

CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS
Council Chamber
3191 Katella Ave., Los Alamitos CA 90720

TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, June 11, 2025 – 7:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Chair Mejia
Vice Chair R. Hill
Commissioner D. Hill
Commissioner Marchese
Commissioner Murphy
Commissioner Patz
Commissioner Rojas

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PRESENTATION

A. E-Bike Policy Update (Police)

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

At this time, any individual in the audience may address the Traffic Commission and speak on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Please state if you wish to speak on an item on the Agenda. **Remarks are to be limited to not more than three minutes.**

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

All Consent Calendar items may be acted upon by one motion unless a Traffic Commissioner requests separate action on a specific item.

A. Approval of Minutes

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. Traffic Commission Status Log

8. ITEMS FROM THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

9. TRAFFIC COMMISSION INITIATED BUSINESS

At this time, Commissioners may report on items not included on the agenda, but no such matter may be discussed, nor may any action be taken in which there is interest to the community, except as to provide Staff direction to report back or to place the item on a future agenda.

10. ADJOURNMENT

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing Agenda was posted at the Los Alamitos City Hall, 3191 Katella Ave. and online at www.cityoflosalamitos.org not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.



Vandine Ouk
Department Secretary
Dated: 6/05/25

MINUTES OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS

REGULAR MEETING – May 14, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Traffic Commission met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 14, 2025 Chair Mejia presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners: Chair Mejia,
Vice Chair R. Hill
D. Hill, Marchese, Murphy, Patz (absent), and
Rojas

Present: Staff: Chet Simmons, City Manager
Ron Noda, Development Services Director
Irving Montenegro Jr., Development Services
Manager
Chris Kelley, City Engineer
Nestor Rodriguez, Patrol Sergeant
Vandine Ouk, Department Secretary

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner D. Hill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Chair Mejia opened oral communications.

Chair Mejia closed oral communications.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

All Consent Calendar items may be acted upon by one motion unless a Traffic Commissioner requests separate action on a specific item.

A. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of April 9, 2025.

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Motion/Second: R. Hill/Murphy

Carried 6/0 (absent: Patz): The Traffic Commission approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2025 with noted revisions.

6. PRESENTATION

A. Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-26 and Fiscal Year 2026-27 by City Manager Chet Simmons

Traffic Commission asked and received clarification on the following:

- Los Alamitos Police Department and business owners have training and resources to address homelessness.
- The position of School Resource Officer is expected to be added.
- \$700,000 revenue represents the total fines throughout the city.
- Economic Development program similar to Los Al Bucks will return early next year in a new format.
- The city has no camping ordinance.
- Sign inventory and assessment are currently being conducted throughout the city.
- Safe Routes to School program will be implemented.
- Los Alamitos Police Department can generate a report on tickets before and after the red-light cameras were installed.
- The Commission Handbook provides details on the role of the board member and guidelines of their purview.
- Information can be requested through the City Clerk's Office or through Traffic Commission meetings.
- All projects are part of a master plan for the city.

Commissioner Murphy requested the salary and retention for The Los Alamitos Police Department, specifically of its officers.

Commissioner Marchese thanked City Manager Simmons and City Council for their quick actions on resident concerns.

Vice Chair R. Hill briefly discussed the following:

- Requested for the city to not reduce lanes in the Highlands neighborhood
- Requested a bridge or tunnel on Walnut and Katella Avenue to allow a route for special needs children from Los Alamitos High School to the shopping center
- Suggested extending the green light while the do not walk for vehicle traffic bike lane at Los Alamitos Boulevard to resolve the congestion issue

City Manager Simmons will have all questions distributed to the City Clerk's Office and answers will be sent by email to the board.

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Commissioner D. Hill suggested widening the sidewalks on Bradbury Road and Rossmoor Way.

Commissioner Rojas thanked City Manager Simmons and City Staff for all the work that has been done in the city.

B. I-605/Katella Avenue OCTA Presentation by Public Outreach Section Manager Calina North

Senior Project Manager Josue Vaglienty (OCTA) presented to the Traffic Commission.

Commissioner Murphy asked and received clarification from Senior Project Manager Vaglienty that message boards and noticing will be placed in advance.

Public Outreach Section Manager Calina North (OCTA) stated outreach will be done via social media and radio station ads.

Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. stated that City of Los Alamitos will also be conducting outreach to Los Alamitos residents and surrounding cities through various methods and social media platforms.

Traffic Commission asked and received clarification on the following:

- New traffic signals would be added.
- The westbound free right lane will be removed.
- Ramps will be widened to accommodate larger vehicles.
- On-ramp for 605 North will allow only one lane make a right.
- Porkchop island will be removed to increase acceleration speeds and improve motorist safety.
- The bike lane on Oak Street will remain.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. Traffic Commission Status Log

This is a traffic tool used by the Traffic Commission to track assignments and accomplishments.

Commissioner Murphy asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that the streets on Green Avenue and Howard Avenue may not be wide enough for angled parking but is currently being assessed.

Chair Mejia requested a follow up on item C1.

Chair Mejia asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that the striping plan for Katella Avenue will take a two phase approach including asphalt repair and striping.

Chair Mejia asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that the citywide signage assessment is in review and will come to Traffic Commission.

There were no changes to the Traffic Commission Status Log.

7. FROM THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Development Services Director Noda briefly discussed the following:

- Lexington Drive angled striping will be removed and a stop sign will be installed.
- Los Alamitos Boulevard striping modification – scramble crosswalk and bike lane relocation.
- Neighborhood Signage Survey results.
- Co-op Agreement with the City of Cypress for traffic lights and striping improvements for development of Sycamore Creek Charter School.
- July 3rd Event.
- Neighborhood Clean Up Day on May 17 from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Summer Concert Series Thursdays starting June 12 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Nites on Pine details to follow.
- Tree City U.S.A. recognition.
- Los Alamitos Community Foundation donated \$20,000 for additional trees in the City.

Commissioner Rojas asked and received clarification from Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. that there is a policy for tree removal and planting.

Commissioner D. Hill asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that the newly installed bike lane will be removed.

Commissioner Murphy asked and received clarification from Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. that household hazardous waste will not be a part of Neighborhood Clean Up Day.

The city is working on collaborating with surrounding businesses during Nites on Pine event.

8. TRAFFIC COMMISSION INITIATED BUSINESS

Traffic Commission asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda on the following:

- Implementation of the red curbs for the daylighting law is currently under discussion.
- The updated Speed Hump policy will be presented at the May City Council Meeting.
- Los Alamitos Boulevard merging lane will be assessed, and a new bike route will be installed.
- Painted stop bar has been assessed by Traffic Engineer Iranitalab.
- The intersection of Katella Avenue and Los Alamitos Boulevard will be assessed for a Safe Route to School path.
- Citywide Sign assessment was conducted.
- Report issues using the MyLosAl mobile application or email City staff.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second: R. Hill/Murphy

Carried 6/0 (absent: Patz): The Traffic Commission unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting until June 11, 2025.

The Traffic Commission adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Javier Mejia, Chair

Attest:

Vandine Ouk, Department Secretary

LOS ALAMITOS TRAFFIC COMMISSION STATUS LOG

ITEM	RECOMMENDATION	INITIATED	REQUESTED BY	REMARKS
A4	Katella/Cherry crosswalk on eastside of Katella Avenue	Jun-15	J. Mejia	Pending - Put on 7-yr CIP
A31	Vehicles in northbound left turn lanes on Los Alamitos at Katella back up into thru lane	January 2016	D. Emerson	Reviewing -Likely require capital improvements
COMMUNITY INITIATED ITEMS				
RECOMMENDATION APPROVED				
C1	Analysis of other intersections near all schools within City limits which might warrant the installation of a crosswalk	January 2019	Traffic Commission	Approved - pending implementation
C2	Street sweeping signage around the LAMC (initiated by excess trash and debris on the street)	January 2019	Resident	Approved - pending implementation
C3	Safety concern of accessibility on the southeast and northeast corner of Los Alamitos Boulevard/Bradbury Road and Los Alamitos Boulevard/Rossmoor Way	April 2021	D. Hill	Approved - pending implementation
C4	Review time limit parking signs in the city	June 2024	J. Mejia	Approved - in review
ITEMS FROM TRAFFIC COMMISSION				
E1	Striping plan on Katella Avenue	November 2023	J. Mejia	Item pending
E2	Guardrail on southeast corner of Katella Avenue and Los Alamitos Boulevard	January 2024	D. Hill	Item pending
E3	Traffic signal timing traveling west on Bradbury Road at Los Alamitos Boulevard	March 2024	R. Hill	Item pending
E4	One-way Street with angled parking in Midtown on Green Avenue and Howard Avenue	June 2024	D. Patz	Item pending
E5	Review 2-hour parking sign in front of 10841 Bloomfield Street to reserve for staff	June 2024	R. Hill	Item pending
ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL				
RECOMMENDATION DENIED				
D1	Installation of northbound speed limit sign on Bloomfield Street	November 2019	Resident: Art DeBolt	Denied
D2	Change the alley (between Farquhar Avenue & Howard Avenue) to be one-way only	November 2019	Resident: Art DeBolt	Denied
D3	Remove "Keep Clear" on Farquhar Avenue at Cherry Street	March 2016	D. Emerson	Denied
D4	Remove school signs for Laurel HS, which is closed	November 2015	Commissioner D. Patz	Denied per schools request

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ITEM	RECOMMENDATION	INITIATED	REQUESTED BY	REMARKS
D5	Modify pedestrian signal/sign for northbound right turns - east leg Bloomfield Street & Katella Avenue	January 2025	J. Wilhelm	Denied
D6	Request to add permit parking on Maple Street in Midtown	January 2020	Resident: Mark Giruad	Denied
D7	15 minute parking sign at 4012 Katella Ave, Suite 101	March 2020	Business Owner: Hai Nguyen	Denied - Spoke to owner
D8	Bring the traffic study for Shea Properties Arrowhead to Commission	March 2016	Commissioner J. Mejia	Denied