

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
PARKING AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
March 23, 2023**

A. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Parking and Public Improvements Commission of the City of Manhattan Beach, California was held in hybrid format (Zoom Call and in person at City Hall, 1400 Highland Avenue, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266) on March 23, 2023 at the hour of 4:04pm.

B. PLEDGE TO FLAG

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners DaGiau, Kirschenbaum, and Chair Paralusz
Absent: D’Amico, Apostol
Staff Present: Erik Zandvliet, Traffic Engineer
Clerks: Fel Cortez, Agenda Host

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

03/23/23-1 Regular Meeting – February 23, 2023

MOTION: It was moved and seconded (**Kirschenbaum/DaGiau**) to approve the minutes without corrections.

AYES: DaGiau, Kirschenbaum, Chair Paralusz
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: D’Amico, Apostol

E. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (3-minute Limit)

Chair Paralusz opened Audience Participation.

There were no speakers.

Chair Paralusz closed audience participation.

F. GENERAL BUSINESS

03/23/23-2 Consider a Request for a Red No Parking Zone on the North Side of Boundary Place across from 610/614 Boundary Place

Traffic Engineer Zandvliet presented the staff report. In January 2023, a petition was received from Jason Clark and Steve Farrone, residents on the south side of Boundary Place in the City of Hermosa Beach, requesting the installation of a red no parking zone on the north side of Boundary Place east of their driveway because parking on the street interferes with driveway access and trash pick-up, which has resulted in damage to adjacent properties and vehicles. Mr. Zandvliet explained that the City received a separate request for a no parking restriction on trash days to provide a wider street width for trash pick-up which was approved, but the signs have not yet been installed. Parking is already prohibited on the south side of the street, as well as across neighbor garages. Currently, there are four parking spaces available on the north side of Boundary Place, and the requested red zone would eliminate one space. Based on limited parking availability and pending parking restrictions on trash days, staff recommends that the Commission approve a motion denying a red zone on the north side of Boundary Place east of the driveway for 610/614 Boundary Place.

Chair Paralusz asked if there was a specific time of the day where traffic flow is heaviest. **Traffic Engineer Zandvliet** responded that traffic volume is light; however, the parking demand is heavy.

Chair Paralusz opened Public Comment.

Steve Farrone (609 Longfellow Avenue) stated that if the original home construction had built a double wide driveway, they would not be having this conversation. He further stated that multiple accidents have occurred. **Mr. Farrone** provided a visual document to further show the existing conditions of Boundary Place, which was distributed to the commissioners for review.

David Dameron (819 Boundary Place) stated that the parking space is usually occupied for long periods. He further stated that even when the space is empty, he has observed drivers using his driveway to turn into the opposing driveway. He stated he is in favor of removing the parking spaces to alleviate the issue.

Jason Clark (614 Boundary Place) stated that when he first considering purchasing their home, the tight driveway access discouraged him from buying it. **Mr. Clark** stated how difficult it is to do 3-4 point turns to get in and out of the driveway and explained that his wall has been damaged by trash trucks. Mr. Clark is requesting the installation of the red no parking zone on the north side of Boundary Place.

Chair Paralusz closed Public Comment and opened Commissioner Discussion.

Commissioner DaGiau stated he was not in favor this request for a red no parking zone.

Commissioner Kirschenbaum stated that due to property on the south side of Boundary Place being fundamentally flawed, he is in support of removing the parking space and installing a red no parking zone.

Chair Paralusz asked to clarify if only one parking space would be removed. **Traffic Engineer Zandvliet** concurred.

Chair Paralusz stated she is in support of removing the parking space and installing a red no parking zone.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded (**Kirschenbaum/Paralusz**) to overturn staff's recommendation and to install a red no parking zone on the north side of Boundary Place across from 610/614 Boundary Place.

AYES: Kirschenbaum, Chair Paralusz
NOES: DaGiau
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: D'Amico, Apostol

G. OTHER ITEMS

03/23/23-3 Staff Updates

Traffic Engineer Zandvliet provided the following staff updates on the following items:

- Sepulveda Bridge Project/Culvert Opening at Manhattan Village Shopping Center
- Outdoor Street Dining Update
- Long-Term Outdoor Dining Task Force
- CIP Proposed Projects
- Pending PPIC Items
- Upcoming Oak Avenue/Manhattan Village Shopping Center NTMP Workshop
- Traffic Signal Project at Manhattan Beach Boulevard and Peck Avenue

03/23/23-4 Commissioner Items

Vice Chair Kirschenbaum asked if there were any plans to remove street parking meters and install a new parking meter system. **Traffic Engineer Zandvliet** stated changes to the parking meter system have not been approved at this time but are being considered.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:56p.m. to the Parking and Public Improvements Commission Regular Meeting on April 27, 2023 at 4:00p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers (1400 Highland Ave. Manhattan Beach, CA 90266) and via ZOOM Call.

KATHLEEN PARALUSZ
Chair

FEL CORTEZ
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

ERIK ZANDVLIET
Traffic Engineer