



**BOND OVERSIGHT COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
16 MARCH 2016**

The Bond Oversight Commission convened in a regular meeting on March 16th, 2016 at 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

The Commission Meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Duke Browne	Kristina Hagar
Keri Burchard-Juarez	Wolfgang Neidert
Moses Garcia	Santiago Rodriguez
Sumit DasGupta	Jay Sands
Brennan Griffin (late arrival)	Charles Thomas

Staff in Attendance: Katy Zamesnik, Financial Services

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Miller Nuttle spoke as a representative of Bike Austin. They are building support for the Bicycle Master Plan, high-priority sidewalks, and the Urban Trails Master plan to create an “all ages” network for the City of Austin. He addressed some of the financial aspects and the benefits of completing the projects contained within each plan. He answered questions from the Commissioners following his comments.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of February 17th, 2016 were approved on Vice Chair Garcia’s motion, Commissioner Neidert’s second on a 7-0-1 vote. Commissioner DasGupta abstained because he was not in attendance at the previous meeting. Commissioner Griffin was off the dais.

3. ADOPTION OF BYLAWS

The Commissioners discussed minor changes to the by-laws, including moving statements related to the mission of the Commission and grammatical fixes. Recommendation adopting the by-laws as amended was approved on Commissioner Griffin’s motion, Commissioner Sand’s second on a 9-0 vote.

4. STAFF BRIEFING ON CITY OF AUSTIN BOND PROGRAMS

Ed Van Eenoo, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, and Tina Van Wie, Capital Improvements Program Budget Manager, presented on the City’s Capital Improvement Program (CIP), including the planning process for capital projects and funding sources and information related to the CIP. They also presented on the types of projects that are included in the CIP, including the bond programs. Following the presentation, they answered questions from the Commissioners.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON COMMUNITY AND COUNCIL PRIORITIES FOR BOND PROJECTS

Vice Chair Garcia presented the mobility needs for District 5, including congested areas, east/west links, bus service, and bike and sidewalk infrastructure. He also discussed the desire to look at the existing plans and how to coordinate the work of the Commission with the work going on with each plan.

Commissioner Hagar discussed the needs for District 2, including increasing the supply of sidewalks, substandard roads, bus connectivity, and the desire to seek and enable community input on the bond planning process. Commissioner Hagar also touched on the need to have meetings outside of downtown, as it hard for citizens to get to City Hall.

Commissioner Sands spoke on the needs in District 10, including east/west connectivity issues, and the lack of projects included for District 10.

Commissioner Griffin spoke on the needs for District 4, including the Bike Master plan implementation, issues on Airport Boulevard, and funding for mass transit improvements.

Commissioner Niedart spoke in needs in District 8, including improvements needed at the Y at Oak Hill, Loop 360 at Walsh Tarlton, and the 3 year expansion to Bee Caves that has been impacted by the proposed expansion of MoPac.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioners discussed potential agenda items for the upcoming meetings. Items recommended and approved for upcoming agenda items were:

- Presentation on the recently-passed mobility resolution
- A discussion on the possibility of a special called meeting to solicit input from citizens on bond projects
- An abbreviated presentation on the Long Range Capital Strategic Plan
- Discussion of the five year CIP and it's relation to a potential bond program
- Officer elections

7. ADJOURN

Chair Burchard-Juarez adjourned the meeting at 11:26am without objection.