

**SPECIAL MEETING  
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**Pasadena Presbyterian Church  
Gamble Lounge  
585 E. Colorado Blvd.  
Pasadena, CA 91101**

**Thursday, April 28, 2016  
4:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:11 p.m.**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Manoochehr Adhami, Neil Kleinman, Paul Backstrom, Jonathan Edwards, Greg Gunther, James De Pietro and Blair Miller

**City Staff Present:** Fred Dock, Bahman Janka, Mike Bagheri, Armin Kheirmand and Alejandra Flores

**3. COLORADO BOULEVARD ROAD DIET AND PARKLET PLAN**

Mr. Janka introduced Mike Bagheri, Completes Streets Manager. Mr. Bagheri presented the item answering the commissioners' questions.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT – LIMITED TO ITEM 3 ON THIS SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE**

**Erlinda Romo, Executive Director if the Playhouse District Association (PDA):** PDA board of Directors has not vetted the design of the road diet with the bulb outs as seen; it would be premature for the body to make any recommendation without input from the community.

**Jeff Cynlewski:** Asked staff questions regarding the project, Mr. Bagheri answered the questions.

**Joel Sheldon, Owner of Vromans Bookstore:** Opposes the project due to lack of community outreach, traffic concerns, design issues and financial issues.

**John Hornick:** Opposes the project due to the increase of traffic congestion and the negative effect to business this project would cause.

**Ken McCormick:** Is not knowledgeable of the project, but is not opposed and echoes the comment about moving cautiously. Put off an immediate recommendation due to the lack of community support.

**Sylvia Holmes:** In favor of parklets to make it safer for pedestrians.

**Bob Oltman (PDA and PMCA):** In favor of this project which will add a lot more energy and walkability for the community in addition to more parking spaces. Proposing to make the bulbs with less depth to create a right hand turn and a loading zone, parking spaces 9ft 4 inches would be adequate to create nine additional parking spaces referring the presentation design.

**Brian Wallace – Playhouse District Association:** Concerned about the valet zone.

**Carla Walecka:** In favor of the road diet, concept increases parking.

**Jim Talley:** In favor of the road diet.

**Kim Perez:** In favor of the road diet and parklets idea.

**Wes Reutimann – Pasadena Complete Street Coalition:** Supports the project, endorsing the improvement of street safety. Mr. Remtmann requested staff mention in the presentation the street safety of the project.

Chair Adhami opposes the project requesting to see bike lines and more community input.

**MOTION:**

Vice Chair Miller began the motion stating the Transportation Advisory Commission supports the road diet plan along Colorado Blvd. as proposed with the following recommendations:

1. Set clearly defined goals: these goals could include things like increase in pedestrian and bike safety and increase in pedestrian use.
2. Set metrics that would be able to measure these goals and set up defined studies pre and post on a schedule including using radar guns for speeds coordinating with Police and Fire.
3. Request a review of the red curbs on Green Street to see if additional parking spaces can be created.

Commissioner Gunther seconded the motion. Motion passed 6 in favor 1 opposed.

Vice Chair Miller proposed a task force to discuss the performance measures to be included for the project to keep the project discussions on schedule. Commissioner Gunther, Commissioner Backstrom and Commissioner Kleinman have been assigned to the task force.

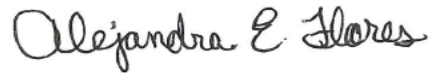
**5. ADJOURNMENT: 6:19 p.m.**

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Kleinman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Edwards seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the TAC will be a Regular meeting held on Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the 210 Conference Room at 221 East Walnut Street, Pasadena.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Alejandra E. Flores, Recording Secretary