

**CITY OF REDLANDS  
TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
Thursday, July 25, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**1. ATTENDANCE & CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairperson Eric Shamp.

Roll Call:

**Present**

Commissioners:

Eric Shamp  
Cassie MacDuff  
Kevin Morningstar  
Bill Waddell  
Carl Davis  
Andrew Hoder  
Benjamin D. Perez (arrived at 6:40 pm)

Staff:

Ryan Steinhaus, PD  
Johana Silva, MUED  
Goutam Dobey, MUED  
John Harris, MUED

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morningstar and seconded by Commissioner Hoder to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 23, 2024. By roll call vote of 5-0, the motion carried and Vice Chair MacDuff abstained.**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

**4A. *Request to establish time restricted parking on Columbia Street between Colton Avenue and Sun Avenue***

Ms. Silva reported that during the last TPC meeting, residents of Columbia Street raised concerns about parking issues related to the Slow Bloom Coffee Shop. Residents noted that patrons and employees of the shop were parking for extended periods on Columbia Street between Sun Avenue and Colton Avenue, leading to disruptions such as blocked street cleaning, trash pick-up, and visitor access. They requested a 20-minute time-restricted parking zone, with residential permits for long-term parking. Slow Bloom Coffee, however, expressed that 20 minutes would be insufficient for their customers and suggested a 2-hour parking limit instead. It was also noted that most

Columbia Street residents have access to off-street parking via driveways or adjacent alleys.

Jodi Maglasang, a resident, expressed concerns about increased parking in the Columbia Street residential neighborhood, attributing it to the Slow Bloom Coffee Cooperative.

Adelina Burke, another resident, mentioned the lack of parking on Columbia Street and suggested that business patrons should park on Colton Avenue.

Evan Costello, representing Slow Bloom Coffee, stated that the current 20-minute parking limit is too short for their customers and proposed a compromise of a 2-hour parking zone.

Ryan Berima, also representing Slow Bloom Coffee, provided background on the coffee shop, its location, and how the parking zone affects the business, advocating for a 2-hour time-restricted parking zone.

Sean McLeod, speaking on behalf of Slow Bloom Coffee, reiterated that the 20-minute parking zone is insufficient for customers and supported a 2-hour limit, citing safety concerns with parking on Colton Avenue.

Questions were raised regarding the zoning in the area and whether similar parking zones with residential permits exist elsewhere, as well as the feasibility of enforcing a parking zone in this area. Staff clarified that the area falls under the Transit Plan Corridor south of the alley and the Transition Zone north of the alley. Staff noted similar timed parking zones exist near Beaver Medical Center. They also mentioned that a 20-minute parking zone would be challenging to enforce. Vice Chair MacDuff suggested parking stall striping on the north side of Colton Avenue and proposed that employees voluntarily pick up litter in the area. Ms. Silva explained the process for obtaining a residential parking permit. The commission deliberated on whether to implement a 1-hour or 2-hour parking zone and whether the zone should extend south of the alley.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair MacDuff and seconded by Chairperson Perez to establish a 1-hour time-restricted parking zone on Columbia Street between Sun Avenue and Colton Avenue between 6 AM to 8 PM and request Staff agendaized striping on Colton Avenue. The motion did not receive a second and failed.**

**A second motion was made by Vice Chair MacDuff and seconded by Chairperson Perez to establish a 1-hour time-restricted parking zone on Columbia Street between Sun Avenue and the Alley and a 2-hour time-restricted parking zone on Columbia Street between Colton Avenue and the Alley between 6 AM to 8 PM. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 4-3.**

## **5. OLD BUSINESS**

**5A. *Request for crosswalk improvements in the intersection of Highland Avenue and Cajon Street***

Mr. Harris reminded the commission that this item was discussed at the previous meeting, where staff was asked to present potential improvements. He presented a concept drawing for corner improvements at the south end of the Highland Avenue/Cajon Street intersection, which included a ramp and crosswalks, as well as another concept drawing for a sidewalk along Prospect Park, along with the associated costs for these improvements.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Davis, seconded by Commissioner Hoder, to install crosswalks and a paved landing pad at the south corner of the Highland Avenue/Cajon Street intersection. The motion failed by a roll call vote of 3-4.**

**5B. *Review and clarify Traffic and Parking Commission responsibilities and consider ordinance updates***

**This item was tabled to the next meeting.**

**6. COMMUNICATIONS**

**6A. *Al Harris/3rd Street parking restrictions update***

Mr. Harris informed the commission that after the failed motion regarding the Al Harris/3rd Street parking restrictions, the applicant requested to bring the matter directly to the City Council. Following discussions among staff, the City Manager, and the business, it was decided to proceed with presenting the request to the City Council, where it was approved.

**6B. *Safety report on intersection collisions update***

Sgt. Steinhaus reminded the commission of his intersection collision presentation from the previous meeting, where he provided a comprehensive traffic collision report covering January 2022 to December 2023. During that meeting, the commission had questions about a map highlighting collision hotspots at intersections with traffic lights and stop signs. The commission specifically requested more details regarding the 341 accidents recorded at or near the Colton Avenue/Redlands Boulevard intersection, seeking a deeper understanding of the factors contributing to these incidents. Sgt. Steinhaus clarified that the system logs incidents with unknown locations at the city yard, which accounts for the unusually high number of accidents reflected at that location.

**6C. *California Street and Redlands Boulevard left turn lane extension***

Ms. Silva provided an update on a previous request by Vice Chair MacDuff, informing the commission that the left turn lane extension had been recommended in the Left Turn Pocket Study. She added that FCS is in the process of contracting the work, with installation expected to be completed by the end of the year.

**6D. *Ford Street and Redlands Boulevard signal timing update***

Ms. Silva noted that the intersection functions as an on/off ramp to the I-10 freeway and is under Caltrans' jurisdiction. She provided an update, stating that after a site visit, Caltrans has addressed the timing concerns at this intersection.

**6E. *Ten (10) requests from Richard Hernandez***

Ms. Silva informed the commission of traffic concerns raised by Richard Hernandez, which will be presented at an upcoming meeting.

**6F. *Review of parking time limit signs at 25 Sixth Street***

Commissioner Hoder noted that the parking time limit signs at 25 Sixth Street are badly faded and currently indicate a 12-minute limit. He questioned the rationale behind such a short limit at this location, especially since adjacent signs provide a 2-hour limit. He suggested that the signs be replaced as part of regular maintenance.

Ms. Silva stated that the resolution for the 12-minute green zone was adopted in October 1967, but the staff report detailing the reasoning behind the zone could not be located. Conversations with local businesses revealed that they do not have any issues with the zone and prefer not to pursue its removal.

**6G. *Curb markings for fire hydrant parking restrictions***

Commissioner Hoder expressed concern about the lack of curb markings for parking restrictions, specifically near fire hydrants. While he understands that the California Vehicle Code prohibits parking within 15 feet of a fire hydrant, he believes curb markings would provide helpful visual guidance.

**6H. *Obstruction of traffic signs by tree limbs and foliage***

Commissioner Hoder addressed the issue of tree limbs and foliage obstructing traffic signs and recommended that any such obstructions be reported to FCS for trimming.

**6I. *Status of Traffic and Parking Commission FY23/24 budget***

An overview of the 2023-2024 fiscal year budget for TPC items has been provided, including a detailed breakdown of expenditures and project allocations. To utilize the

remaining funds, staff purchased 10 Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) for five locations, along with two red flashing beacons designated for the Highland/Cajon intersection. There will be no budget allocated for the TPC in the next fiscal year.

**6J. Status of work orders**

The item was not discussed due to time constraints.

**7. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES, AND/OR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Chairperson Shamp asked if there were any comments or requests for future agenda items by the commission.

Items requested for the next regular Commission meeting agenda were as follows:

*Colton Avenue Striping* – Request for parking stall striping on the north side of Colton Avenue near Slow Bloom Coffee.

**8. ADJOURNMENT** – Next regular meeting will be held on January 23, 2025.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Shamp at 8:17 p.m.