

Urban Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting 13 October 2015

The Urban Transportation Commission convened in a regular meeting on October 13, 2015 at 301 West 2nd Street, Room 1101, Austin, Texas

Chair Johnson called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

D'Ann Johnson-Chair Eric Rangel-Vice Chair Alfred Bingham Mario Champion Kelly Davis Celso Baez III

Jonathon Gins

Cynthia Weatherby

Commission Members Absent:

Vicente Mantero Dan Calistrat Chris Hosek

Staff in Attendance:

Jim Dale

Samantha Alexander

Frances Hargrove

Carlton Thomas

Joana Perez

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the 09/08/15 meeting were approved with corrections on adding Cynthia Weatherby under Commission Members in Attendance and changing Mr. to Ms. Frances Hargrove under Item 3B, on Commissioner Rangel motion with Commissioner Champion second, Commissioner Baez abstaining and Commissioner's Mantero, Calistrat, and Hosek absent, the motion passed on a 7/0/1/3 vote.

Ayes:

Johnson, Rangel, Bingham, Champion, Davis, Gins, Weatherby

Navs:

None

Abstain:

Baez

Absent:

Mantero, Calistrat, Hosek

2. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

N/A

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. ¼ Cent Project Selection – Discussion and Possible Action

This item will be presented at the November meeting.

B. TNC Briefing - Briefing

Mr. Carlton Thomas, Division Manager with the Austin Transportation discussed staff recommendations that included data, fees and background checks which were previously presented to the Mobility Committee and will be addressed at the November Mobility Committee meeting. There will be further discussion on next month's agenda so the Urban Transportation Commission may provide their recommendation to the Mobility Committee. No Action Taken.

C. Taxi Co-op - Discussion and Possible Action

Mr. Carlton Thomas, Division Manager, discussed the adopted resolution, by Mayor and Council, directing the City Manager to initiate the process of creating a fourth driver owned franchise modeled after a co-op. There was discussion on the timeline, the scope and the number of permits staff has suggested. There were three speakers, James Dogale, Dave Passmore, and Hussan Aruri all in favor of approving the Co-op and urging the Urban Transportation Commission to provide the number of permits requested by staff.

There was a motion in favor of the Co-op to receive 300 new permits. Commissioner Davis amends the motion for the Co-op to receive 548 new permits. On Commissioner Gins motion with Commissioner Champion second, Commissioners Bingham and Weatherby not in favor, Commissioners Johnson and Baez abstaining, and Commissioners Mantero, Calistrat and Hosek absent, the motion passed on a 4/2/2/3 vote.

Ayes:

Champion, Davis, Gins, Rangel

Navs:

Weatherby, Bingham

Abstain:

Johnson, Baez

Absent:

Mantero, Calistrat, Hosek

The Urban Transportation Commission recommends to Council to support the concept of the Taxi Co-op with 548 new permits, on a 5/1/2/3 vote the motion passed.

Aves:

Champion, Davis, Gins, Rangel, Weatherby,

Nays:

Bingham

Abstain:

Johnson, Baez

Absent:

Mantero, Calistrat, Hosek

D. 3M, Austin Marathon, Half Marathon and Paramount 5K – Discussion and Possible Action

Ms. Frances Hargrove, Special Events Manager with the Austin Transportation Department provided information regarding the 3M, Austin Marathon, Half Marathon and Paramount 5K events which included maps; closures with dates, times and locations and a fact sheet.

The Urban Transportation Commission provided a recommendation to the Austin City Council the 3M Half Marathon, Austin Marathon, Half Marathon and Paramount 5K street event closure shall proceed.

On Commissioner Johnson motion with Commissioner Bingham second, Commissioner Davis not in favor and Commissioners Mantero, Calistrat and Hosek absent, the motion passed on a 7/1/0/3 vote.

Ayes:

Champion, Gins, Rangel, Weatherby, Johnson, Baez, Bingham

Nays:

Davis

Abstain:

None

Absent:

Mantero, Calistrat, Hosek

E. 2016 Meeting Schedule - Discussion and Possible Action

There was a motion to table the item until staff speaks with the Mobility Committee and determines if the Urban Transportation Commission can change their meeting dates.

On Commissioner Champion motion with Commissioner Gins second and Commissioners Mantero, Calistrat and Hosek absent, the motion passed on a 8/0/0/3 vote.

Ayes:

Champion, Gins, Rangel, Weatherby, Johnson, Baez, Bingham, Davis

Nays:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

Mantero, Calistrat, Hosek

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Urban Transportation Commission Bylaws – Discussion and Possible Action There was discussion to adopt the revision with changes.

On Commissioner Gins motion with Commissioner Baez second, and Commissioners Mantero, Calistrat and Hosek absent, the motion passed on a 8/0/0/3 vote.

Ayes:

Champion, Gins, Rangel, Weatherby, Johnson, Baez, Bingham, Davis

Navs:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

Mantero, Calistrat, Hosek

5. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Joint Sustainability Committee No update
- **B.** Downtown Commission No update

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Parking Benefit District West Campus and Parking Revenue
- B. 20/25 Service Plan
- C. Lone Star Rail
- D. Corridor Study Briefing

- E. Vision Zero
- F. Transportation Management Center Contract
- G. Rough Proportionality Update
- H. Urban Rail
- I. Special Events Draft Ordinance
- J. Cap Metro Demographics Users
- K. TNC Update
- L. Transit Impact Fee for Special Events
- M. 1/4 Cent Project
- N. Taxi Co-op
- O. Taxi Green Vehicles
- P. Mobility ATX

B. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Johnson adjourned the meeting at 08:59 p.m. without objection.

Approved Minutes

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