



**Urban Transportation Commission
Meeting Minutes**

**Regular Meeting
14 July 2015**

The Urban Transportation Commission convened in a regular meeting on July 14, 2015 at 301 West 2nd Street, Room 1101, Austin, Texas

Executive Liaison Jim Dale called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

D'Ann Johnson-Chair
Eric Rangel-Vice Chair
Alfred Bingham
Celso Baez III
Jonathon Gins
Mario Champion
Dan Calistrat
Kelly Davis
Chris Hosek

Commission Members Absent:

Vicente Mantero

Staff in Attendance:

Robert Spillar	Jim Dale	Gordon Derr	Karla Taylor
Samantha Alexander	Cheyenne Krause	Joana Perez	

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the 06/09/15 meeting were approved on Commissioner Rangel motion with Commissioner Champion second, and Commissioner's Gins and Mantero absent, the motion passed on a 8/0/0/2 vote.

Ayes:	Johnson, Rangel, Bingham, Baez, Calistrat, Champion, Davis, Hosek
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Gins, Mantero

2. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None.

3. NEW BUSINES

A. Introduction of Executive Staff Liaisons and Staff that regularly attends -

There was a brief introduction of Mr. Jim Dale, Assistant Director and Ms. Joana Perez, Administrative Specialist from the Austin Transportation Department. No Action Taken.

B. Introduction of Austin Transportation Department Director Robert Spillar -
Mr. Robert Spillar, Director with the Austin Transportation Department, introduced himself and provided an overview on the functions of the Austin Transportation Department. No Action Taken.

C. Introduction of New Members -
There was a brief introduction of the new commissioners. No Action Taken.

D. Discussion of mission of the board –
There was discussion on the mission statement taken from the City Code. Commissioners asked that staff look into the process to amend the mission statement for the Urban Transportation Commission. No Action Taken.

E. Election of Officers – Discussion and Possible Action
Commissioner Champion nominates Commissioner Johnson for Chair.

On Commissioner Champion motion with Commissioner Celso second, Commissioner Johnson abstaining and Commissioner Mantero absent, the motion passed on a vote of 8/0/1/1.

Ayes: Rangel, Bingham, Baez, Calistrat, Champion, Davis, Hosek, Gins
Nays: None
Abstain: Johnson
Absent: Mantero

Commissioner Rangel nominates himself for Vice Chair.

On Commissioner Rangel motion with Commissioner Johnson second, Commissioner Rangel abstaining and Commissioner Mantero absent, the motion passed on a vote of 8/0/1/1.

Ayes: Johnson, Bingham, Baez, Calistrat, Champion, Davis, Hosek, Gins
Nays: None
Abstain: Rangel
Absent: Mantero

F. Urban Transportation Commission Bylaws – Discussion and Possible Action
There was discussion on changing the number of members from seven to eleven members appointed by the city council under Article 3A Membership and changing the wording from four members to six members constitute a quorum under Article 7F Meetings.

On Commissioner Johnson motion with Commissioner Rangel second and Commissioner Mantero absent, the motion passed on a vote of 9/0/0/1.

Ayes: Johnson, Bingham, Baez, Calistrat, Champion, Davis, Hosek, Gins, Rangel
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mantero

G. Partial Alley Vacation F#9514-1504 – Discussion and Possible Action

Mr. Eric Hammack Real Estate supervisor with the Office of Real Estate discussed the process of vacation providing regulating statues and the application and review process to acquire the right of way. Mr. Hammack provided information for a partial vacation of a portion of an unconstructed Alley between East 4th Street and East 5th Street, immediately west of Robert T. Martinez Jr. Street. Mr. David Cancialosi, the applicant, briefly explained there are no current plans to develop the area however they would like to clean up the area for any future sale of the area.

On Commissioner Gins motion with Commissioner Bingham second and Commissioner Mantero absent, the motion passed on a 9/0/0/1 vote.

Ayes: Johnson, Bingham, Baez, Calistrat, Champion, Davis, Hosek, Gins, Rangel
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mantero

4. OLD BUSINESS

None

5. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Downtown Commission Election of Representative to Attend – Discussion and Possible Action

On Commissioner Bingham motion with Commissioner Champion second, Commissioner Bingham abstaining and Commissioner Mantero absent, the motion to elect Alfred Bingham passed on a 8/0/1/1 vote.

Ayes: Johnson, Baez, Calistrat, Champion, Davis, Hosek, Gins, Rangel
Nays: None
Abstain: Bingham
Absent: Mantero

B. CSAC – Staff will provide a link to the website for minutes or printouts of the updates.

C. CAMPO – Staff will email monthly reports on the Friday before the UTC Meeting.

D. BAC/PAC – Staff will provide a link to the website for minutes. Mr. Christopher Stanton, Chair for the Bicycle Advisory Council provided an outline on the Quarter Cent Fund. Ms. Karla Taylor, Chief of Staff with the Austin Transportation Department provided some insight of the Quarter Cent Fund and will provide the process at the next UTC Meeting.

E. CTRMA – Staff will provide a link to the website for minutes

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Sidewalk Master Plan-September
- Bylaws and Mission
- Quarter Cent Funding
- UTC Internal Review
- UTC Org Chart
- Special Events Calendar
- IH 35 Upgrade
- Lightrail Process/Rail Proposal
- Corridor Studies
- Lonestar Rail
- Greenline

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gilbert adjourned the meeting at 07:50 p.m. without objection.

Approved Minutes



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