



**CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA
PUBLIC WORKS INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION**

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025, AT 6:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the South Pasadena Public Works Infrastructure Commission (PWIC) was called to order by Chair L. Abelson on Wednesday, June 11, 2025 at 6:32 P.M. in the City Hall Chambers, 1424 Mission Street, South Pasadena, California.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT

Chair	Larry Abelson
Commissioner	Eric Dunlap
Commissioner	David Maling
Commissioner	Russell Kerwin
Commissioner	Avin Sharma
Commissioner	Sam Hernandez
Commissioner	Michelle Hammond
City Council Liaison	Omari Furguson

ABSENT

Vice-Chair	Hannah Brunelle
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Phillip Tran, Management Analyst, announced a quorum.

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Bassam Al-Beitawi, Transportation Program Manager ("TPM"),
Michael Vartanians, Principal Engineer ("PE"),
Reyna Salazar-Martin, Management Analyst,
Phillip Tran, Management Analyst,
Danielle Garcia, Management Analyst,
Rigoberto Escobedo, Management Assistant, were all present at Roll Call.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

In Person Public Comments- General (Non-Agenda Items)

None

In Person Public Comment Submissions-Comment on Agenda Items

None

Comments Received by Email (posted on website and given to Commission prior to meeting)

None

ACTION/DISCUSSION

2. TREE ORDINANCE REVIEW

Item presented by Management Analyst D. Garcia. Staff invite any feedback. No action required.

Public Comment

None

3. FY 25-26 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Presented by PE M. Vartanians. No action by Commission required.

Public Comment:

None

Commissioner Sharma requested if Staff can agendize City Funding Strategy in a future meeting.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL PUBLIC WORKS INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION (PWIC) MEETING ON MAY 20, 2025

Item presented by Staff R. Salazar-Martin

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission review and consider approval of the May 20, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes.

COMMISSION ACTION AND MOTION

A motion was made by Commissioner S. Hernandez, seconded by Commissioner D. Maling and approved by roll call voice vote to approve the May 20, 2025 amended PWIC Special Meeting Minutes. The motion carried 6-0-1, by the following vote:

AYES: Dunlap, Abelson, Kerwin, Sharma, Maling, Hernandez

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: Brunelle

ABSTAINED: Hammond

COMMUNICATIONS

5. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMUNICATIONS

City Council Liaison O. Ferguson shared his thoughts on the new Permit Process presented during the Tree Ordinance presentation.

6. COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Maling proposed for PWIC to meet at earlier time.

Commissioner Kerwin expressed he would like to expedite Mission Slow Street Project from being finished FY28-29 to FY26-27 if feasible.

Commissioner Dunlap echoed Commissioner Kerwin's comments on Mission Slow Streets Project and would like to have it completed before Olympics are held in Los Angeles.

Commissioner Hernandez raises his concerns of the current condition of the K-rails on Mission Street, and echoed Commissioner Maling's suggestion on starting the PWIC at an earlier time.

Commissioner Sharma thanked Staff for their efforts.

Commissioner Hammond shared her suggestion on schedule of Work Plan, concurred with Commissioner Hernandez on Staff addressing conditions for K-rails on Mission Street, but wanted to advise that changing start time of PWIC to an earlier time may limit participation.

Chair Abelson requested update on the Neighborhood Traffic Management. TM B. Al-Beitawi confirmed that item is still under review and being updated, and completion timeline is approximately August-September 2025.

7. STAFF LIAISON COMMUNICATIONS

PE M. Vartanians thanked Commission for their continued dedication and Staff for their efforts.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further matters, Chair L. Abelson adjourned the meeting of the Public Works Infrastructure Commission at 9:15 P.M. to the next Regular Public Works Infrastructure Commission meeting scheduled for July 9, 2025.

Respectfully submitted:

Michael Vartanians
Staff Liaison, Principal Engineer

APPROVED:

Larry Abelson
Public Works Infrastructure Commission Chair

Approved at Public Works Infrastructure Commission: July 9, 2025