

Council Member Ellis

Item 63 – Project Connect JPA

November 4, 2021 Council Meeting

Motion Sheet

I move the following amendment, adding one word to Section 2.7 of the Staff-Proposed Draft Joint Powers Agreement:

"These supplemental agreements must be taken by the appropriate parties and may be bilateral, such as for services or functions provided by the City or Capital Metro to ATP or to address specific project issues related to policy, planning, property acquisition, financing, design, construction, operations or maintenance of the Project Connect system."

I also move the following related direction to the City Manager:

"The City Manager shall initiate development of a ~~staff-level~~ supplemental agreement, ~~such as a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)~~, with Capital Metro and the Austin Transit Partnership that ~~documents-establishes a framework for~~ how the City of Austin and its partner entities will collaborate on multimodal infrastructure implementation along and around the Project Connect transit lines. This ~~agreement-framework~~ should document each entity's proposed responsibilities for planning, design, and construction, including but not limited to mutual expectations regarding funding sources and interagency communications. If the agreement does not require approval by Council under the Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act, the Manager shall finalize, publicly publish, and provide it to Council the staff-level agreement by March 1, 2022; otherwise, the Manager shall bring the draft agreement to Council for approval by March 3, 2022.

Further, the City Manager shall initiate development of a ~~staff-level~~ supplemental agreement, ~~such as an MOU~~, with Capital Metro that ~~documents-establishes a framework for~~ how the City of Austin and Capital Metro will collaborate on Equitable Transit-Oriented Development (eTOD) and any related land use planning in the eTOD study area, areas designated as TODs, and along the MetroRapid, Metrorail, and light rail lines included in the Project Connect initial investment ~~along and around the Project Connect transit lines~~. This ~~agreement-framework~~ should document each entity's proposed responsibilities for a successful land use planning process and ~~as appropriate, should complement be consistent with~~ the eTOD Policy Plan currently under development under the Council adopted resolution on June 10, 2021.

Barring unforeseen obstacles, if the agreement does not require approval by Council under the Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act, the Manager shall finalize, publicly publish, and provide it to Council ~~the~~ staff-level agreement by March 1, 2022; otherwise, the Manager shall bring the draft agreement to Council for approval by March 3, 2022."