

MINUTES
MALIBU PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 3, 2016
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Saul called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were recorded in attendance by the Recording Secretary:

PRESENT: Chair David Saul; Vice Chair Chris Frost; and Commissioners Marlene Matlow, Meril May (arrived at 5:16 p.m.) and Carol Randall

ALSO PRESENT: Bob Brager, Public Works Director; Arthur Aladjajian, Public Works Superintendent; Lieutenant Jim Royal, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department; and Mary Linden, Recording Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mark Russo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Commissioner Matlow moved and Commissioner Randall seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried 4-0, Commissioner May absent.

REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA

Recording Secretary Linden reported that the agenda for the meeting was properly posted on January 28, 2016.

ITEM 1.A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 1.B. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chair Saul introduced Mark Russo, Volunteers on Patrol (VOP). Chair Saul announced that a member of VOP would be attending the Commission's future meetings.

Commissioner Randall expressed a concern about inadequate lighting at shopping centers and parking lots. She discussed the community's efforts to preserve dark skies. Commissioner Matlow stated it was the responsibility of the property owners to provide adequate lighting. Commissioner Randall suggested the City urge shopping center

owners to improve lighting in their parking lots. She discussed her recent fall in the Ralphs parking lot.

In response to Chair Saul, Public Works Director Brager discussed a lighting ordinance the Planning Department was working on for the City. Commissioner Randall stated the safety issue often went up against the dark sky issue. She stated it was important to consider both issues when drafting the ordinance.

Commissioner Matlow discussed a new home being built at Cliffside and Fernhill. She stated it included a skate park that would create a public nuisance. She stated she planned to speak at the Planning Commission when the project would be discussed.

Commissioner Randall stated she was no longer receiving notices of PCH Task Force meetings. She requested staff's assistance in getting her back on the email list.

ITEM 2 CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Matlow requested corrections to her comments regarding the Point Dume Traffic Management Community Meeting under item 4.D. of the minutes of the December 2, 2015 meeting.

Commissioner May arrived at 5:16 p.m.

ITEM 1.B. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS (continued)

Commissioner May reported that he spoke at a recent Planning Commission meeting regarding parking lot standards. He stated he talked about the Public Safety Commission's recommendation to Council on the issue. He discussed changes to the ordinance suggested by the Planning Commission.

ITEM 2 CONSENT CALENDAR (continued)

MOTION Commissioner Matlow moved and Chair Saul seconded a motion to approve the Consent Calendar with corrections to the minutes of the December 2, 2015 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

A. Previously Discussed Items

None.

B. New Items

1. Approval of Minutes – December 2, 2015

Staff recommendation: Approve minutes of the Public Safety Commission Regular meeting of December 2, 2015.

ITEM 3 OLD BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 4 NEW BUSINESS

A. Update on Projects Affecting Traffic on Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) and City Streets

Recommended Action: 1) Receive and file status updates on projects affecting traffic on PCH and City streets, including: a) Point Dume Traffic Management Community Meeting; b) Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Street Maintenance Project; c) Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) Parking Master Plan; d) El Niño Update; and e) Caltrans maintenance work; and 2) Provide questions to be asked during the City's biweekly conference call with Caltrans staff.

Commissioner May commended the City's work to seal and slurry City streets and clear shoulders.

Commissioner Matlow discussed ongoing problems with sand blowing from the beach onto Westward Beach Road.

In response to Chair Saul, Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian explained methods for reporting potholes to Caltrans.

In response to Chair Saul, Public Works Director Brager discussed the status of the PCH parking study.

Commissioner May discussed signs that need to be replaced at exits from several local pocket beaches.

Chair Saul inquired about the status of a problem power pole at the end of Broad Beach. Public Works Director Brager reported on staff's recent meeting with Southern California Edison (SCE) about the status of power pole replacement throughout the City. Commissioner Randall requested the problem of insufficient lighting on some power poles be discussed at the next meeting with SCE. Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian stated SCE was considering replacing bulbs in the future. He stated they would continue to bring it up in future meetings.

Commissioner Randall requested clarification of the goal of the parking master plan. Public Works Director Brager explained the City could not discuss parking restrictions with the Coastal Commission until a complete inventory was done. He stated the Coast Commission wants to ensure there will always be enough parking for beach visitors. Commissioner May asked if areas where shoulders were inadequate to exit a vehicle without entering the traffic lane could be designated as no parking zones.

In response to Commissioner Matlow, Lt. Royal explained that parking citations are not included in the Sheriff's monthly traffic collision reports because the tickets are processed through the City. He explained the Enforcement Index and its relation to the level of enforcement of accident-causing violations.

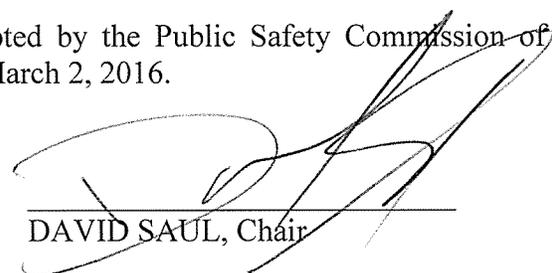
In response to Vice Chair Frost, Lt. Royal requested he be advised of locations where drivers habitually make illegal turns or cross the double yellow lines, so he could have deputies cover those areas.

Vice Chair Frost asked if deputies would enforce the new law prohibiting motorists and cyclists from wearing headphones or sets of two earphones/earbuds.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION At 7:00 p.m., Commissioner Matlow moved and Chair Saul seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved and adopted by the Public Safety Commission of the City of Malibu on March 2, 2016.



DAVID SAUL, Chair

ATTEST:

MARY LINDEN, Recording Secretary