



**CITY OF MONTEBELLO
TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

MINUTES

MONDAY, JULY 28, 2025 AT 6:00 PM

**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1600 WEST BEVERLY BOULEVARD
MONTEBELLO, CALIFORNIA**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Beas called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chair Knox led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Chair Beas, Vice-Chair Knox, Commissioner Hernandez, and Commissioner Takeyama were present.

CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Chair Beas asked if there is any corrects to the agenda.

Commission Liason, Samantha Leyva, stated that there was no corrections to the agenda.

PRESENTATIONS

1. OVERSIZED VEHICLE PARKING REGULATIONS

Assistant Director of Planning provided a brief presentation.

Vice-Chair Knox inquired a question about the item.

Commissioner Hernandez asked about the requirements for oversized vehicle permits.

Commissioner Hernandez further inquired whether violators were given a grace period to become educated on the oversized vehicle ordinance.

Commissioner Takeyama noted that an oversized vehicle had been observed parked in a residential area.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (30 MINUTES)

At this time, the general public may address the Commission/Committee on any items listed on the Agenda, including items not listed on the Agenda (Non-Agenda Items) that are within subject matter jurisdiction. Please be aware that the maximum time allotted for members of the public to speak shall not exceed three (3) minutes per person. State Law prohibits the Commission/ Committee from taking action or entertaining extended discussion on a topic not listed on the agenda. Please show courtesy to others and direct all of your comments to the Chairperson.

Sylvia Martinez provided a brief presentation on Agenda Item No. 3 of the Traffic & Safety Commission meeting and stated that her mother was the applicant for the blue curb application.

Vincent LaRocca provided a brief presentation regarding the Bicycle Master Plan and Montebello Boulevard. He requested that staff review Hay Street and Via Costa due to speeding traffic and significant pedestrian activity, and suggested evaluating the feasibility of a roundabout in the area. He further requested that staff consider incorporating a Bicycle Master Plan component into the Montebello Boulevard Project.

MINUTES

2. APPROVE THE TRAFFIC & SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR JUNE 30, 2025

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the meeting minutes as written.

Commissioner Takeyama motioned to approve the commission meeting minutes for June 30, 2025, seconded by Chair Beas; the motion passed with 3 yeases and one abstention.

REGULAR BUSINESS

3. 828 NORTH HAY ST BLUE CURB APPLICATION

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Traffic & Safety Commission:

1. Approve the request for the installation of 15 feet of blue curb for the disabled parking space at 828 North Hay Street.

Public Works Director, Cesar Roldan, provided a brief presentation of the item.

Chair Beas asked if any commissioners have any comments.

Seeing that no Commissioner had any comments or questions, a motion was conducted.

Vice-Chair Knox motioned to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez; the motion passed unanimously.

4. TRAFFIC SIGNAL WARRANT ANALYSIS LINCOLN AVENUE AT REA DRIVE

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Traffic Safety Commission:

1. Receive and file the Traffic Signal Warrant Analysis study for the intersection of Lincoln Avenue and Rea Drive.
2. Approve the City Traffic Engineer's recommendation to install two radar feedback signs on Lincoln Avenue and locate each sign 400 feet east and west from Rea Drive.

Traffic Engineer Dennis Barnes provided a brief presentation on the item.

Commissioner Takeyama inquired about the criteria that were met.

Traffic Engineer Barnes stated that the criteria were not met and that the data reflected "no."

Vice-Chair Knox commented that the curb did not allow drivers to see oncoming traffic and stated that installing radar feedback signs on Lincoln Avenue would help drivers observe approaching pedestrians.

Traffic Engineer Barnes stated that if conditions changed, the topic could be revisited at a future meeting.

Commissioner Hernandez asked how long the radar feedback signs would remain in place.

Traffic Engineer Barnes responded that the signs would be posted indefinitely.

Chair Beas expressed concern regarding speeding in the area.

Traffic Engineer Barnes stated that the placement of the radar feedback signs could be adjusted along the street and suggested that staff conduct a field review to determine appropriate locations.

Vice-Chair Knox motioned, seconded by Commissioner Takeyama; the motion passed unanimously.

5. 748 SOUTH TAYLOR AVENUE BLUE CURB REMOVAL APPLICATION

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Traffic & Safety Commission:

1. Approve the City traffic engineer recommendation to approve the request for the removal of Disabled Parking space at 748 South Taylor Avenue as shown in Figure 3.

Traffic Engineer Dennis Barnes provided a brief presentation on the item.

Commissioner Takeyama inquired why the requester wanted the blue curb removed.

Traffic Engineer Barnes stated that the requester was not the original applicant of the blue curb.

Vice-Chair Knox stated that she did not want to approve the request since the requester was not the original applicant.

Traffic Engineer Barnes noted that the requester could reapply for the blue curb at a future meeting if desired.

Vice-Chair Knox motioned to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Takeyama; the motion passed unanimously.

6. 764 NORTH GARFIELD AVENUE APARTMENT 101 BLUE CURB REMOVAL APPLICATION

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Traffic & Safety Commission:

1. Approve the request for the removal of Disabled Parking space at 764 N. Garfield Avenue as shown in Figure 3.

Traffic Engineer Dennis Barnes provided a brief presentation on the item.

Commissioner Takeyama stated that although the original applicant no longer wished to use the blue curb, it could still provide a benefit to others.

Commissioner Hernandez stated that while the original applicant no longer needed the blue curb, others could still make use of it; however, if it were removed, future users would be required to reapply through the established process.

Vice-Chair Knox motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez; the motion passed unanimously.

7. 848 S. 5th STREET BLUE CURB REMOVAL APPLICATION

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Traffic & Safety Commission:

1. Approve the request for the removal of Disabled Parking space at 848 S. 5th Street as shown in Figure 3.

Traffic Engineer, Dennis Barnes, provided a brief presentation of the item.

The Commissioners had no questions.

Vice-Chair Knox motioned to approve the item, seconded by Commission Takeyama; the motion passed unanimously.

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE ORALS

Member announcements; requests for future agenda items; conference/meetings reports.

8. COMMISSIONER TAKEYAMA

1. **Recommending that a study be conducted to evaluate the installation of either a Solar-Powered Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) with push-button activation or a HAWK (High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk) Beacon at the crosswalk located at Olympic Boulevard and Allston Street, due to ongoing issues with vehicles failing to yield the right-of-way to pedestrians.**

Commissioner Takeyama provided a brief presentation on the item.

City Manager Raul Alvarez stated that the corridor was currently under review as part of a Capital Improvement Project and explained that the matter was outside the purview of the Traffic & Safety Commission; however, staff was evaluating the item.

Chair Beas noted that the item had been pending for over a year.

Public Works Director Cesar Roldan stated that an engineering firm was analyzing the entire Olympic Boulevard corridor and that it would not be a good use of funds to duplicate efforts while a Complete Streets Feasibility Study was already underway.

Commissioner Takeyama expressed interest in receiving a presentation on the corridor improvements.

City Manager Alvarez explained that staff required time to internally address such issues due to governance processes,

and noted that improvements were costly. He further stated that a HAWK signal was very expensive and often custom made, and requested that the Commission allow staff to return with an update at a future meeting.

9. VICE-CHAIR KNOX

1. Speed bumps located on San Antonio Drive

Vice-Chair Knox requested that the existing speed humps be replaced with asphalt speed humps. Staff said that a future paving project will install asphalt speed humps.

10. CHAIR BEAS

1. Recommending for an all-way stop sign at the intersection of Los Angeles Avenue and 5th Street, currently the intersection has stop signs posted on the North and South ends.

Chair Beas provided a brief presentation of his commission oral, states that there is a lot of speeding through the area which caused a car accident at this intersection. Requesting staff to look into posting a stop sign on the east and west ends of the intersection.

City Manager stated that staff will be presenting the item at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The City of Montebello Traffic and Safety Commission will adjourn to the next Regular Meeting on Monday, August 25, 2025, at 6:00 PM at City Hall Council Chambers located at 1600 W. Beverly Boulevard, Montebello, CA 90640.

I, Samantha Leyva, Management Analyst for the City of Montebello Department of Public Works, hereby certify that a copy of this agenda has been posted on or before Thursday, July 24, 2025, at 5:00 PM.

Samantha Leyva

Samantha Leyva, Management Analyst

Chair Beas adjourned the meeting at 7:02 PM.