



**APPROVED**

**Urban Transportation Commission  
Meeting Minutes**

**Regular Meeting  
11 September 2012**

The Urban Transportation Commission convened in a regular meeting on September 11, 2012 at One Texas Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Conference Room 325 in Austin, Texas.

Chair Lanier called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:23 p.m.

**Commission Members in Attendance:**

Dustin Lanier – Chair  
Boone Blocker – Vice Chair  
Dana Lockler  
Stanton Truxillo

**Commission Members Absent:**

Sheila Holbrook-White  
Eileen Schaubert  
Richard MacKinnon

**Staff in Attendance:**

Gordon Derr	Tiesha Payne	Carlton Thomas
Gilda Powers	Steve Grassfield	Leah Fillion
Gary Schatz	Rodney Gonzales	

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

August 14, 2012

The minutes from the 8/14/2012 were approved on Commissioner Truxillo motion, Commissioner Lockler second on a 4/0/0/3vote.

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

July 10, 2012

The minutes from the 07/10/12 meeting were not approved due to lack of quorum of members present at the July meeting.

May 8, 2012

The minutes from the 05/08/12 meeting were not approved due to lack of quorum of members present at the May meeting.

## 2. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None.

## 3. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Formula 1 – Briefing and possible action

Rodney Gonzales, Deputy Director with Economic Growth & Redevelopment; Gary Schatz, Assistant Director with Austin Transportation; and Gordon Derr Assistant Director with Austin Transportation, briefed the commission on Formula 1 weekend activities as it relates to public safety and traffic management. One constituent addressed the Commission in opposition of the item due to associated fees. UTC made the following recommendations with **No Action Taken**:

- Provide a written report on access and mobility
- Provide an explanation for transporting consumers within the site with accessibility needs
- Provide a report showing how taxicabs will operate
- Use UTC as a voice for communicating the logistics of traffic management

### B. Parking Benefit District – West Campus – Briefing and Possible Action

Steve Grassfield, Parking Enterprise Manager with Austin Transportation, gave a presentation regarding the Parking Benefit District (PBD) – West Campus. Two constituents addressed the Commission in support of the item. This item is scheduled for the September 27, 2012 Council.

On Chair Lanier motion, Commissioner Truxillo second, with Commissioners Holbrook-White, MacKinnon, and Schaubert absent, on a 4/0/0/3 vote, the UTC voted in support of staff recommendation to expand PBD

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

## 4. OLD BUSINESS

### A. Downtown Wayfinding Project – Update and Possible Action

Tonya Swartzendruber, Senior Planner with Planning and Development Review, provided an update on the proposed Downtown Wayfinding Project. **No Action Taken.**

## **B. Electric Low Speed Vehicle Pilot Program – Update and Possible Action**

Carlton Thomas, Transportation Regulatory Supervisor with Austin Transportation, provided a presentation regarding the proposed changes to the Electric Low Speed Vehicle Pilot Program. Four citizens addressed the Commission providing mixed comments regarding their position on this item. UTC made the following recommendations:

- Circulation and mobility has to be the defining characteristics
- Allow for route deviation
- Communicate with stakeholders to ensure that everyone is on the same page

On Chair Lanier motion, Commissioner Truxillo second, with Commissioners Holbrook-White, Schaubert, and MacKinnon absent on a 4/0/0/3 vote, the UTC voted in support of staff recommendations with suggested amendments by UTC.

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

## **C. Valet Ordinance Changes – Briefing and Possible Update**

Gordon Derr, Assistant Director with Austin Transportation, provided a briefing regarding proposed Valet Ordinance Changes. Six citizens addressed the commission speaking against the proposed changes. UTC made the following recommendations with **No Action Taken**:

- No discounts for different business types
  - Cost should be based on blocks of consumption
  - Rate increases should be in increments of \$.20, \$.40., \$.60 over a 3 year period
- On Chair Lanier motion, Commissioner Truxillo second, on a 4/0/0/3 vote, the motion to continue the meeting past 10:00 p.m. was approved.

## **5. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Officer appointment – Chair and Vice Chair
- Franchises – Fall UTC
- Special Events Ordinance – Fall UTC
- Neighborhood Connectivity
- Valet Ordinance

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Lanier adjourned the meeting at 10:35 p.m. without objection.

Approved Minutes \_\_\_\_\_  
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