

Bicycle Advisory Council (BAC) Recommendation:

Redesigning railroad crossings for safety of bicyclists and pedestrians

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Bicycle Advisory Council is to advise the City of Austin and other jurisdictions on all matters relating to the use of the bicycle, bicycle infrastructure, and individuals of all ages and abilities who utilize bicycles;

WHEREAS, railroad crossings can present a special hazard for conveyances with narrow wheels, including bicycles, wheelchairs, and scooters;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bicycle Advisory Council recommends the allocation of funds necessary to redesign and reconstruct railroad crossings, allowing bicyclists and wheelchair users to cross the tracks at a safe angle without entering motor vehicle lanes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bicycle Advisory Council recommends that the specific locations of hazardous railroad crossings to be considered for improvements include, but not be limited to, the railroad crossings on Vinson Dr/Emerald Forest near St. Elmo, on W. Mary St. near Evergreen, on Rosewood Ave. near the Pleasant Valley underpass, and on the northbound and southbound MoPac frontage road between Gracy Farms Ln. and Park Bend Rd. at the Red Line.

Date of Approval: October 16, 2018

Record of the vote: 9-0

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tomasita Louviere-Ligons". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Tomasita" being the most prominent.

Tomasita Louviere-Ligons, BAC Chair