

MINUTES OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS

REGULAR MEETING – December 10, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Traffic Commission met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10, 2025, Chair Mejia presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

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

Present: Staff: Irving Montenegro Jr., Development Services
Manager
Chris Kelley, City Engineer
Gabriela Martinez, 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

A. Approval of Minutes

Motion/Second: R. Hill/Patz

Carried 7/0: The Traffic Commission approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2025.

7. DISCUSSION

A. Pine Street Project PS&E

City Engineer Chris Kelley introduced and shared the staff report with the Traffic Commission.

Traffic Commissioners asked for and received clarification from City Engineer Kelley on the following items:

Commissioner Patz asked and received clarification from City Engineer Kelley on the Class I and II bike lane distinctions, and which would be installed on Pine Street.

Vice Chair R. Hill asked and received clarification from City Engineer Kelley on decorative landscaping, specifically the type of tree wells on the medians along Pine Street.

Commissioners asked and received clarification from City Engineer on the funding source and preliminary amount for the project.

Commissioner Patz asked and received clarification from City Engineer Kelley on the parking locations in the surrounding area of Pine Street, particularly the parking lot that is privately owned. Additional parking methods would be provided with the updated layout.

Vice Chair R. Hill and Commissioners Murphy and D. Hill asked and received clarification from City Engineer Kelley on traffic light installation as a safety method to provide pedestrian crosswalk onto Pine Street.

Commissioner Marchese asked and received clarification from City Engineer Kelley Construction schedule to be determined but projected to be at the start of the 2027 calendar year.

Development Services Manager Irving Montenegro Jr. emphasized on the importance of the economic impact that this project would potentially draw for the City of Los Alamitos.

Chair Mejia inquired about the possibility of integrating bike racks and cameras. It was explained that the installation of electrical could allow for cameras, improved lighting and other methods for security and safety. There was also a mention of fiber optics.

Commissioner D. Hill shared an observation of tree maintenance and how it could be applicable with this project along the sidewalks.

B. Traffic Commission Log

Commissioner D. Hill asked about the reference for Bradbury Road sidewalk improvement in the Los Al Loop and received clarification from City Engineer Kelley on future progress. Commissioner Marchese confirmed it is the same as

C3 on the status log. Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. stated that the reference notes in the status log can be changed to “pending”.

8. FROM THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. briefly discussed the following:

- Two Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies: Laurel Dog Park at Laurel Park on Monday, December 15 at 3:00pm and Soroptimist Park on Monday, December 15 at 3:45pm
- Thanked Commissioners for attending Good Evening, Los Alamitos event on Tuesday, December 9 at the Community Center and the unveiling of the Los Al Link provided by Circuit and City of Los Alamitos. Soft launch in January 2026. Open to anyone that requires a ride in the City of Los Alamitos with some allowance in the outskirts of the City.
- Recreation Bucks launching January 2026 through May 2026 as an economic development initiative in partnership with Recreation and Community Services Department to help support local and play local. Spend money at participating in businesses and receive discounted rates towards select recreation activities during the winter and spring season.
- City Hall closed for two weeks during the holidays.
- Department Secretary, Gabriela Martinez to serve on her maternity leave starting in January 2026.

City Engineer Kelley shared a brief update on the Oak Street Improvement Project in the spring 2026 as part of the City’s pavement management program. Expected to begin during the 2026 spring season. Construction will consist of improvements to Oak Street from Katella Avenue to Sausalito Street, including grinding and overlay, replacement of damaged curbs and gutters, sidewalk repairs to improve drainage, and modifications to ADA curb ramps to meet current accessibility standards.

9. TRAFFIC COMMISSION INITIATED BUSINESS

Vice Chair R. Hill inquired about the merging lane from Los Alamitos Boulevard and Katella Avenue. City is obtaining quotes for the work.

Commissioner D. Hill inquired about the enforcement of vehicles parked illegally near the bus loading area.

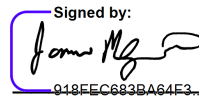
Commissioner Murphy referenced an article about the City of Los Alamitos being the most ticketed in California and expressed interest in daylighting law and red curbs to assist with the enforcement. Commissioner Patz recommended red curbs as well.

Chair Mejia showed appreciation for upgrading traffic lights to LED and improved visibility. Asked for an update on the Opticom lighting in sequence for emergency sensors across Katella Avenue. Asked for and received clarification on the terms for current commissioners and the change of seven (7) commissioners to five (5). The recruitment of reorganization of the Commission was postponed until further notice.

Commissioner Marchese expressed concern for the traffic signal out of sequence along Katella Avenue and Lexington Drive

10. ADJOURNMENT

The Traffic Commission adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Signed by:


918FEC683BA64F3...

Javier Mejia, Chair 4/18/2026

Attest:

DocuSigned by:


D407E2EEA21540F...

Gabriela Martinez, Department Secretary 5/3/2026