



COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT MOBILITY COMMITTEE

Date: March 6, 2015

Agenda Item #: 4

Agenda Item: Briefing with discussion and possible action on transit lane and signal prioritization.

Vote: On a 3-0 vote, the Mobility Committee voted to forward an item to Council with a recommendation to approve the resolution. Council Member Zimmerman was off of the dais for the vote.

Sponsors/Department: SPONSOR: Council Member Kitchen, CO 1: Council Member Gallo

Presenters: Jim Dale, Austin Transportation Department and Todd Hemingson, Capital Metro

Summary of Discussion:

- Jim Dale, of the Austin Transportation Department and Todd Hemingson, of Capital Metro, gave a presentation explaining the definition of transit priority, why transit priority is important, benefits and challenges of different types of transit priority treatments, the transit priority tools and approaches that ATD and Cap Metro are currently implementing and using, and opportunities that exist to improve operations and increase benefits of transit priority in the future.
- Council Member Kitchen introduced a draft resolution to direct staff (partnering with Cap Metro) to develop a formal transit priority policy for council consideration.

Speakers:

- Andy Cantu
- Angela Hooben donated her time to Dan Keshet
- Dan Keshet
- David King donated his time to Betsy Greenberg
- Betsy Greenberg
- James Laycock

- Jeb Bouyt
- Roger Cauvin
- Eric Goff
- John Woodley

Direction The City Manager is directed to collaborate with Capital Metro, engage relevant city boards, commissions and stakeholder groups in the development of recommendations for a Transit Priority Policy and provide a final report on such recommendations to the Council Mobility Committee by October 5, 2016.

Recommendation The Mobility Committee voted to forward the item to Council with a recommendation to approve the resolution.