



**Urban Transportation Commission (UTC)  
Meeting Minutes**

**Regular Meeting  
13 September 2016**

The Urban Transportation Commission convened in a regular meeting on September 13, 2016 at 301 West 2nd Street, City Hall Mayor's Ceremonial Room, Austin, Texas.

Vice Chair Rangel called the commission meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

**Commission Members in Attendance:**

Eric Rangel – Vice Chair  
Mario Champion  
Kelly Davis

Jonathon Gins  
Cynthia Weatherby  
Michael Wilfley

**Commission Members Absent:**

D'Ann Johnson – Chair  
Celso Baez  
Dan Calistrat

Chris Hosek  
Beverly Silas

**Staff in Attendance:**

Jim Dale  
Cheyenne Krause

Emily Smith

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the meeting of 08/09/16 were approved on Commissioner Gin's motion, Commissioner Champion's second, on a 6-0 vote.

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

**2. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

None.

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. CAMPO Planning Update – Discussion and Possible Action**

Phillip Tindall of Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) gave a presentation, which included information regarding: CAMPO Region, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, CAMPO Planning Documents, CAMPO Structure, Transportation Policy Board (TPB) Roles and Responsibilities, Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Roles and Responsibilities, CAMPO Staff Roles and Responsibilities, UTC Participation in CAMPO Planning, Current Community Outreach, Learn More and Comment, and Current and Upcoming Initiatives.

Commissioner Davis presented draft recommendation language stating that "the Urban Transportation Commission requests the City of Austin representation to CAMPO reflect the positions:

PART 1. The Urban Transportation Commission opposes removing Lone Star Rail from the CAMPO 2040 Regional Transportation Plan, and supports continued funding of Lone Star Rail.

PART 2. The Urban Transportation Commission supports the completion of the Environmental Impact Study begun by Lone Star Rail to consider all options for the routing of the passenger rail line, even if Lone Star Rail ceases to be the lead agency to bring commuter rail service to the Central Texas Region.”

**Action taken:** A motion to approve the recommendation passed, after debate and amendment, on Commissioner Davis’ motion, Commissioner Weatherby’s second on a 6-0 vote.

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

#### **B. Connections 2025 Draft Transit Plan – Discussion and Possible Action**

Lawrence Deeter of Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority gave a presentation, which included What We’ve Heard, Plan Design Principles, Service Options – Mobility Toolbox, Proposed Plan, Rapid Transit, MetroRapid, Frequent Local, Frequent Network, Local, Express, Community, UT Shuttle, Mobility Hubs, Frequent Network Benefits, Ridership Impacts, ADA Impacts, Cost Implications of Proposed Plan, Plan Summary, Community Outreach Strategy, and Next Steps.

No action taken.

#### **C. Northtown Municipal Utility District (MUD) Amendment to Consent Agreement – Discussion and Possible Action**

Virginia Collier of Planning and Zoning presented draft recommendation language stating that “the Urban Transportation Commission recommends approval of this amendment to the Consent Agreement to accommodate a driveway cut on Howard Lane specific to a property located at 2800 S Heatherwilde Blvd.”

**Action taken:** A motion to approve the recommendation passed on Commissioner Weatherby’s motion, Commissioner Champion’s second on a 6-0 vote.

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

#### **D. Fleet Electrification Study and Plan (Response to Council Resolution 20160505-028) – Discussion and Possible Action**

Jennifer Walls of City of Austin Fleet Services gave a presentation, which included Current Fleet Composition, Recommendations, Electric Vehicle Economic Benefits, Electric Vehicle Additional Benefits, Vehicle Technology, Charging Technology, Fleet Analysis, Life Cycle Cost Analysis, Vehicle Purchases, 13 year Cash Flow, Charging Infrastructure Implementation, and 2017 Rollout Process. Karl Popham of Austin Energy was also present to answer questions.

No action taken.

#### **4. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Downtown Commission** – No update.
- B. Joint Sustainability Committee** – No update.
- C. Bicycle Advisory Council (BAC)** – BAC Chair Tom Thayer gave the update. In August, the BAC passed recommendations regarding the East 6th Street Improvements Project and the U.S. 183 North Project. In September, the BAC will discuss Central 7-mile Comprehensive Project, Connections 2025 Draft Transit Plan, and Roy G. Guerrero Park Trail.
- D. Pedestrian Advisory Council (PAC)** – Staff liaison Emily Smith gave the update. In September, the PAC discussed CodeNEXT, Central 7-mile Comprehensive Project, and Connections 2025 Draft Transit Plan. The PAC's Membership and Nomination Subcommittee also reported their recommendations for membership based on applications received. In October the PAC will hold their annual membership elections and take action on a recommendation regarding the Central 7-mile Comprehensive Project.

#### **5. 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. Ground Transportation Regulatory Reform (Weatherby, Johnson)
- b. Transit Parks (Davis, Champion)
- c. Non-Radioactive Hazardous Materials Route Designation Study
- d. Transportation Demand Management
- e. Special Events Draft Ordinance
- f. Pedestrian Mall
- g. North Toll Road 130
- h. Prop 7 TXDOT
- i. Transit Impact Fee for Special Events
- j. Personal Rapid Transit
- k. North Toll Road 130

#### **6. ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Rangel adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m. without objection.

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