



**PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)
MONDAY OCTOBER 2, 2017 – 6:00 PM
AUSTIN CITY HALL CHAMBER – ROOM 1001
301 W. SECOND STREET
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701**

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:13 p.m. by Vice Chair Branigan Mulcahy.

Full Members in Attendance:

Branigan Mulcahy – Vice Chair
Girard Kinney
Patricia Schaub

Heyden Walker
Carly Haithcock
Tom Wald

Katie Deolloz

Alternate Members in Attendance:

Mike Sledge

Full Members Absent:

Peter Baird – Chair

Alternate Members Absent:

John Andoh
Maria Carmen de la Morena

Jonathan Brewer
Lenore Shefman

Tony Lynch

Agency Representatives Absent:

Amir Emamian, Public Works

Staff in Attendance:

Laura Dierenfield, Austin Transportation
Joel Meyer, Austin Transportation
Emily Smith, Austin Transportation
Annick Beaudet, Austin Transportation
Eric Bollich, Austin Transportation

Marissa Monroy, Austin Transportation
Paloma Amayo-Ryan, Austin Transportation
Rob Vires, Austin Fire
Joe White, Austin Fire

Guests in Attendance:

Jacqueline Ahmad
Justin Henderson
Janet Beinke
Carol Philipson
David Neider
Andres Junca
Carol Lee

Noah Halbach
Brad Brey
Eric Goff
Kelsey Veazey
Helen Miller
Rick Krivoniak
Wallis Goodman

Dee Desjardin
Sarah Gamble

Chris Riley
John Woodley

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Note: Although citizen communication is generally reserved for items not on the agenda, a special dispensation was made in this case given the large number of people wishing to comment on the street design item..

- Mateo Barnstone: called for more public process in advance of City Council consideration of local amendments to the International Fire Code.

- Barbara Scott: expressed concern that requiring wider streets than are currently proposed for the Colony Park Master Plan would reverse six years of work done by the Northeast Austin community on the plan.
- Dan Keshet: expressed concern about safety and walkability implications of wide streets.

2. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 30 MEETING MINUTES

The [August 30 meeting minutes](#) were unanimously approved (6-0) on Girard Kinney motion and Heyden Walker second with Tom Wald abstaining.

3. ITEMS FROM PAC

A. PAC 2017-2019 Membership Elections – Discussion and Possible Action

Each candidate present had 1 minute to give a statement, and then a secret ballot voting process was facilitated by staff in accordance with the PAC bylaws. The elections results are below:

- Full members (2 year term):
 - Heyden Black Walker
 - Jay Blazek Crossley
 - Sarah Gamble
 - Adam Greenfield
- Alternate members (2 year term):
 - Jacqueline Ahmad
 - Kelsey Veazey
 - Tom Wald
 - Noah Halbach
 - Bradley Brey
- Alternate members (1 year term):
 - Justin Henderson
 - Tom Clear
 - Wallis Goodman
- Chair (1 year term):
 - Branigan Mulcahy
- Vice Chair (1 year term):
 - Carly Haithcock

(Note: Girard Kinney, Patricia Schaub, Branigan Mulcahy, Carly Haithcock, and Katie Deoloz will continue their 2 year full membership terms through October 2018. Lenore Shefman and Jonathan Brewer will continue their 2 year alternate membership terms through October 2018.)

Updated membership information can now be found on the PAC's [webpage](#).

Walking/Movement Break

PAC member Katie Deoloz led meeting attendees on a brief walking break around City Hall.

B. Street Design and Public Safety (Austin Transportation Department and Austin Fire Department) – Briefing

Annick Beaudet, Systems Development Division Manager with the Austin Transportation Department (ATD), Eric Bollich, Managing Engineer with ATD, Laura Dierenfield, Active Transportation and Street Design Division Manager with ATD, and Rob Vires, Fire Marshal with the Austin Fire Department (AFD) gave a presentation and answered questions from PAC members and meeting attendees. The discussion included questions related to recently proposed updates to the fire code, resulting in a request from PAC members for additional public process related to the proposed code changes.

The [presentation slides](#) can be found on the PAC's meeting documents [webpage](#). Information on the proposed fire code updates can be found [here](#).

4. PROJECT SUBCOMMITTEE AND TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

No update due to time constraints.

5. STAFF AND COMMISSION BRIEFINGS

No updates due to time constraints.

6. FUTURE BUSINESS / ADJOURN

Tom Wald proposed a PAC subcommittee to discuss the draft CAMPO 2045 Regional Active Transportation Plan before the CAMPO Transportation Policy Board considers approving the plan at their October 16 meeting.

This is a running list of potential future agenda items proposed by PAC members and/or staff which may be placed on a future PAC agenda. These items were not discussed by the PAC as part of this agenda.

- Draft Austin Street Design Guide
- Capital Metro Downtown Station
- Downtown Parking Study
- Street Impact Fee Study + traffic mitigation ordinance + Traffic Impact Analysis
- Parking and Transportation Management Districts + Parking Benefit Districts
- Rocky Mountain Institute
- CodeNEXT Draft Land Development Code
- Street lighting
- Discussion of Agency Representatives and Community Liaisons (Project Subcommittee)
- Transportation Systems Development update
- Medical District Master Plan

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm by Vice Chair Branigan Mulcahy.