



**Urban Transportation Commission
Meeting Minutes**

**Regular Meeting
9 August 2016**

The Urban Transportation Commission convened in a regular meeting on August 9, 2016 at 301 West 2nd Street, Room 1101, Austin, Texas.

Vice Chair Rangel called the commission meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Eric Rangel – Vice Chair
Celso Baez
Dan Calistrat
Mario Champion
Kelly Davis

Jonathon Gins
Chris Hosek
Beverly Silas
Cynthia Weatherby
Michael Wilfley

Commission Members Absent:

D' Ann Johnson – Chair

Staff in Attendance:

Jim Dale
Cheyenne Krause

Emily Smith

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of 07/12/16 were approved on Commissioner Hosek's motion, Commissioner Champion's second, on an 8-0 vote. Commissioners Baez and Calistrat were not yet present.

Ayes: Rangel, Calistrat, Champion, Davis, Gins, Hosek, Silas, Weatherby, Wilfley
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Baez, Calistrat, Johnson

2. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Transportation Effectiveness Audit Report – Briefing

Rob Spillar, Austin Transportation Department gave the briefing, which included a summary of the Transportation Effectiveness Audit Report's findings and opportunities for improvements.

B. TNC updates – Briefing

Carlton Thomas, Austin Transportation Department and John Christophe, Austin Transportation Department gave the briefing, which included Background, Following the Election, Reporting, Benchmarks, and Enforcement.

C. 9620-1511 for the Vacation of an Alley between Paul St. and Pressler St. – Discussion and Possible Action

Kim Vasquez, Office of Real Estate Services gave the presentation. The applicant, Reynolds M. Shelton, was also present to answer questions.

Kim Vasquez presented draft language for a recommendation in support of the approval of the application for the vacation of the alley right-of-way between Paul St. and Pressler St.

Action taken: A motion to approve the recommendation passed on Commissioner Weatherby's motion, Commissioner Silas' second on a 10-0 vote.

Ayes:	Rangel, Baez, Calistrat, Champion, Davis, Gins, Hosek, Silas, Weatherby, Wilfley
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Johnson

D. CodeNEXT Mobility Prescription – Discussion and Possible Action

Francis Reilly, Planning and Zoning Department was present to answer questions and take comments on the CodeNEXT Mobility Prescription.

No action taken.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Priorities for future mobility improvements, including the proposed November 2016 Mobility Bond Program and future bond programs – Discussion and Possible Action

Two speakers signed up to speak to the commission on this topic:

- Robert Anderson
- Tom Wald

Commissioner Gins presented draft language for a recommendation titled 20160809-04A: Proposed November 2016 Mobility Bond Program.

A motion to approve the recommendation failed on Commissioner Gin's motion, Commissioner Champion's second on a 5-5 vote.

Ayes:	Rangel, Champion, Davis, Gins, Silas
Nays:	Baez, Calistrat, Hosek, Weatherby, Wilfley
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Johnson

The motion was then withdrawn by Commissioner Gins.

Commissioner Weatherby presented draft language for a recommendation titled 20160809-04A: Advancement of Implementation of a Future Urban Rail Minimum Operable Segment (MOS).

Action taken: A motion to approve the recommendation passed on Commissioner Gin's motion, Commissioner Weatherby's second on a 10-0 vote.

Ayes: Rangel, Baez, Calistrat Champion, Davis, Gins, Hosek, Silas, Weatherby, Wilfley
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Johnson

Commissioners then discussed taking action in support of a recommendation passed by the Pedestrian Advisory Council in July titled 20160705-03B: November 2016 Mobility Bond Program.

Action taken: A motion to endorse Pedestrian Advisory Council Recommendation 20160705-03B passed on Commissioner Davis' motion, Commissioner Champion's second on a 9-1 vote.

Ayes: Rangel, Baez, Calistrat, Champion, Davis, Gins, Silas, Weatherby, Wilfley
Nays: Hosek
Abstain: None
Absent: Johnson

5. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **Downtown Commission** – Commissioner Gins gave the update. In July the Downtown Commission discussed CodeNEXT and the Downtown Austin Plan as well as the Red River Cultural District.
- B. **Joint Sustainability Committee** – Commissioner Davis gave the update. In July, the Joint Sustainability Committee passed recommendations regarding Fayette Power Plant Debt Defeasement, 2016 Mobility Bond, Energy Code Enforcement Budget, Organics Collection Budget, and Transportation Demand Management Budget.
- C. **Bicycle Advisory Council (BAC)** – The Bicycle Advisory Council Vice Chair Sophia Benner gave the update. In June, a BAC subcommittee met to discuss the 183 North corridor with staff from CAMPO and CTRMA. In July, the BAC passed recommendations regarding the Community First! Village Bicycle Hub and connections to Southern Walnut Creek Trail, the Grove at Shoal Creek, and the Proposed November 2016 Mobility Bond Program.
- D. **Pedestrian Advisory Council (PAC)** – Pedestrian Advisory Vice Chair Heyden Walker gave the update. In July, the PAC passed a recommendation regarding the proposed November 2016 Mobility Bond Program. In August, the PAC received a presentation from Jim Dale of Austin Transportation Department on traffic signals and the use of late night flash.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

This is a running list of potential future agenda items that have been proposed by staff and/or commissioners which may be placed on a future UTC agenda. These items will not be discussed by the commission as part of this current agenda.

- a. CAMPO planning activities
- b. Ground transportation regulatory reform
- c. North Toll Road 130
- d. Haz Mat Route
- e. Transportation Demand Management
- f. Special Events Draft Ordinance
- g. Personal Rapid Transit

- h. Transit Impact Fee for Special Events (No update)
- i. Prop 7 TXDOT

A. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Rangel adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. without objection.

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