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PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 10TH, 2014; 6:30PM
NE Corner, Bronson & Franklin Aves.
Los Angeles, CA 90028

1. Welcome and Introductions

Erik introduced Daniel from CD4, numerous Oaks representatives, Ann DeBello (Franklin Village). Susan S., Don and Marlena introduced selves. Background- The Oaks residential community is located to the north of the intersection and relies on Bronson as their main N/S artery to the 101 (at Franklin and Argyle or at Hollywood and Van Ness), as well as points west and east. The intersection is the focal point of Franklin Village, which lies immediately to the west and the south. To the east, on the other side of Gelson's, is Hollywood Manor, a residential area made up of many historic single family homes that includes Canyon, Van Ness and Wilton, which is the next signal after Bronson. Canyon and Van Ness north of Franklin both have speed humps along them.

2. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda -None.

3. Reports from any City, County, or State officials in attendance -None.

4. Discussion of recent letter by the Oaks Homeowners Association to City regarding intersection of Bronson and Franklin.

Caroline Schweich, President of the Oaks, spoke to their call for installation of a traffic signal at Franklin and Canyon, creation of a left turn arrow for southbound traffic on Bronson and restricting parking along Bronson in front of Viktor's Square. Explained that Oaks had held several meetings with City back in 2011 (which Susan S. attended on behalf of HUNC) to discuss what could be done. None of the action items from those meetings along Bronson have been acted upon.

5. Discussion about other ideas for improving traffic flow along Bronson and at intersection with Franklin.

Daniel offered to help expedite painting of crosswalks at Franklin and also at Hollywood Blvd. Agreement was made on the following points:

ITEMS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

- * Add "Don't block the intersection" language, similar to at Cheremoya and Franklin, to intersection along with new crosswalks.
- * Install a safety mirror at Franklin and Canyon to make it easier for people to turn west onto Franklin (eastbound).
- * Agreement was reached that at least 3 feet of formerly red curb on north end of Viktor's Square parking lot, which is currently grey, should be repainted red. Depending on whether direction of parking entrance and exit is changed, may need to extend red curb further north to allow for safe exit from the lot.
- * Request that DOT move yellow line in middle of Bronson between Viktor's Square and Franklin 3-5 feet east, to allow for the painting of a second southbound lane on traffic along Bronson. Consensus was not to restrict direction of either lane (left can go either left or straight, right either straight or right).
- * Keep the curb adjacent to Viktor's Square yellow but remove confusing "2 hour parking" sign, as was agreed to by CD4 and DOT at community meetings held back in 2011. Residents will be able to park in these spaces at night, when they are most needed. Businesses can use spaces during day for deliveries.
- * Erik noted that the red curb along the east side of Bronson adjacent to the store should be repainted yellow as that is where all store deliveries are made. Residents should be able to park there after 6 pm, which they will be able to do if it is yellow.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE STUDY

- * Request that DOT look at feasibility of installing a traffic signal at Canyon and Franklin or Van Ness and Franklin.
- * Request that DOT examine feasibility of making Foothill one-way (east-bound) between Van Ness and Wilton Place.
- * Susan S. to reach out to Oaks Gourmet and Viktor's Square about possibly reconfiguring parking so that all customers to both locations enter Viktor's Square from north end of large lot, where exit is now, and exit from south end. Smaller lot would be used for employee parking only to avoid blocking way of vehicles navigating up and down Bronson.
- * Concerns were raised about Argyle and Franklin and need to revisit that intersection along with CalTrans as cars back up trying to get onto the 101.
- * Issues pertaining to Gelson's and their operations were tabled as no representative from the store was present, nor was anyone from Hollywood Manor.
- * A suggestion was made that signs should be put on Bronson south of Franklin and Franklin west of Bronson saying "101 Freeway" and "101 Freeway N."

ADJOURNMENT - 8:02 p.m.