



# CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA

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## AGENDA

### **Freeway and Transportation Commission**

Tuesday, January 20, 2014 at 6:30 pm

City Manager's Conference Room, Second Floor City Hall  
1414 Mission Street, South Pasadena, CA 91030

Chairman: William Sherman

Vice Chairman: Alan Reynolds

Secretary: Daniel M. Evans

Commissioners: Richard Helgeson, Joanne Nuckols

City Council Liaison: Council Member Richard D. Schneider, M.D.

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Minutes of the November 18 and December 16, 2014 Regular Meeting
3. Commissioner Comments
4. Council Liaison Comments
5. Staff Comments
6. Public Comments (Items not on the Agenda)
7. Discussion Items:
  - A. Strategic Planning Goals
  - B. Fremont Avenue Plan
  - C. Rogan Project Updates
    1. Fair Oaks Signal Synchronization
  - D. SR-710
    1. Caltrans Affordable Sales Program Update
    2. Draft EIR/EIS Update
8. Agenda Input
9. Adjournment

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I declare under penalty of perjury that I posted this agenda on the bulletin board in the courtyard of City Hall at 1414 Mission Street, South Pasadena as required by State Law.

Date: January 15, 2015

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Margaret Lin

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
 FREEWAY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
 OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA  
 CONVENED THIS 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2014 6:50 P.M.  
 CITY MANAGER'S CONFERENCE ROOM  
 1414 MISSION STREET**

<b>1. ROLL CALL</b>	The regular meeting of the Freeway and Transportation Commission was convened at 6:50 p.m. Commissioners present: Helgeson, Nuckols, and Reynolds; Commissioners absent: Evans and Sherman; Council Liaison: Schneider present and Staff present: Principal Management Analyst (PMA) Lin.
<b>2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 18, 2014 REGULAR MEETING</b>	The Commission postponed the approval of the minutes due to the lack of a quorum.
<b>3. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS</b>	None.
<b>4. COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS</b>	None.
<b>5. STAFF COMMENTS</b>	<p>PMA Lin reported back that the lights at Columbia Street and State Street are controlled by the City.</p> <p>PMA Lin also reported that there were no previous cost estimates provided for the Fremont Avenue Plan and a cost estimate would require more detailed design plans. Councilmember Schneider and Commissioner Nuckols mentioned that the Design Advisory Group had been presented a priority list of projects that included cost estimates.</p> <p>PMA Lin reported that the City received a petition from Metro requesting to change the Gold Line's speed limit at Avenue 45 from 20 mph to 45 mph. The petition states the current gate arms are down from 90-120 seconds and exceeds the standard warning time of 20-30 seconds. Staff would be going out to measure how long the gate arms are down in the City. Commissioner Nuckols inquired about the request for Metro to change the counterweights. PMA Lin informed the commission that Metro had ordered the wrong counterweights and were waiting for the correct counterweights to arrive. Councilmember Schneider commented on the fast signal changes at Mission Street and Meridian Avenue and requested a reassessment of the intersection to consider restricting left turns from Meridian Avenue.</p>
<b>6. PUBLIC COMMENTS (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)</b>	None.
<b>7. DISCUSSION ITEMS</b>	

<p><b>I. Strategic Planning Goals</b></p>	<p>PMA Lin informed the Commission that the City is undergoing its strategic planning process and asked the Commission to develop up to three goals for the year.</p> <p>After some discussion the Commissioners established the following goals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Eliminate the 710 freeway and promote a subregional transportation plan</li> <li>2. Mitigate impacts from the Metro Gold Line Extension</li> <li>3. Improve traffic flow on local roadways and existing freeways for all users</li> </ol>
<p><b>II. Connecting Pasadena Plan Update</b></p>	<p>PMA Lin reported that the West Pasadena Residents Association has held 2 workshops with approximately 180 participants. The Connecting Pasadena Plan (Plan) includes two land use development options and two transportation goals. The City of Pasadena has also created their own task force to evaluate these options and does not have an official position on the Plan yet.</p>
<p><b>III. SR-710</b> <b>a. Caltrans Affordable Sales Program</b></p>	<p>PMA Lin reported that Caltrans is still working on revising the proposed regulations and anticipates having a final draft ready in January.</p>
<p><b>b. Draft EIR/EIS Update</b></p>	<p>PMA Lin reported that there were no updates regarding the EIR/EIS and that it is still scheduled for release in February 2015.</p>
<p><b>8. AGENDA INPUT</b></p>	<p>The Commission requested that the following items be placed on the next agenda: Fremont Avenue Plan Cost Estimates, Fair Oaks Signal Synchronization Options, and Rogan Project Update.</p>
<p><b>9. ADJOURNMENT</b></p>	<p>By consensus, the Commission adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m. The next Commission meeting will be held on January 20, 2015.</p>

Approved By:

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William Sherman  
Chair