



**Urban Transportation Commission
Meeting Minutes**

**Regular Meeting
12 April 2011**

The Urban Transportation Commission convened in a regular meeting on 12, April, 2011 at the Boards and Commissions Room located at 303 West 2nd Street, Room 1101, Austin, Texas.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Dustin Lanier –Chair
Sheila Holbrook-White – Vice Chair
Allen Demling
Dana Lockler
Richard MacKinnon
Eileen Schaubert

Commission Members Absent:

Boone Blocker

Staff in Attendance:

Gordon Derr Leah Fillion Richard Duane

Chair Lanier called the Commission meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the 03/08/2011 meeting were approved with a correction to citizen Riddering's last name on Commissioner Demling motion, Commissioner Lockler second, on a 4/0/2/1 vote, with Commissioners Holbrook-White and Schaubert abstaining, and Commissioner Blocker off the dais.

Ayes: Lanier, Demling, MacKinnon, Lockler
Nays: None
Abstain: Holbrook-White, Schaubert
Absent: Blocker

2. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Real Estate Vacation Evaluation – Discussion and Possible Action

- a. F#8860-1012 Vacate a portion of Right-of-Way (0.0996 acres) at the 3500 block of West 35th Street.

Ms. Jennifer Grant, Paralegal with the Office of Real Estate Services presented the request on behalf of the requestor. The request to vacate a portion of Right-of-Way at the 3500 block of West 35th Street was approved on Commissioner Holbrook-White motion, Commissioner Schaubert second, on a 6/0/1 vote, with Commissioner Blocker off the dais.

B. Southern Walnut Creek Bike and Hike Trail, a new trail from Govalle Park north of Daffan Lane at Johnny Morris Road – Presentation and Possible Action

Mr. Frank Del Castillo and staff with MWM Construction and Haff Associates gave presentation and provided a project overview, project schedule, and other pertinent information. **No Action Taken.**

C. Parking Benefit District - Briefing and Possible Action

This item was removed from the Agenda by the presenter. No new date provided.

D. Urban Rail Scoping - Briefing

Mr. Derr, Assistant Director with the Transportation Department, gave an update on the Urban Rail Project and the Environmental Scoping period the City has entered under the direction of the Federal Transportation Administration. The scoping period for public comments ends on April 29, 2011.

4. OLD BUSINESS

None

5. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Staff Briefings – Wayfinding signage and new technology to locate garages in downtown (Smart phone application) are some of the initiatives staff is working on.
- b) Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee - None
- c) Downtown Commission – Chair Lanier attended the meeting where amendments to the Downtown Plan were discussed.
- d) CAMPO – None
- e) SCIP / East Riverside Corridor – Commissioner Lockler said there is a meeting scheduled for April 13th. More will be reported at next meeting.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Urban Rail Update
- South Congress Improvements Updated
- Valet Ordinance / Commercial Zones / Taxi Stands
- Residential Parking Program – Final Recommendation
- Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program (LATM) -
- Special Events revision/changes to the Ordinance and Rules - Report
- Car2go update – Zip Cars vs. Car2go
- Downtown Austin Plan – Update
- Casa de Luz Parking
- Extra Permits for Pedicabs
- Corridor Studies

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Lanier adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m. without objection

Approved Minutes _____

Dustin Lanier –Chair
Urban Transportation Commission

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