ghosh, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: Nesbitt, Raffanti

Absent: None

Motion passed 7-0-2-0

5. Update on administration and staff

Secretary Javandel (Public Works Deputy Director) and Public Works Manager of Engineering Joe Enke provided updates on the following: staff vacancies, departures and hiring and their impact on project delivery; Mr. Enke's departure and staffing transition; the 5-year paving plan; the 50-50 sidewalk repair program. No action.

B. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. T1 Update

Joe Enke (Public Works' Manager of Engineering) and Scott Ferris (Director of Parks, Recreation & Waterfront) provided an informational presentation on the \$3.3 - 4.6 million funding gap for phase 2 T1 projects and received commissioners' comments. No action.

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2. Hopkins Street, Gilman St. to west end

Farid Javandel provided a presentation to the Commission on the Hopkins Corridor Transportation Safety Project west of Gilman Street for the Commission to make a recommendation to City Council.

Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Ghosh / Parolek) to extend the meeting to 10 pm, passed unanimously.

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Ghosh / Raffanti) to allow up to 1-minute for individual's public comments, granted that up to two (2) members of the public may cede their time to one (1) other person for a total of 3-minutes, and that organizations may speak for up to 3-minutes, passed unanimously.

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

43 public comments

9:59 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Walton / Raffanti) to extend the meeting to 11 pm

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

10:55 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Raffanti / Walton) to extend the meeting to 11:30 pm, passed unanimously.

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

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10:59 pm Chair Parolek called for a 5-minute recess and for the commission to reconvene at 11:04 pm

11:29 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Parolek / Fixler) to extend the meeting to 11:45 pm, passed unanimously.

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

11:30 pm Commissioner Walton dropped due to technical issues

11:38 pm Commissioner Walton rejoined the meeting

11:44 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Fixler / Lutzker) to extend the meeting to 12 am, passed unanimously.

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

11:56 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Ghosh / Fixler):

The Transportation and Infrastructure Commission strongly recommends Option 3, to extend all safety improvement to Kains, with the following recommendations throughout:

- Maintain vehicle lanes at a maximum of 10 ft to slow traffic
- Consult with disability activists and incorporate as many disability accommodations as possible during the engineering phase. For example, add ADA painted blue spots or blue curbs, pavement treatments like high-contrast paint and high-visibility crosswalks
- Continue engaging with various groups to sort out details related to loading, app-based delivery services and parking availability. For example, identifying areas for loading zones and drop offs; working with private parking lots to expand parking access; and exploring a GoBerkeley strategy for more efficient use of parking.

For future projects, consider adding an engineering study considering making Ada Street a bike route and adding appropriate levels of street lighting for safety.

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And appoint Commissioner Fixler (with Commissioner Yep as an alternate) to speak on behalf of the commission at the City Council meeting on this item.

11:58 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Parolek / Fixler) to extend the meeting to 12:15 am, passed unanimously.

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

12:15 am Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Lutzker / Fixler) to extend the meeting to 12:30 am, carried.

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Walton, Yep

Noes: Raffanti

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 8-1-0-0

12:30 am Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Ghosh / Walton) to extend the meeting to 12:45 am and postpone agenda items B3 and B4 until a future Commission meeting

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

12:41 am Vote on the Hopkins Street, Gilman St. to west end motion (see 11:56 pm Action above), carried.

Ayes: Fixler, Lutzker, Leung, Ghosh, Parolek, Walton, Yep

Noes: Nesbitt, Raffanti

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 7-2-0-0

C. INFORMATION ITEMS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Information items can be moved to Discussion or Action by majority vote of the TIC

1. Council Summary Actions 2022*
2. [Link to Council and Committee Agendas and Minutes](#)

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D. COMMUNICATIONS

12:44 am Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Parolek / Fixler) to extend the meeting until 12:50 am, passed unanimously.

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carried 9-0-0-0

2 public comments on items not on the agenda

E. ADJOURNMENT

12:49 am Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Parolek / Yep) to close the meeting, passed unanimously.

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carried 9-0-0-0

Public Present: 101

Speakers: 58

The next virtual meeting of the Transportation and Infrastructure Commission is scheduled for Thursday, February 16th, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

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