

**CITY OF REDLANDS
TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, July 24, 2025 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 6:01 pm by Chairperson Kevin Morningstar.

Roll Call:

Present

Commissioners:

Kevin Morningstar

Bill Waddell

Carl Davis

Patrick Taylor

Staff:

Goutam Dobey, MUED

John Harris, MUED

Sgt. Martin Gonzalez, PD

Absent

Vincent Fu (excused)

Donivan Fox (excused)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the regular meeting of May 22, 2025

A motion was made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commission Waddel to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2025 regular meeting, motion passed.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Richard Hernandez, resident, stated he had previously submitted requests for various traffic concerns citywide to be placed on the agenda. Mr. Dobey noted that ten (10) requests had been submitted, traffic studies were completed, and the items were presented to the Commission earlier this year. Staff will review Mr. Hernandez's comments to ensure no items were overlooked.

David Holtzclaw, resident, requested that the July 2025 Commission meeting minutes be amended to include additional comments he made and provided an update on work completed since that meeting.

Adrian Asencio, resident, expressed dissatisfaction that items he previously submitted were not on the current agenda, noting that only one has been addressed. Mr.

Morningstar responded that his items would be discussed later in the meeting under agenda item 6A.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4A. *17th Street And Florida Street stop control & street traffic calming requests*

Mr. Dobey presented that this item was in response to a petition received at the May 22nd meeting requesting traffic calming measures on Florida Street. Following a site meeting with residents and an engineering study, staff recommended installing a STOP sign for eastbound Florida Street at 17th Street due to restricted sight distance, noting the location meets California MUTCD warrants. Speed humps were not warranted as only 12.3% of vehicles exceeded 35 mph, below the City's policy threshold. The request for a STOP sign at Outer Highway 10 and 17th Street was referred to the City of Yucaipa. Speed limit signs will be installed on Florida and 17th administratively, and the street lighting request was referred to the Facilities and Community Services Department for review.

Jerry Wyatt and Dena Allen, residents, thanked staff for approving the STOP sign and speed limit signs and requested another speed study for possible speed hump installation when school is in session. Mr. Dobey confirmed that another study could be conducted.

The Commission discussed the specific warrants met for the STOP control, including sight distance criteria, and Mr. Morningstar expressed concerns about the number of STOP signs being installed and their impact on traffic flow, questioning if this should factor into future approvals.

A motion was made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Taylor to recommend to City Council approval for the implementation of STOP control at on Florida Street at 17th Street. The motion passed with a 3-1 vote.

5. OLD BUSINESS

5A. Preferential residential parking permits on Vine Street

Mr. Dobey presented that this item was continued from the May 22nd meeting. The City received a request from tenants of six apartment units above commercial businesses at Vine and Cajon Streets to establish a preferential parking zone along Vine Street between Cajon and 6th Street, exempting them from the existing 2-hour parking restriction. The proposed zone would allow up to three resident permits and two visitor permits per unit, totaling 30 permits for approximately 31 spaces on the block. Following the previous meeting, staff re-evaluated parking conditions and determined there is no feasible way to accommodate this permit demand without displacing existing users. The City Attorney advised that adjusting the number of permits would require a code amendment. On May 23rd, the residents submitted a

revised request to remove the 2-hour limit if the zone was not approved. Staff did not support this revision, noting the 2-hour restriction promotes turnover and supports nearby businesses, and its removal could result in long-term parking that would negatively affect the commercial corridor. Staff recommended keeping the 2-hour limit as posted.

Devyn Diorio, resident, expressed concerns about personal safety when parking far from home at night and stated that residents of the apartment units do not have five (5) vehicles, making five (5) permits unnecessary.

Jason Ruiz, resident, noted that the tenants rent studio apartments and would not require five (5) permits, and also expressed concerns about safety in the nearby parking structure.

Tami Diorio, resident, asked if it would be possible to establish a contract to limit the number of permits issued in the zone. Mr. Harris clarified that the City Attorney had been consulted on this matter and advised that limiting permits in this area would require an amendment to the municipal code.

Discussion ensued about whether the traffic changes when the City department relocates to the new building on State Street and how the site will be used in the future. Possibility having an interim solution with like changing the designation of a portion of the street near the church not two-hour parking.

The commission made the recommendation to temporary remove the 2-hour time parking on the south side for a test period to see if an issue occurs. Staff stated that the process of implementing a temporary change to a parking zone would need to researched. Sgt. Gonzales clarified that code enforcement is not ticketing residents while the issue gets resolved.

This item was tabled to the next commission meeting.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

6A. Traffic improvement requests

Mr. Dobey presented several resident requested traffic improvements. The Reservoir Road speed limit was lowered to 45 mph and approved by City Council on July 1st, and signs will be updated. Staff recommends keeping the “No Parking” restrictions on Ford Avenue due to pedestrian safety concerns. Caltrans has removed the “No Turn on Red” sign at Redlands Boulevard and Ford Avenue, and no further City action is needed. A citywide red curb compliance evaluation for AB 413 is underway and includes the Redlands and Cypress request. The Alta Vista speed feedback signs were inspected and recalibrated, and no further changes are proposed. A midblock

crosswalk on University Street near Sylvan Park was previously evaluated but not implemented due to safety and regulatory constraints.

6B. Restricted timed parking citywide policy development

Mr. Dobey presented a framework for Commission discussion on creating a more consistent approach to time-restricted parking zones. He noted that current time limits are generally based on adjacent land uses but are not governed by a formal policy, resulting in inconsistencies and outdated restrictions. Staff recommends the Commission consider whether to standardize time limits based on land use, zoning, or enforcement schedules and to review outdated restrictions. This item was presented for discussion only and required no action. The Commission requested that staff provide the municipal code language for the establishment of these time restrictions.

The item was tabled to the next commission meeting.

6C. Ad Hoc Committee report relating to City Commissions, Boards and Committees

Mr. Harris presented that on April 15, 2025, an Ad Hoc Committee of the City Council was formed to review the structure and procedures of all City commissions. The committee, led by Mayor Pro Tem Shaw and Council Member Barich, met with all commission chairpersons and is recommending citywide changes that include the use of consent agendas to streamline meetings, adoption of a standardized agenda format approved by the City Attorney, term limits of two four-year terms with a possible third term requiring a four-fifths City Council vote, and expanding student commissioner eligibility to high school sophomores and juniors. These recommendations are intended to improve efficiency and consistency, and staff will provide updates as the Council considers them. Mr. Harris invited commissioners to provide any feedback they would like relayed to the City Council. Chairperson Morningstar shared that the Mayor Pro Tem had asked all Commission Chairs for their opinion on how their commissions are run. Chairperson Morningstar stated he felt the Commission operates smoothly and no changes are needed. The Commission expressed concerns that reducing the number of members would limit resident feedback and asked for clarification on whether the student commissioner would be counted as one of the five members.

6D. Status of work orders

Mr. Dobey presented an update on work orders from previous Commission recommendations. Three Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons have been installed at Eureka Street near the Redlands Bowl, Citrus Avenue at 9th Street, and Center Street at Michigan Street. Signage improvements on Garden Hill Drive have been completed, including larger “No Trucks” signs and advance warning signs. The no parking zones around streets surrounding Sylvan Park, approved by the City Council on July 15, 2025, are in progress with a work order submitted and implementation pending.

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

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

The Vine Street Preferential Parking item will be brought back to the next meeting with research on whether temporarily removing the time restriction on the south side of Vine Street is allowed.

For the citywide time-restricted parking policy discussion, the Commission requested that the municipal code regarding the establishment of time limits be provided.

8. ADJOURNMENT – Next regular meeting will be held on September 25, 2025.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Morningstar at 7:44 p.m.