

# **APPROVED**

# **Urban Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes**

Regular Meeting 13 December 2011

The Urban Transportation Commission convened in a regular meeting on 13, December, 2011, at the Boards and Commissions Room located at 303 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Room 1101, Austin, Texas.

## **Commission Members in Attendance:**

Boone Blocker – Vice-Chair Allen Demling Dana Lockler Richard MacKinnon Eileen Schaubert

#### **Commission Members Absent:**

Dustin Lanier - Chair Sheila Holbrook-White

#### **Staff in Attendance:**

W. Gordon Derr Gary Schatz David Taylor

Gilda Powers Carlton Thomas

Vice-Chair Blocker called the Commission meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

#### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the 11/08/11 were approved on Commissioner Schaubert motion, Commissioner Lockler second, with Commissioner Demling abstaining and Commissioners Lanier and Holbrook-White absent.

**Ayes:** Blocker, Lockler, MacKinnon, Schaubert

Nays: None Abstain: Demling

**Absent:** Lanier Holbrook-White

### 2. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None.

#### 3. NEW BUSINESS

## A. Lady Bird Trail Boardwalk - Briefing

Mr. David Taylor, Project Manager with the Public Works Department gave a detailed presentation of this important project, including the project summary, skyline and bird's eye view of the proposed board walk and answered general questions regarding safety, lightning, and recent revisions to facilities, parking, etc. **No action taken.** 

## B. Request for Closure Permit for 3M half Marathon - Briefing and Possible Action

This item was pulled by staff prior to the meeting. A memo was provided to the Commissioners explaining that the promoter had reached an agreement with affected citizens therefore there was no need to bring this item to the UTC after all. **No action taken.** 

# C. Local Area Traffic Management – Briefing and Possible Action

Mr. Gary W. Schatz, Assistant Director with the Transportation Department, provided an update to his November 8<sup>th</sup> presentation and indicated the program would be implemented as of January 1, 2012. One citizen addressed the UTC and expressed concerns with some of the devices that might create a hazard to bicyclist. Mr. Schatz assured the Commissioners that staff will take into consideration all input received and adjust the program accordingly. The UTC requested to have regular briefing and updates on the progress of the program. **No action taken.** 

#### G. Mobility Bond 2010 Spending – Briefing

Mr. Derr explained that there is an internal draft but it has not been released to the public. A report will be available within the next three weeks.

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS

## A. Limousine Ordinance Change – Briefing and Possible Action

Mr. Carlton Thomas, Transportation Regulatory Supervisor with the Austin Transportation Department, provided an update on the steps taken to make changes to the limousine ordinance based on the input received at the November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting and stakeholders outreach and input received. Several citizens addressed the UTC and voiced their concerns about the proposed changes. Commissioner Demling made a motion to support staff recommendation to move forward but the motion failed due to lack of vote from the other members of the UTC. The Commissioners requested that staff continues to work with stakeholders and to return to the UTC either in January or February with a comprehensive recommendation that can then be sent to Council for approval. **No action taken.** 

#### 5. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

## 6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Rough Proportionality Briefing
- Special Events revision/changes to the Ordinance and Rules Report (February)
- Bike Share RFI Update (February)
- Corridor Studies
- Road blocks and road closures Consistency on enforcement
- Bike parking on street and on parking facilities
- Car Share (February)
- Urban Rail Initial Funding Plan
- Building code and parking issues
- Limousine and Taxicab Ordinances
- Parking update in 6 months
- STMPP Funded projects Report
- LATM Updates

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair B	Blocker adi	ourned the	meeting a	t 9:00 p	.m. withou	t objection.

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