



**BOND OVERSIGHT COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
17 FEBRUARY 2016**

The Bond Oversight Commission convened in a regular meeting on February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Austin, Texas.

The Commission Meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m.

**Commission Members in Attendance:**

Duke Browne  
Keri Burchard-Juarez  
Moses Garcia  
Brennan Griffin  
Linda Guerrero  
Kristina Hager  
Wolfgang Neidert  
Santiago Rodriguez  
Jay Sands  
Charles Thomas

**Staff in Attendance: Chief Financial Officer Elaine Hart and Katy Zamesnik, Financial Services**

**1. INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSION MEMBERS AND STAFF**

**2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

Lauren Cresswell spoke on Reconnect Austin, and specifically on the capping of I-35. Ms. Cresswell also spoke on the bike Master Plan, and the further analysis Reconnect Austin would like to see with regards to the capping of I-35.

Dan Keshet, representing himself, spoke on the need for an active transportation network. He spoke on the revitalization of Austin, the Great Streets program, and bus infrastructure.

**3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Recommendation to elect Keri Burchard-Juarez as Chair was approved on Commissioner Griffin's motion, Commissioner Sands' second on a 10-0 vote.

Recommendation to elect Moses Garcia as Vice Chair was approved on Commissioner Burchard-Juarez's motion, Commissioner Guerrero's second, on a 10-0 vote.

**4. DISCUSSION OF MISSION OF COMMISSION**

The Commission discussed the overall scope of the commission, which now differs from the previously Bond Oversight Committee. Members asked staff about the purview and/or jurisdiction of the Commission. Members asked for a list of items for which the Commission will be responsible and spoke on their desire to receive staff presentations on the existing bond program, including capacity and authorization.

**5. FUTURE MEETING DATES**

The Commission discussed the proposed calendar provided by staff, which consists of meeting monthly on the third Wednesday morning of the month. Members expressed support for holding all meetings in City Hall.

Recommendation to adopt proposed meeting calendar as written with a friendly amendment to meet in City Hall for those dates the Boards and Commission Room is not available was approved on Commissioner Thomas' motion, Commissioner Sands' second on a 10-0 vote.

**6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Commissioners discussed their priorities, including a list of authority and purview of bond programs, staff presentation on overview of the Bond process and how capital planning works within the City, Council priorities for upcoming Bond programs, and the types of deferred projects that have not yet made it into a bond program.

Recommendation to place a presentation on the bond program, including current authority and status of projects on next agenda was approved on Commissioner Garcia's motion, Commissioner Sands' second, on a 10-0 vote.

Recommendation to place adoption of by-laws on next agenda was approved on Commissioner Garcia's motion, Commissioner Griffin's second, on a 10-0 vote.

Recommendation to place staff update on Council Resolution regarding public input for transportation projects was approved on Commissioner Hagar's motion, Commissioner Griffin's second, on a 10-0 vote.

Recommendation to place on a future agenda a discussion item on community and Council member priorities related to transportation projects for a potential bond was approved on Commissioner Hagar's motion, Chair Burchard-Juarez's second, on a 10-0 vote.

**7. ADJOURN**

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

**The minutes from the meeting of February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 were approved on Vice Chair Garcia's motion, Commissioner Neidert's second on a 7-0-1 vote, with Commissioner Das Gupta abstaining and Commissioner Griffin off the dais.**