

Minutes Regular Meeting  
Public Works and Sustainability Commission  
April 22, 2024

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach Public Works and Sustainability Commission was called to order by Chair Simpson at 7:00 P.M., in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California, and teleconference.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Bajaj, Beeli, Funabashi, Tsao, Vice Chair Arrata, and Chair Simpson

Commissioners Absent: Nafissi

Officials Present: Mike Witzansky, City Manager  
Lauren Sablan, Principal Engineer  
Andrew Winje, City Engineer  
Jesse Reyes, Capital Projects Program Manager  
Ryan Liu, Traffic Engineer

**C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Commissioner Bajaj led the Commissioners in a Salute to the Flag.

**D. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA**

Motion by Commissioner Funabashi, seconded by Vice Chair Arrata, to approve the order of agenda. Motion carried unanimously, with no objection:

AYES: Bajaj, Beeli, Funabashi, Tsao, Vice Chair Arrata, and Chair Simpson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Nafissi

**E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS - ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS**

**E.1. BLUE FOLDER**

None.

**F. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**F.1. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING**

**F.2. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC WORKS AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION MEEITNG MINUTES**

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Motion by Vice Chair Arrata, seconded by Commissioner Tsao, to approve the Consent Calendar Agenda Item F.2. Motion carried.

AYES: Bajaj, Beeli, Tsao, Vice Chair Arrata, and Chair Simpson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Nafissi

ABSTAIN: Funabashi

**F.3. RECEIVE AND FILE PUBLIC WORKS AND SUSTAINABILITY APPROVED PROJECTS STATUS UPDATES**

**F.4. RECEIVE AND FILE THE UPDATE ON THE NATIVE PLANTING AND POLLINATORS SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE**

Commissioner Funabashi stated he would like to abstain from Agenda Item F.2. as he was absent.

Chair Simpson opened the floor to public comments.

Principal Engineer Sablan confirmed there were no eComments and public comments.

Seeing no requests to speak, Chair Simpson closed the floor to public comments.

Motion by Vice Chair Arrata, seconded by Commissioner Tsao, to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion carried.

AYES: Bajaj, Beeli, Funabashi, Tsao, Vice Chair Arrata, and Chair Simpson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Nafissi

**G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

None.

**H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

**H.1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Chair Simpson opened the floor to public comments.

Principal Engineer Sablan confirmed there were no eComments and public comments.

Seeing no requests to speak, Chair Simpson closed the floor to public comments.

**I. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS**

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None.

**J. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION**

**J.1. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE PROPOSED 2024-25 FY FUNDING FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (CIP)**

City Manager Witzansky stated he is available to answer any question regarding the budget and spoke regarding revenue related to projects.

City Manager Witzansky responded to questions and gave explanation on property tax, sales tax, transient occupancy tax, utility user tax, voted indebtedness, capital projects and the cost, and Northrup Grumman, and grants.

Capital Projects Program Manager Reyes provided a presentation regarding Capital Improvement Program Status Update. The presentation included the following details:

- Outline
- CIP Importance
- Evaluation Criteria
- FY 2023-24 CIP Highlights
- FY 2023-24 Current CIP Projects in Procurement/Construction
- FY 2023-24 Current CIP Projects in Design
- Next Steps
- Estimated FY 2023-24 CIP Carryover Funding
- Draft FY24-25 CIP Budget
- Recommendation

Chair Simpson opened the floor to public comments.

Principal Engineer Sablan confirmed there were no eComments and no public comments.

Seeing no requests to speak, Chair Simpson closed the floor to public comments.

Motion by Vice Chair Arrata, seconded by Commissioner Funabashi, to receive and file the report. Motion carried unanimously, with no objection:

AYES: Bajaj, Beeli, Funabashi, Tsao, Vice Chair Arrata, and Chair Simpson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Nafissi

City Engineer Winje announced the budget will be presented to the City Council on May 21, 2024.

## **J.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUESTED ALL WAY STOP INSTALLATIONS AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF DIAMOND/GERTRUDA AND DIAMOND/GUADALUPE**

Traffic Engineer Liu provided a presentation regarding proposed all-way stops along Diamond Street at Gertruda Avenue and Guadalupe Avenue. The presentation included the following details:

- Vicinity Map
- Survey Response/Petition Signature Map
- CAMUTCD All-Way Stop Installation Guidance Criteria
- Other CAMUTCD Option Criteria
- Available Alternatives

Commissioner Tsao asked for clarification regarding parking spots.

Chair Simpson asked for clarification regarding speeding.

Traffic Engineer Liu answered the Commissioners' questions and provided clarification.

Chair Simpson opened the floor to public comments.

1. Jeanne Lux spoke in opposition to the stop signs.
2. Angela Ho spoke regarding speeding at the intersection and in support of the item.

Principal Engineer Sablan confirmed there was one eComments received and no additional public comments.

Seeing no additional requests to speak, Chair Simpson closed the floor to public comments.

Discussion ensued regarding a traffic study and budget response report.

Motion by Vice Chair Arrata, seconded by Commissioner Funabashi, to reject all-way stop controls at the intersections of Diamond/Guadalupe and Diamond/Gertruda, recommend to staff to seek additional funding from the City Council, and work with the school district. Motion carried unanimously with no objection:

**AYES:** Bajaj, Beeli, Funabashi, Tsao, Vice Chair Arrata, and Chair Simpson  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** Nafissi

### **J.3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE INSTALLATION OF A SPEED CUSHION ALONG THE 700 BLOCK OF N JUANITA AVENUE**

Traffic Engineer Liu provided a presentation regarding the installation of a speed cushion along the 700 Block of N Juanita Avenue. The presentation included the following details:

- Existing Conditions Map
- Speed Cushion Request: Petition and Timeline
- Engineering Study
- Study Results
- Speed Cushions – Proposed Locations
- Available Alternatives

Chair Simpson opened the floor to public comments.

1. Kurth De Moss spoke in support of the speed cushion.
2. Peggy Tran spoke in support of the speed cushion.

Principal Engineer Sablan confirmed there were no eComments received and no additional public comments.

Seeing no additional requests to speak, Chair Simpson closed the floor to public comments.

Motion by Commissioner Bajaj, seconded by Commissioner Beeli, to advance consideration of speed cushions along the 700 block of N Lucia Avenue to the City Council. Motion carried unanimously with no objection:

**AYES:** Bajaj, Beeli, Funabashi, Tsao, Vice Chair Arrata, and Chair Simpson

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Nafissi

Chair Simpson asked for clarification regarding the process of installation.

City Engineer Winje provided clarification.

Commissioner Tsao asked for clarification regarding speed cushion installation costs.

Traffic Engineer Liu spoke regarding speed cushion installation costs and staff labor costs.

#### **J.4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR THE SCHEDULING OF A PUBLIC WORKS AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION MEETING IN THE MONTH OF MAY 2024**

City Engineer Winje provided a presentation regarding May meeting date. The presentation included the following details:

- May Meeting Conflict
- Staff Recommendation

Discussion ensued regarding the commissioner's availability.

Chair Simpson opened the floor to public comments.

Principal Engineer Sablan confirmed there were no eComments received and no public comments.

Seeing no requests to speak, Chair Simpson closed the floor to public comments.

Motion by Commissioner Funabashi, second by Commissioner Tsao, to cancel the regular meeting of May 27, 2024 and select May 29, 2024 for a Special Meeting. Motion carried.

**AYES:** Bajaj, Beeli, Funabashi, Tsao, Vice Chair Arrata, and Chair Simpson

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Nafissi

#### **K. MEMBER ITEMS AND REFERRALS TO STAFF**

Commissioner Bajaj asked when Dominguez Park would be open and for an update on the pavers on the international boardwalk project.

City Engineer Winje stated Dominguez Park is planned to open by late summer early fall and spoke regarding international boardwalk project.

Commissioner Funabashi asked for project completion dates regarding the two pump stations on Yacht Club Way and Portofino.

City Engineer Winje stated those projects have not been completed. The contractor is temporarily not working during BeachLife Festival and will continue working after the event to late this calendar year or early next year.

Commissioner Beeli asked for an update on the D5 City-Wide Slurry Project and effects of additional housing units to the community related to quality of life.

City Engineer Winje provided an update and spoke regarding the project and housing units' effect.

Chair Simpson requested a water fountain be fixed at Andrews Parks.

City Engineer Winje spoke regarding Access Redondo and announced he has been appointed Director of Public Works and he has appointed Lauren Sablan as Acting City Engineer.

#### **L. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Tsao, second by Commissioner Bajaj, to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 P.M. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Bajaj, Funabashi, Nafissi, Tsao, Vice Chair Arrata, and Chair Simpson

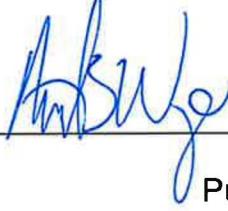
**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Beeli

The next meeting of the Redondo Beach Public Works and Sustainability Commission will be a special meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M. on May 29, 2024, in the Redondo Beach Council Chambers, at 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

All written comments submitted via eComment are included in the record and available for public review on the City website.

Respectfully submitted:



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Andrew Winje  
Public Works Director

