

City Council Regular Meeting - May 21, 2024

Meeting Time: 05-21-24 18:00

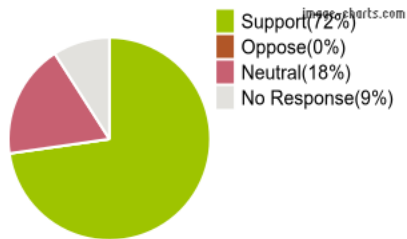
eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
City Council Regular Meeting - May 21, 2024	05-21-24 18:00	51	11	8	0	2

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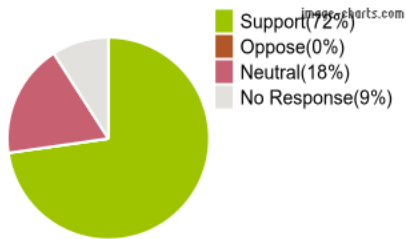
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Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
G. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)	1	0	0	1
13. 24-0170 Consideration of the Parking and Public Improvements Commission Recommendations for Initial Traffic Calming Measures Related to the Oak Avenue / Manhattan Village Shopping Center Neighborhood Traffic Management Study; Consideration of a Resolution to Add Stop Signs at Four Intersections and Adoption of a Determination of Exemption Pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Community Development Director Mirzakhaniyan). (Estimated Time: 1 Hr.) A) APPROVE TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES B) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0045 C) ADOPT DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA	9	8	0	0
16. 24-0152 Continued Discussion of the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Proposed Operating Budget and Proposed 5-Year Capital Improvement Program (Fiscal Years 2024-2025 Through 2028-2029) (Finance Director Charelian and Public Works Director Lee). (Estimated Time: 30 Mins.) DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION	1	0	0	1

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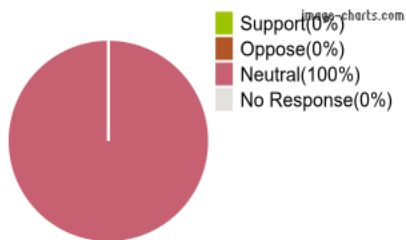
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Agenda Item: eComments for G. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

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Brandee Keith

Location:

Submitted At: 8:35am 05-21-24

Hello, my name is Brandee Keith from the South Coast Air Quality Management District. I wanted to share a few announcements from our agency that may be of interest to Manhattan Beach City Council and residents:

Compliance assistance training is provided by South Coast AQMD to enhance understanding of applicable air quality regulations and paths to compliance: <https://bit.ly/aqmd-training>

The Zero-Emission School Bus and Infrastructure (ZESBI) incentive project will open for applications on May 14, 2024: <https://californiahvip.org/zesbi/>

The Clean Air Choices program provides a one-stop resource for information on the benefits of using clean technologies, including clean vehicles: <https://www.aqmd.gov/home/programs/community>

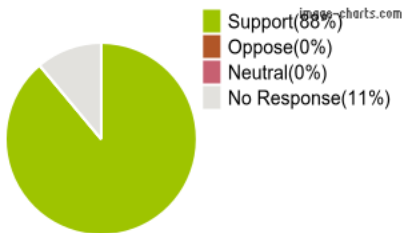
To subscribe to South Coast AQMD's new Engineering and Permitting email lists, please visit our Sign-Up page and find the Engineering & Permitting lists under "Permit Notifications": <https://www.aqmd.gov/sign-up>

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(Estimated Time: 1 Hr.)

- A) APPROVE TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES
- B) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0045
- C) ADOPT DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA

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Elizabeth Tucker

Location:

Submitted At: 11:53am 05-21-24

Thank you City Council!

I strongly support calming traffic measures.

Due to the lack of stop signs currently on 19th, the street is used as a commute pathway for many cars. I live on Oak Avenue and see the faster, heavier traffic particularly at commute hours.

Added stop signs will make the neighborhood safer for both residents and visitors.

Thank you!!!
Elizabeth Tucker

Todd Cogan

Location:

Submitted At: 11:45am 05-21-24

Please Approve: As a resident of 2301 Oak Ave, I see the dangers of this intersection firsthand. A 4-way stop sign is a simple solution to reduce high-speed traffic and near-miss accidents caused by poor visibility from parked cars, fences, and shrubbery. Every day, cars speeding west off Sepulveda transition abruptly from a major corridor into our residential area. This is not just a traffic issue but a safety concern for children attending the synagogue school on this corner. Additionally, 19th St is a main route for students biking to and from Pacific Elementary and MBMS. The combination of children navigating this busy corner and poor visibility makes this intersection hazardous. Our children's safety depends on making this intersection safer. Please review the attached video links showing poor visibility due to obstructions.

SOUTH on Oak @ 19th: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aDq7K-XjZeQ>

NORTH on Oak @ 19th: <https://youtu.be/nzgar1mJ1pE?si=lasp1NRKfGAIJbrM>

T Cogan 2301 Oak Ave

Kevin Downing

Location:

Submitted At: 11:04am 05-21-24

Please approve the Parking & Public Improvements Commission recommendations and adopt Resolution No 24-0045. I have owned near the 19th St & Oak Ave intersection for the past ~3 years. We recently had a newborn baby, who will grow up on Oak Ave. We are all at risk as we approach this intersection due to poor visibility and increased traffic. There were accidents at this intersection on 5/31/23 and again on 6/30/23. There have been others in the area with a recent high-speed fatality nearby while I've lived here. A 4-way stop would force drivers to decrease their speed, stop, look, and then proceed. The installation of a 4-way stop at Oak and 19th (and the other locations) would increase safety and could ultimately prevent injury or death. My child & all children deserve to be safe and protected.

Thank you for taking into consideration. This is greatly appreciated by my young family,

Kevin Downing

2305 Oak Avenue

Stephen Alexander

Location:

Submitted At: 9:58am 05-21-24

Please approve the Parking & Public Improvements Commission recommendations and adopt Resolution No 24-0045. I have lived near the 19th St & Oak Ave intersection since 1984. We have on our block, and the blocks to the north and south, more young children than I have seen during my forty-year residency. Young children and teens are riding bikes (ever increasingly e-bikes), motorized scooters and skateboards up and down Oak. They are at risk as they approach the intersection due to poor visibility and increased traffic. There were accidents at this intersection on 5/31/23 and again on 6/30/23. There have been others. A 4-way stop would force drivers to decrease their speed, stop, look, and then proceed. The installation of a 4-way stop at Oak and 19th (and the other locations) would increase safety and could ultimately prevent injury or death. Our children deserve to be safe and protected. Thank you.

Steve Alexander

2101 Oak Avenue

Adam Heeg

Location:

Submitted At: 9:44am 05-21-24

My name is Adam Heeg and my family lives at 1901 Oak Ave (corner of 19th and Oak). In the three years that we have lived here, I have witnessed numerous accidents and countless near misses. The rate of speed that cars travel through this intersection is especially concerning as we have 4- and 5-year-old children who play in the driveway/front yard and also attend school across the street at Shalem (CTJ Synagogue). I am concerned for their safety as well as the safety of others (particularly children) who are often crossing this (and other) intersections in the immediate area. Given the frequency of accidents that we have witnessed, it is just a matter of time before something tragic happens. Your vote to add stop signs to the suggested intersections will undoubtedly save lives. Thank you for considering this very important measure.

Abbey Raish

Location:

Submitted At: 9:42am 05-21-24

Thank you for considering these calming measures, especially the stop signs. My family lives at 19th and Oak and we have two young children. With the speed that cars drive past on 19th (westbound coming off Sepulveda and 19th, accelerating toward Sepulveda after stopping at Pine), it is often unsafe to load our boys in and out of the cars in our driveway without multiple adults. One of my sons also attends preschool at Shalem across the street and we often witness cars barreling through as parents and children are walking in and out of the parking lot. Since moving in three years ago we have seen/heard many collisions and even more near misses. I strongly support a four-way stop at this intersection as well as 19th and Elm to keep residents, children and students safer. Thank you so much for your consideration.

Abbey Raish
1901 Oak Ave

Mike Brunick

Location:

Submitted At: 10:37pm 05-20-24

Thank you for reviewing and considering additional traffic and safety measures in Manhattan Beach!

We live on the corner of 19th and Elm and we fully support these traffic calming measures, particularly the additional stop signs. Cars come off Sepulveda and speed through three blocks before they have to stop at Pine. It is very unsafe for pedestrians, pets, bicycles and kids.

We have three kids and two dogs and these additional measures will help keep our community safer.

Thank you again!

Mike Brunick
1900 Elm Ave

Annie Fouladgar

Location:

Submitted At: 2:37pm 05-20-24

Thank you to the City of MB for helping to make our neighborhoods a safer place to be! The proposed calming measures would have a HUGE impact not only on the safety of the drivers but on all of the residents (most importantly all of the children) in the area as well. The 19th and Oak intersection acts as a speedway and shortcut from Sepulveda Blvd and has caused too many close calls to even count. The visibility of oncoming traffic is extremely low and hard to maneuver thus causing very many scary encounters. Myself and all of my neighbors will be forever grateful for the city's support in implementing these safety measures. Thank you!

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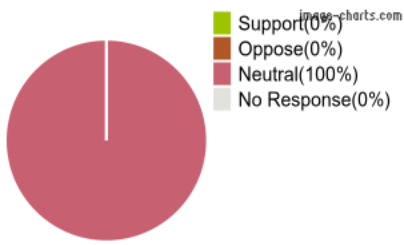
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Submitted At: 10:11am 05-17-24

Thank you to the City and for the work of the Traffic Engineer. I strongly support these calming measures, especially the stop signs. I live a few houses away from 19th and Oak and see a near miss almost everyday. There is also now a school/daycare for young children being held at the CTJ. It is also impossible to see the west bound traffic until you are about 1/3 of the way into the intersection when driving north. Please support these calming measures which will only help to keep everyone safer. Thank you.

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Overall Sentiment



Gary Osterhout

Location:

Submitted At: 7:57am 05-21-24

Please read this staff report closely to see how convoluted our financings have become. How can any average resident participate. And again with advocacy of COPs. You can only kick the can so far down the road until you run out of road. I guess you're planning on someone else to take responsibility for the right way to run our finances. Also, the jogging path on the green belt needs attention.