



City of Arts & Innovation

PLANNING COMMISSION DRAFT MINUTES

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2020, 9:00 A.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING
PUBLIC COMMENT VIA TELEPHONE
3900 MAIN STREET

VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED (VMT) THRESHOLDS FOR CEQA ASSESSMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IMPACTS

Chair Kirby asked the Commission for a motion to waive the Sunshine Ordinance and accept the new information, not available at the time of publication. Motion by Commissioner Mill and Seconded by Vice-Chair Parker to accept the new information. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried. Nathan Mustafa, City Traffic Engineer & Mobility Manager, presented the staff report. Public Comment: Lou Monville Building Industry Association of Riverside County, spoke in support of Alternative B and referenced their letter dated May 13, 2020. Cindy Roth, Riverside Chambers of Commerce, thanked the Commission for their moment of silence in honor of Bob Stockton. Mr. Stockton was the Chair of the Economic Council and had planned to be on this call to address the Commission today. She spoke in support of Alternative B.

Commissioner Rubio left the meeting at this time.

Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Mill and seconded by Commissioner Parker to recommend that the City Council: 1) Adopt a resolution approving Vehicle Miles Traveled thresholds for California Environmental Quality Act compliance related to transportation analysis in accordance with Threshold Alternative B. 2) Recommend that the City Council request that staff conduct a workshop to educate the development community in the application of new vehicle miles traveled thresholds, and mitigation measures for vehicle miles traveled related impacts.

Commissioner Mill commented that he supported alternative B as it is consistent with the neighboring jurisdictions. Alternative B will help the City meet its RHNA numbers, and provide more senior and affordable housing. Alternative A would make it extremely difficult for development outside the City's transit corridor and would be cost prohibitive for developers to develop affordable housing.

This item will be reviewed by the City Council for final approval.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes, 1 Noes, 2 Absent, 0 Abstention

AYES: Allen, Roberts, Mill, Parker, Kirby

NOES: Villalobos

ABSENT: Rubio, Teunissen

ABSTENTION: None