**NORTH WESTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Tuesday April 23rd, 2019, 6:30 to 10:00 pm

Kerckhoff Hall Room 316

308 Westwood Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90095

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order at 6:34 pm**, **roll Call**

Rosenthal, Peters, Rolemann, Parker, Tarighat, Snyder present, quorum met

Skiles, Daboussi, Wrenolds arrived later but before the consideration of any action items

**2. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

UCPD Lt. Kevin Kilgore

* Question from Parker regarding UCPD jurisdiction
  + UCPD has jurisdiction within 1 mile radius from any UC-owned building or property in California, which gives them statewide jurisdiction
  + Will respond to active crimes in vicinity of UC property/facilities
* Stakeholder Steve Sann asked about Roebling Block party in winter, UCPD response in the future
  + Kilgore said it was an impromptu event, police were unprepared but were watching for another one
  + Peters indicated that there was another Roebling block party planned for the next day, Wednesday 3/2 per the FB event

**3. Safety Issues**

**a. Public Safety Update**

* Officer Ragsdale: series of residential burglaries in Westside communities, provided a flyer with recommendations for home security

**b. Clean up of 10919 Strathmore Drive**

* Hearing was held, outcome unknown.

**4. Transportation Issues**

**a. Bicycle parking inventory progress report**

* In progress, waiting on 2 more reports.
* Initial impressions suggest insufficient or poorly placed bicycle parking
* Sann: Keep in mind that demand for scooter/bike parking is currently low

**b. Bike share and scooter parking**

* Representatives from LADOT, Uber/Jump, and Lime present
  + Downtown LA is piloting 30 designated scooter parking zones on the sidewalk
  + Possible alternative is removing car parking spaces, installing corral/ballards
* Jump can implement geofencing, give financial incentives for parking in specific places
* Lime also has geofencing, 311 line, foot patrol and 24 hour service vans
* Skiles encouraged in-app mechanisms to encourage pictures of correct parking
* Snyder requested that LADOT begin a plan to create new scooter parking in Westwood
* Jay Greenstein, Koretz’s transportation deputy, cautioned against removing car parking
* Sann asked about ways to restrict underage riders and multiple riding, concerned about insufficient enforcement of traffic laws
* Greenstein: enforcement responsibility is on traffic division of LAPD, not UCPD
* Officer Ragsdale: there is enforcement, but it’s an issue of competing priorities
  + Can use the non-emergency number to call in traffic violations

**c. Parking in North Westwood Village resolution**

* Tarighat spoke with Jasmine at Koretz’s office
  + Said that there is in fact a moratorium on apron parking enforcement in Westwood
* Snyder made a revised resolution which asks the city to enforce violations of traffic laws where apron-parked cars are blocking the sidewalk, to be considered next meeting

**d. Great Streets grant application update**

* The BID’s application has been submitted, NWWNC, GSA, and USAC supported
* Koretz’s office sent a letter of support

**e. Automatic recall of pedestrian buttons**

* LADOT is compiling a list of places to install them (roughly 5 intersections)
* Objection: would confuse pedestrians who would unnecessarily press the button
  + Also might negatively impact traffic on neighboring streets
* Ragsdale: LADOT has historically been opposed to traffic slowing without a citable safety issue
* Greenstein: get feedback from community on impacts of intersections singled out for potential automatic recall
* Sann: doesn’t see pedestrian crossing/street lights as a pressing issue

**f. VA bike/ped access to Westwood update**

* Safety issue crossing the 405 on bike
* Potential solutions being considered
* Sann: traffic through the VA/cemetery has caused issues in the past

**g. Sepulveda Transit Corridor project**

* Metro has been looking at transit concepts to connect the Westside and Valley and then down to LAX, refined the proposal down to 4 options that all stop at UCLA
* Snyder recommends the monorail option because it’s the most cost efficient option
* A committee recommendation will be made at a future meeting

**5. Adjourned at 8:26pm**