

## **RECOMMENDATION**

## **Pedestrian Advisory Council**

## Recommendation Number 20171204-04D: Capital Metro Downtown Station Design

WHEREAS, following a November 2017 briefing by Capital Metro Staff updating the PAC on the current design for the new Downtown Station and adjacent plaza within Brush Square,

WHEREAS, the PAC supports the overall direction of the plan to expand the downtown station,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Pedestrian Advisory Council recommends that the City of Austin, Capital Metro, and their consultants work closely with the Design Commission to review the design for the new Downtown Station and adjacent plaza within Brush Square, and receive appropriate design feedback, considering the following:

- 1. The pedestrian experience should be carefully considered to ensure function and safety, as well as the creation of a cohesive design which is enjoyable and engaging to pedestrians.
- 2. There should be robust pedestrian connectivity from Plaza Saltillo to Trinity Street, a separate pedestrian walkway from the bikeway, and a walkway on both sides of Fourth Street.
- 3. The design should allow for future extension of the rail line west, notably to Seaholm.
- 4. There should be an appropriate construction detour for pedestrian mobility, including ADA access and wayfinding for the vision impaired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Pedestrian Advisory Council recommends that the City of Austin develop a master plan for the southeast quadrant of downtown, including Brush Square, Waller Creek, I-35, and the Convention Center expansion.

Date of Approval: December 4, 2017

Vote: 6-0, with Carly Haithcock, Katie Deolloz, and Girard Kinney absent

Attest:

Branigan Mulcahy, PAC Chair