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DATE: November 24, 2020

TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Megan Wiegelman, City Clerk *MW*
Glenn Sabine, City Attorney *GS*

VIA: Greg Humora, City Manager *GH*

SUBJECT: An Ordinance of the City Council Amending Chapter 12.08 of the Municipal Code Updating the Traffic Commission Name, Membership, and Responsibilities

At the Council meeting of November 10, 2020, the Council (voted 4-1, with Councilmember Alessio voting no) approved the introduction and first reading of an Ordinance amending Chapter 12.08 of the Municipal Code updating the Traffic Commission name (to Mobility Commission), membership, and responsibilities.

Staff recommends the Council approve the second reading and adoption of the Ordinance amending Chapter 12.08 of the La Mesa Municipal Code.

Attachment: Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA
AMENDING CHAPTER 12.08 OF THE LA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE
UPDATING THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION NAME, MEMBERSHIP, AND
RESPONSIBILITIES

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Section 12.08.060 of the La Mesa Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Mobility Commission created.

There is hereby created a Mobility Commission to consist of seven voting members. All seven voting members shall be residents of the City. Of the seven voting members, five shall be members of the general public. One member shall preferably have experience as a vulnerable road user, who frequently walk, ride a bicycle, or use another vulnerable non-car mode of transportation. One member shall preferably have significant experience with climate or environmental issues. The City Public Works Director shall be a non-voting, advisory member of the Commission. In addition, the City Public Works Director, or his/her designee, shall serve as secretary to the Commission. The Chief of Police, or his/her designee, shall serve as a non-voting, advisory member of the Commission. The La Mesa Spring Valley and Grossmont High School Districts may each designate a non-voting advisory member.”

SECTION 2: Section 12.08.070 of the La Mesa Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Voting members of the Mobility Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council.”

SECTION 3: Section 12.08.080 of the La Mesa Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“The term of office for each member appointed by the City Council shall be four years, which shall commence on July 1 and terminate on June 30, four years thereafter. Member's terms shall be maintained so that not more than four terms expire in any given year and appointments may be made for less than a four-year term in order to accomplish that purpose.”

SECTION 4: Section 12.08.090 of the La Mesa Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Each vacancy on the Mobility Commission shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term vacated in the manner set forth in Section 12.08.070.”

SECTION 5: Section 12.08.120 of the La Mesa Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“The Mobility Commission shall exercise the powers and duties as provided in this title and in the ordinances of the City. In addition, the commission may provide advice on other mobility issues as directed by the City Council of the City of La Mesa and as set forth within the organization, rules, and procedures of the Mobility Commission.

Whenever the Mobility Commission is required or authorized to place or maintain official traffic control devices, said Commission may cause such devices to be placed or maintained.

It shall be the further duty of the Mobility Commission to advise the City of La Mesa on mobility issues including but not limited to, the implementation of neighborhood traffic calming activities, Vision Zero, and other plans for mobility improvements. The Mobility Commission shall also advise the City of La Mesa about the mobility elements of the Climate Action Plan, concurrently and in coordination with the Environmental Sustainability Commission.”

SECTION 6: Section 12.08.140 of the La Mesa Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“The members of the Mobility Commission shall inform themselves on matters affecting the functions and duties of the Commission. For that purpose, such members may attend meetings, conferences, or hearings on subjects or issues relating to traffic and mobility as authorized by the City Council.”

SECTION 7: Section 12.08.160 of the La Mesa Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“The Mobility Commission shall establish rules, regulations, and procedures consistent with the requirements of the law to govern their activity.”

SECTION 8: Section 12.08.170 of the La Mesa Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Members of the Mobility Commission who absent themselves from three consecutive regular meetings for any reason shall be recommended for removal from membership on the Commission to the City Council by the Chairperson; however, said absentee Commissioner has the right to appeal to the City Council. The City Council has the authority to appoint or remove any member of a Commission at any time, for any or no reason, by a majority vote of the City Council.”

SECTION 9: This ordinance shall be effective 30 days after its adoption and the City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance.

INTRODUCED AND FIRST READ at a Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of La Mesa, California, held the 10th day of November 2020, and thereafter PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Regular meeting of said City Council held the 24th day of November 2020, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

APPROVED:

MARK ARAPOSTATHIS, Mayor

ATTEST:

MEGAN WIEGELMAN, CMC, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF CITY CLERK

I, MEGAN WIEGELMAN, City Clerk of the City of La Mesa, California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 2020-_____, duly passed and adopted by the City Council of said City on the date and by the vote therein recited and that the same has been duly published according to law.

MEGAN WIEGELMAN, CMC, City Clerk

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