



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

**Regular Meeting  
14 May 2019**

The Urban Transportation Commission convened in a meeting on May 14, 2019 at 721 Barton Springs Road (Town Lake Center Room 130) in Austin, Texas.

**Commission Members in Attendance:**

Daniel Alvarado	Mario Champion	Samuel Franco	Cynthia Weatherby
Kelly Blume	Kelly Davis	Daniel Hennessey	Michael Wilfley

**Commission Members Absent:**

Jonathon Gins	D'Ann Johnson	Alex Reyna
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**Staff in Attendance:**

Emily Smith	Jason JonMichael	Jacob Culberson	Sonia Lopez-Ead
Marissa Monroy	Jason Redfern	Eric Miesse	

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Mario Champion called the commission meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: APRIL 9, 2019 MEETING**

The minutes from the meeting of April 9, 2019 were approved on Commissioner Wilfley motion, Commissioner Alvarado second on a 6-0 vote with Commissioners Gins, Johnson and Reyna absent and Commissioners Davis and Weatherby off of the dais.

**3. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

Two members of the public signed up to address the commission regarding items not on the agenda: Carlos Leon and Mike Levy.

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Austin Police Department Tow Fee Study and recommended increase of non-consent police tow rate – Discussion and Possible Action**

A presentation was made by Eric Miesse and Sonia Lopez-Eads, Austin Police Department. Two members of the public signed up to address the commission regarding this item: Tasha Mora and David Smith.

The following motion was approved on Commissioner Franco motion, Commissioner Wilfley second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Gins, Johnson and Reyna absent: *The Urban Transportation Commission supports Austin Police Department's recommendation to increase the tow fee for non-consent, non-private property tows for vehicles with a weight of less than 10,000 pounds from \$150 to \$195 with the stipulation that APD remains neutral about private property tow fee increases.*

**B. Shared Micro-Mobility Policy and Ordinance Changes – Discussion and Possible Action**

A presentation was made by Jason Redfern, Jacob Culberson, and Jason JonMichael, of the Austin Transportation Department. Three members of the public signed up to address the commission regarding this item: Dan Keshet, Josiah Stevenson, and Tom Wald.

The following motion was approved on Commissioner Alvarado motion, Commissioner Champion second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Gins, Johnson and Reyna absent and Commissioner Hennessey off of the dais: *The Urban*

*Transportation Commission recommends that City Council review the recommendations made by the Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Council regarding the shared micro-mobility ordinance changes.*

The following motion was approved on Commissioner Champion motion, Commissioner Alvarado second on a 6-1 vote with Commissioner Franco opposed, Commissioners Gins, Johnson and Reyna absent, and Commissioner Hennessey off of the dais: *The Urban Transportation Commission recommends that City Council, when considering updates to Chapter 13, ensures they:*

- *do not offer incumbent protection*
- *are fair to any applicants*
- *take into account the findings of the Austin Public Health study*
- *do not arbitrarily limit fleet size*

## **5. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Downtown Commission** – No update.
- B. Joint Sustainability Committee** – No update.
- C. Bicycle Advisory Council (BAC)** – In April the BAC adopted recommendations regarding Guadalupe St/Lavaca St transit improvements, Congress Avenue Urban Design Initiative, and Shoal Creek Boulevard alternatives.
- D. Pedestrian Advisory Council (PAC)** – In May the PAC adopted recommendations regarding Congress Avenue Urban Design Initiative and Shared Micro-Mobility Policy and Ordinance Changes.
- E. City Council Mobility Committee** – No update.
- F. Project Connect Advisory Network** – No update.

## **6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- A.** Transit Review Process in Zoning Change Requests and Site Plan Applications (Davis, Champion; June)
- B.** Austin Green PUD application and TIA review (Franco; July or Aug)
- C.** Street Impact Fees (Gins; TBD)
- D.** Capitol Complex (Champion; TBD)
- E.** Land Development Code (Davis; TBD)
- F.** Trail pilot (Champion, Weatherby; TBD)
- G.** CAMPO 2045 (Davis, Wilfley; TBD)

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Champion adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m. without objection.