

Urban Transportation Commission (UTC) Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting 13 November 2018

The Urban Transportation Commission convened in a meeting on November 13, 2018 at 301 West 2nd Street, Room 1101, Austin, Texas.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Eric Rangel Jonathon Gins Brian O'Reilly Michael Wilfley

Mario Champion Daniel Hennessey Alex Reyna

Kelly Davis Chris Hosek Cynthia Weatherby

Commission Members Absent:

D'Ann Johnson

Staff in Attendance:

Jim Dale Emily Smith Jen Samp

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Rangel called the commission meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: OCTOBER 9, 2018

The minutes from the meeting of October 9, 2018 were approved on Commissioner Champion motion, Commissioner Hosek second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioner Johnson absent and Commissioners Davis, Gins, and Hosek not yet present.

3. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Heyden Walker

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. UTC 2019 meeting schedule – Discussion and Possible Action

A motion to approve the following meeting schedule for 2019 was adopted on Commissioner Weatherby motion, Commissioner Reyna second on a 9-0 vote with Commissioner Johnson absent and Commissioner Gins not yet present: January 8, February 12, April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, August 13, October 8, November 12, and December 10.

B. Project Connect – Discussion and Possible Action

A presentation was made by Dave Couch, Capital Metro Project Connect Program Officer. Five members of the public signed up to speak on this item: Dave Dobbs, Heyden Walker, Jay Crossley, Scott Morris, and Zenobia Joseph.

Commissioner Champion presented draft recommendation language which, after debate and amendment, read as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Urban Transportation Commission recommends City Council and the Capital Metro Board of Directors ensure that Project Connect's study and analysis of modes, prior to any final selection or vote,

- 1. Prioritize, where possible, dedicated right of way throughout the Project Connect System Vision,
- 2. Be made publicly available,
- 3. Indicate both the acceptance criteria and the supporting evidence for final selections, and

4. Comply with Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964: "No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."

A motion to approve the recommendation was adopted on Commissioner Gins motion, Commissioner Davis second on an 8-1 vote with Commissioner Hosek noting nay, Commissioner Weatherby abstaining, and Commissioner Johnson absent.

C. Austin Strategic Mobility Plan – Discussion and Possible Action

A presentation was made by Annick Beaudet, Austin Transportation Department Assistant Director.

D. Appointment of a Parliamentarian – Discussion and Possible Action

A motion to appoint Commissioner Davis to the UTC officer role of Parliamentarian was adopted on Davis motion, Reyna second on a 9-0 vote with Commissioners Johnson and Hosek absent.

5. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **A. Downtown Commission** No update.
- **B. Joint Sustainability Committee** Commissioner Davis: In October, the committee received a briefing from Capital Metro on initiatives related to reducing community greenhouse gas emissions.
- **C. Bicycle Advisory Council (BAC)** Emily Smith: In October the BAC held their annual membership elections and adopted recommendations regarding *Dockless Mobility Regulations* and *Redesigning railroad crossings for safety of bicyclists and pedestrians*.
- **D.** Pedestrian Advisory Council (PAC) Emily Smith: In October, the PAC received an update on the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan and adopted a recommendation regarding A Safe Systems Approach to Shared Small Vehicles.
- **E.** City Council Mobility Committee Emily Smith: on October 11 the Mobility Committee received briefings on Dockless Mobility, Austin Strategic Mobility Plan draft recommendations, and City Council Resolution No. 20170615-061.
- **F.** Vision Zero Task Force No update.
- G. Multimodal Community Advisory Committee (MCAC) No update.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- **A.** Urban Trails updates (Staff; December)
- **B.** Update on City Council Resolution No. 20170615-061 directing the City Manager to develop recommendations addressing how the City of Austin and the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority can cooperate to ensure that staff reports for zoning cases and site plan applications include information regarding the impact on public transit. (Davis; TBD)
- **C.** Wayfinding (Weatherby; TBD)
- **D.** Street Impact Fees (Gins, Rangel; TBD)
- **E.** Land Development Code (Davis; TBD)
- F. Cap Metro Autonomous Vehicle Pilot (O'Reilly; TBD)

7. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Rangel adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m. without objection.