

Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee Meeting
July 17, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

DRAFT AGENDA

Call to Order.

Approval of Minutes of March 2019 Meeting.

Agenda items for discussion are as follows:

LADOT Agenda Items:

Old Business –

None

New Business –

1. Consideration Requested by Don Sriro:

Request for enforcement of speed limit signs on Inglewood Blvd. between Navy & National, and on National Blvd., or suggestions for other traffic slowing measures for this area.

“My name is Don Sriro. I live at 3042 Inglewood Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90066. Been here for 46 years. I am also a block captain.

We have major speeding problems on our street between Navy and National. Many vehicles going south on Inglewood do not stop at the stop sign on Navy and Inglewood. We have contacted Sgt. Acosta about a machine that registers speed. We are lucky to some extent to have a speed hump in front of our house. It not only slows traffic but has been the cause of cracks in our walls.

The Fedex Trucks and the UPS Trucks and also the garbage trucks do not obey the 15MPS sign.

There is also a major speeding problem on National from Bundy to Barrington. Some cars seem to be going in excess of 50mph. We had another traffic problem this past week. The intersection of Inglewood and National a vehicle jumped the curb on the southeast corner and ran down the sidewalk for at least twenty feet.”

2. Consideration Requested by Richard L.:

Request for additional lane markings at the intersection of Palms & McLaughlin; and request for MERGE sign on Palms just west of Sawtelle.

“Heading westbound on Palms Boulevard as you’re passing the 405 freeway overpass just West of Sawtelle There needs to be a traffic merging sign where they turn from two lanes into one.

The next thing we need is heading on Palms Boulevard East bound as you are passing the McLaughlin intersection there needs to be lines to keep car in the left lane (this is where it changes from one lane into two) instead letting vehicles go to either lane. The reason for this is when drivers are making a right turn from McLaughlin Northbound to Palms Eastbound it dangerous because of the lack of lane clarity.

The last thing to improve traffic in the same area is when you’re heading northbound on McLaughlin Avenue and you’re going to make a right turn onto Palms Boulevard Eastbound the right turn lane is too wide. Drivers are very confused because the right turn lane is over 20’ wide. There needs to be a

separation point from the lane going straight along McLaughlin Avenue to make a Right turn to Palms Blvd. East Bound. “

3. Consideration Requested by Bob Gallion and Holly Tilson

Request for installation of a sidewalk on Rose Ave. between South Centinela Ave. and Colonial Ave.

“Hi Albert, I've been trying to help Mr. Gallion for months now. Could you add this to the next LADOT/LAPD/CD11 meeting. I will forward you all the correspondence so far. Just to clarify, this is not a homeowner request, this is a pedestrian request for safety reasons. The north and south bound bus stops and the high visibility cross walks are all on the south side of the Centinela/Rose intersection-Pic#2. It's logical for the pedestrians west of Centinela to use the right of way "sidewalk"/dirt path on the south side of Rose except it's an accident waiting to happen with city liability. Crossing to the north side of Rose is dangerous because of all the speeding cut through traffic. That first block is only about 120-130 ft long so a 4 way stop sign with cross walks would only back up traffic on Centinela and of course on Rose. Completely impractical. The installation of a sidewalk is the only thing that makes sense. If possible could you see if LADOT might give an estimate on it's cost?”

Holly Tilson MVCC Z6 Director

“I have been trying to get a 130 foot section of sidewalk installed in a very dangerous location for over a year. I have submitted two requests to MyLA311, #1-940143971 and # 1-943584891, that were both closed without action; my councilman with some response but no action and the Department on Disability. The current request 1-1220293301 submitted to the Department on Disability on 10/20/18 is still pending well beyond the prescribed resolution period. I read on line that the city considers a 1/2 inch sidewalk irregularity qualified for repair and the irregularity in this location is over a foot. I recently read an article about "Safe Sidewalks LA" and submitted an email request to them which was determined not eligible for the Sidewalk Repair Program as the Sidewalk Repair Program only repairs sidewalks and does not install new sidewalks as dictated by their funding regulations. Safe Sidewalks LA recommended contacting my Neighborhood Council. The city programs are intended to provide "safe paths of travel for people with disabilities to get from their homes to school, work or transit stops, including improving sidewalks needed by disabled people, with priority in residential neighborhoods that are necessary to provide access to bus stops or other forms of public transit". The request follows which is exactly the kind of location described in the city plans:

There is no sidewalk on the South side of Rose Ave between South Centinela Ave. & Colonial Ave. The ground is very irregular & sloped in this section which is a serious danger to seniors, mothers with small children & handicapped pedestrians especially when wet.

There are many seniors & mothers with small children in this neighborhood. The location is next to a bus stop that generates significant pedestrian traffic into the neighborhood West on Rose Ave which is the only access to this neighborhood for about 4 blocks. Please install a sidewalk here before someone is seriously injured and please respond with progress status.”

4. Consideration Requested by Mariana Lem:

Request for additional weight limit signs on Inglewood Blvd. & Palms, along with enforcement of existing weight limit restrictions on Inglewood Blvd.

“The residents who live on Inglewood Blvd. have seen a substantial increase of trucks, school buses and other large vehicles that exceed the posted weight limits since the road diet was implemented on Venice Blvd and more drivers are using the WAZE app.

Currently there are weight limit signs posted at the following intersections.

- Inglewood & Venice Blvd. (going north on Inglewood)
- Inglewood & National (going south on Inglewood)

- Palms & McLaughlin (going west on Palms)
- Palms & Centinela (going east on Palms)-no picture

However, enforcement of these weight limits is non-existent and truck and buses drivers ignore the weight limit signs. A number of years ago I submitted a request to the Traffic Committee that weight limit signs be posted at the intersection of Palms and Inglewood because we often get school buses and trucks turning south onto Inglewood from Palms. This request was denied. I am requesting the following:

- 4 Weight limit signs be posted at the Palms & Inglewood intersection (north, south, east and west)
- Enforcement by LAPD to ticket violators of the weight limit signs
- Outreach to the schools (LAUSD, First Student, etc.) to inform them of the weight limit signs and to inform the bus drivers not to drive on Inglewood Blvd. between National and Venice Blvd. and not to drive on Palms between Centinela and McLaughlin.”

The next Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/LAPD/CD11 Traffic Committee Meeting will be held on September 18, 2019, at Council District 11 West Los Angeles Office, 1645 Corinth Ave., Room 201, Los Angeles, CA 90025.