

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF LA MIRADA
OCTOBER 27, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ojeisekhoba called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, La Mirada City Hall, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Ojeisekhoba.

ROLL CALL

The Public Safety and Traffic Commission was present with Commissioner Maldonado, Commissioner Meza, Vice Chairman Lynch and Chairman Ojeisekhoba responding to roll call.

The following staff members were also present: Assistant City Manager Anne Haraksin, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Sergeant Oscar Rodriguez, Traffic Engineer Bill Zimmerman, and Secretary Emily Benavidez.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2022

Vice Chairman Lynch moved and Commissioner Meza seconded to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2022 meeting of the Public Safety and Traffic Commission.

MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Commissioners Maldonado, Meza, Vice Chairman Lynch, Chairman Ojeisekhoba

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

COMMUNICATIONS

2. MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT – AUGUST 2022

Sergeant Rodriguez provided information on the Traffic Report for August 2022.

Commissioner Maldonado moved and Commissioner Meza seconded to receive and file the Traffic Report for August 2022.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Commissioners Maldonado, Meza, Vice Chairman Lynch, Chairman Ojeisekhoba
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

3. MONTHLY CRIME REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2022

Sergeant Rodriguez provided information on the Crime Report for September 2022.

Commissioner Meza moved and Commissioner Maldonado seconded to receive and file the Crime Report for September 2022.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Commissioners Maldonado, Meza, Vice Chairman Lynch, Chairman Ojeisekhoba
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

4. MONTHLY TRAFFIC STUDY STATUS REPORT – OCTOBER 2022

Assistant City Manager Haraksin provided an update on the Traffic Study Status Report for October 2022.

Commissioner Maldonado moved and Commissioner Meza seconded to receive and file the Traffic Study Status Report for October 2022.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Commissioners Maldonado, Meza, Vice Chairman Lynch, Chairman Ojeisekhoba
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

5. FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY ORAL UPDATE – OCTOBER 2022

Los Angeles County Fire Captain David Dombrowski addressed the Public Safety and Traffic Commission. He reported on the Fire Department’s activities. Los Angeles County Firefighter Embrey said that the Fire Department, in conjunction with the American Heart Association conducts a program called Sidewalk CPR that teaches compressions only based CPR. Los Angeles County Firefighter Selin offered Station 49’s assistance to recognize participants and help distribute certificates at the upcoming CERT graduation.

NEW BUSINESS

6. TRAFFIC STUDY OF LA MIRADA BOULEVARD AND SANTA GERTRUDES AVENUE

Traffic Engineer Zimmerman reported on the results of the traffic study for La Mirada Boulevard at Santa Gertrudes Avenue. Mr. Zimmerman said pursuant to the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices that upgrading the pavement turning guide striping on Santa Gertrudes Avenue and installing signage on the signal mast arm on Santa Gertrudes Avenue is recommended. In alignment with Caltrans policies, the installation of Botts’ Dots was not recommended at the location.

Mr. Pixler addressed the Public Safety and Traffic Commission. He requested the use of delineators to keep vehicles in the proper lane.

Commissioner Meza moved and Vice Chairman Lynch seconded to deny the request for the installation of Botts’ Dots on Santa Gertudes Avenue and La Mirada Boulevard; approve the upgraded pavement turning guide striping on Santa Gertrudes Avenue; approve the installation of signage on the signal mast arm on Santa Gertrudes Avenue; assign Commissioner Meza to study the location and report his findings at a future meeting; and direct the Traffic Engineer to determine whether a channelized lane extension is warranted.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

- AYES: Commissioners Maldonado, Meza, Vice Chairman Lynch, Chairman Ojeisekhoba**
- NOES: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Maldonado invited the Commission to the upcoming veterans’ events. He said the Salute to Veterans will be on November 7, 2022 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts. He said the Veterans Day Ceremony hosted by the VFW will be on November 11 at 10:30 a.m. in the Civic Center Plaza. He also invited the

Commission to the services for VFW Chaplain Richard "Rick" S. Bergquist who passed on October 19, 2022.

Commissioner Meza expressed his appreciation for the Sheriff's Deputies that work to keep La Mirada safe. He also thanked members of the public for taking the time to be involved in their City.

Vice Chairman Lynch reported that the Love La Mirada event was a success. She said that Love La Mirada is now a monthly event. She also said that The Whole Child is accepting donations for women and children.

Chairman Ojeisekhoba wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Assistant City Manager Haraksin invited the Commissioners to Halloweenfest and the Veterans Event. She also thanked the Commission for judging the Public Safety Poster Contest and wished the Commission a Happy Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the Public Safety and Traffic Commission adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Submitted:

Attest:

Emily Benavidez, Secretary

John Ojeisekhoba, Chairman