

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MONROVIA TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
HELD THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021**

In accordance with Government code Section 54953(e), and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gatherings, the Traffic Safety Committee made the determination that there would be no physical meeting location. Members of the public were encouraged to participate in the meeting remotely.

CONVENE: Vice Chair Todd Hull convened the Regular Meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee on Thursday, January 20, 2021, at 4:02 p.m.

In attendance via videoconference were Senior Management Analyst Christopher Castruita, Management Analysts Jocelyn Torres, Petra Beglarian, and Office Administrator Amy Hsieh.

ROLL CALL: In attendance were Vice Chair Todd Hull, Committee members Richard Gibson, Alex Tachiki, and Secretary Sheri Bermejo. All members participated via videoconference pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e). Committee member Lieutenant Kevin Oberon was excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: It was moved by Secretary Bermejo, seconded by Committee member Tachiki to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2021 meeting. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

REPORTS FROM PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEMS: None

NEW AGENDA ITEMS:

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND STAFF:

1. **Req. #2022-001- Committee Reorganization.**

Staff Reference: Christopher Castruita, Senior Management Analyst

Recommendation: Appoint a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Secretary from among its members.

Vice Chair Hull moved to elect Committee member Alex Tachiki as Chair of the Traffic Safety Committee, seconded by Committee member Gibson. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

2. **Req. #2022-002- 1540 S Myrtle Avenue. Business owner requests installation of red curb adjacent to business.**

Staff Reference: Christopher Castruita, Senior Management Analyst

Recommendation: Approve the installation of a red curb, and removal of the green curb at 1538 S Myrtle Avenue.

It was moved by Committee member Gibson, seconded by Chair Tachiki, to approve the installation of a red curb and removal of the green curb at 1538 S. Myrtle Avenue. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

3. **Req. #2022-003- N Myrtle Avenue from Greystone Avenue to E Hillcrest Boulevard. Resident requests traffic calming along block.**

Req. #2022-004- N Myrtle Avenue from Greystone Avenue to E Hillcrest Boulevard. Resident requests traffic calming along block and installation of 4-way stop at the Greystone intersection.

Req. #2022-005- N Myrtle Avenue from Greystone Avenue to E Hillcrest Boulevard. Resident requests traffic calming along the block.

Staff Reference: Christopher Castruita, Senior Management Analyst

Recommendation: Approve the installation of additional striping and signage along the block.

4. Req. #2022-006- Intersection of N Myrtle Avenue and Greystone Avenue. Resident requests improved visibility around the intersection.

Staff Reference: Christopher Castruita, Senior Management Analyst

Recommendation: Approve the extension of red curb along the eastern curbs of N Myrtle Avenue.

Public Input

1. Rob Lihani, Monrovia (via zoom)
2. Ashley Strain, Monrovia (via zoom)
3. Sandra Bordi, Monrovia (via zoom)
4. Elvio Sadun, Monrovia (via zoom)
5. Melissa Moran, Monrovia (via zoom)

Public comment was accepted by email to PWComments@ci.monrovia.ca.us prior to 2:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. The full text of comments were provided to all members of the Traffic Safety Committee.

1. Josh Tasoff, Monrovia
2. Brad Strain, Monrovia
3. Rob and Molly Lihani, Monrovia

Following a discussion regarding both Agenda Item No. 3 and 4, the Committee were in agreement that trimming the bushes adjacent to the intersection seems to greatly improve visibility, and thanked the residents for their effort in keeping the community safe.

It was moved by Chair Tachiki, seconded by Committee member Gibson, to install additional striping and signage at the intersection of N. Myrtle Avenue and Greystone Avenue contingent upon increased police presence to be coordinated with the Monrovia Police Department. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

5. Req. #2022-007- Pedestrian Safety Measures at Street Crossings.

Staff Reference: Christopher Castruita, Senior Management Analyst

Recommendation: Provide input on potential pedestrian safety measures at street crossings.

The Committee agreed by consensus for Staff to move forward with the proposed approach.

6. Req. #2022-008- Santa Anita Wash Bridge on Duarte Road. Residents request red curb painting.

Staff Reference: Jocelyn Torres, Management Analyst

Recommendation: Approve red curb painting on both north and south sides of the bridge.

It was moved by Secretary Bermejo, seconded by Committee member Gibson, to approve red curb painting on both north and south sides of the bridge. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND STAFF

Chair Tachiki reported that he attended a meeting with MOTAB earlier this week to discuss the installation of solar-powered rapid flashing beacons in Old Town Monrovia.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS: The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia Traffic Safety Committee is scheduled for Thursday, February 17, 2021; at 4:00 p.m., Virtual meetings will continue via Zoom until further notice.

ADJOURNMENT: At 5:11 p.m., Vice Chair Hull adjourned the meeting.