

# City Council Special Called Meeting Transcript (Joint Meeting with Capital Metro Board of Directors and Austin Transit Partnership Board of Directors) – 10/04/2021

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[Austin City Council, Austin Transit Partnership Board of Directors and Capital Metro Board of Directors Joint Meeting]

YOU FOR JOINING US FOR THIS, UH, JOINT WORK SESSION OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL, AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN THE CAP, METRO BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON BEHALF OF THE CAPITAL METRO BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

I'LL CALL THIS MEETING TO ORDER.

TODAY IS MONDAY, OCTOBER 4TH, AND THE TIME IS 1 0 9 MAYER.

LET'S SHARE.

THANK YOU.

UH, ON, I'M GOING TO GO AHEAD AND CALL THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING PORTION OF THIS, UH, TO ORDER MONDAY, OCTOBER 4TH, 2021.

IT IS, UH, UH, 10 MINUTES AFTER ONE O'CLOCK WE HAVE A QUORUM PRESENT AND, UH, EXCITED TO BE BACK AGAIN WITH THE GROUP.

I THINK THE LAST TIME WE WERE ALL TOGETHER, IT WAS JUST BEFORE THE VOTE.

SO CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYBODY IN THE ROOM, CHAIR, CASTRO DE BERRERA.

DO YOU WANT TO CALL YOUR GROUP IN AS WELL? HELLO EVERYONE.

UH, WELCOME ON BEHALF OF THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP, I WILL CALL THIS MEETING TO ORDER.

THANK YOU, CHAIR.

UH, UH, IT IS GREAT TO BE BACK IT'S, UH, IT'S STRIKING, UH, THAT WE HAVEN'T MET SINCE THE ELECTION.

I HEARD IT TURNED OUT PRETTY WELL AND, UH, UH, CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO, UH, GOT US TO THIS POINT ALSO, UH, WANT TO CONGRATULATE OUR STAFF STAFFS, PLURAL FOR THE GREAT WORK.

UH, SINCE THAT TIME TO NOW WE ARE MAKING, I THINK STAGGERING PROGRESS, STEP STAGGERINGLY, GOOD PROGRESS, AND I'M SHOCKED HOW FAR WE HAVE COME.

AND I'M VERY PLEASED AT THE COLLABORATION, UH, OF OUR RESPECTIVE STAFFS, UH, TRYING TO MELD AN ORGANIZATION, UH, AT THE SAME TIME, UH, BELT, A COUPLE OF RAIL LINES, AND WE'RE OFF TO GOOD STARTS ON A COUPLE OF BRT LINES AND PICKUP, UH, PICKUPS ON.

SO IT'S LESS THAN A YEAR SINCE THE RESULTS AND SO MUCH GOOD HAS ALREADY OCCURRED.

UH, WE'VE SEEN ATP FORMED UP, UH, THEIR BOARD SELECTED AND, UH, LOTS OF GREAT STUFF TO DO, UH, AHEAD OF, AHEAD OF US.

UH, BUT SO MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR IN TERMS OF WHERE WE'VE GOTTEN TO THIS STATE.

SO, UH, MAYOR ANY, UH, REMARKS YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE BEFORE WE GET INTO THE BODY OF THE PROGRAM HERE? I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT, I GUESS, REAL QUICK, JUST TO TAKE NOTE OF WHERE WE ARE, YOU KNOW, A YEAR AGO IN A YEAR AND A HALF AGO, THERE WERE A LOT OF CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY THAT HAD BIG VOTES.

THEY WERE PLANNING TO TAKE TO THEIR COMMUNITY, UH, TO GET BIG PROJECTS LIKE THIS DONE.

MOST OF THEM DECIDED NOT TO GO FORWARD, CAUSE YOU WERE IN THE MIDDLE OF A PANDEMIC AND THE RISKS WERE JUST TOO GREAT FOR THEM.

WE DECIDED TO GO FORWARD.

A COUPLE OF OTHER CITIES DECIDED TO GO FORWARD WITH US PORTLAND, UM, UH, COUNTY OUTSIDE OF, UH, ATLANTA.

UH, WE WERE THE ONE THAT PASSED, UH, AND I THINK THAT'S A REAL ACHIEVEMENT FOR OUR COMMUNITY, FOR THE, FOR THE VOTERS AND FOR THE RESIDENTS.

UH, IT ALSO SHOWED I THINK THE, THE AMOUNT OF WORK AND EFFORT THAT CAPITAL METRO HAD PUT INTO THIS, UM, UH, RANDY, YOUR, YOUR GROUP, UH, GINA, THE CITY OF AUSTIN STAFF.

I MEAN A LOT OF WORK AND EAT A LOT OF WORK.

EVERYBODY PUT IN TO GET US TO THIS PLACE AND THE THING PASSED, UH, AND THE GUN WENT OFF.

AND AS YOU SAID, MR. CHAIR, THE, UH, THE, THE PROGRESS HAS BEEN, UH, BREATHTAKING, BUT IT NEEDS TO BE, IF WE'RE GOING TO ACTUALLY MEET THE TIMELINE, THE DEADLINES THAT WE PROMISED THE COMMUNITY WE WOULD, UH, AND, UH, TODAY'S MEETING TAKES US ONE STEP FURTHER IN THAT DIRECTION.

EXCITED FOR EVERYBODY TO BE BACK AGAIN.

THANK YOU, MAYOR.

UH, UH, CHAIR, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY SOME WORDS AS WELL BEFORE WE, UH, GET STARTED? WELL, THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR BEING HERE AND FOR BRINGING US TO THIS POINT IN TIME, IT TRULY IS AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE TO BE SERVING IN THIS CAPACITY AND TO BE REPRESENTING THE COMMUNITY HERE IN AUSTIN, AS WE IMPLEMENT AND ROLL UP OUR SLEEVES TO GET THIS DONE.

I KNOW THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF A LOT OF NEGOTIATIONS GOING FORWARD, BUT I I'M REALLY EXCITED TO SEE ALL OF US HERE TOGETHER AND WORKING HAND-IN-HAND TO SEE THE FUTURE OF OUR MOBILITY AND AUSTIN BE WHAT WE ALL ENVISIONED IT CAN BE.

SO WITH THAT, UH, I WELCOME, UM, THE COMMUNITY TO SHARE THEIR PERSPECTIVES AND, AND I SECOND MAYOR RATHORE AND CHAIR COOPER AND RANDY AND EVERYONE THAT HAS WORKED SO HARD TO GET US TO THIS POINT.

AND, UM, THANK YOU EVERYONE.

AND LET'S GET GOING,

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UH, STAFF, I'M GOING TO NEED A LITTLE HELP.

WE'RE READY FOR OUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

AND I UNDERSTAND WE HAVE A COUPLE OF SPEAKERS, BUT I DON'T KNOW WHO THEY ARE.

SO IF YOU COULD INTRODUCE THEM, UH, TODAY WE HAVE MR. SHELL, PAULA CONNOLLY FIRST GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNCIL MEMBERS, CAPITAL METRO BOARD MEMBERS, DIRECTORS.

UM, THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND DILIGENCE.

I SERVE ON THE CAC AND WORK WITH THE ATX MOBILITY COALITION TO ENSURE THAT PROJECT CONNECT WILL FULLY LIVE UP TO ITS PROMISES TO THE VOTERS ABOUT EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND ITS COMMITMENT TO PROACTIVELY ADDRESSING DISPLACEMENT TODAY, AS YOU BEGIN THE PROCESS OF REVIEWING THE JPA, I WANT TO SAY THAT AUSTIN'S MOBILITY, ADVOCATES, AND COMMUNITY ARE GOING TO BE PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION EVERY STEP OF THE WAY WE ARE CAREFULLY REVIEWING EVERY WORD OF THE FIRST DRAFT AND WE'LL REVIEW EVERY SUBSEQUENT DRAFT.

AS WE HOPE TO COLLABORATE AND HIGHLIGHT AREAS WHERE THE JPA CAN BE IMPROVED.

WE ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEE THAT THE LANGUAGE AND THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ALREADY DEMONSTRATES A WILLINGNESS TO WORK WITH US AND INCORPORATE FEEDBACK.

WE HOPE THAT IN EVERY SECTION WE CAN FIND BALANCE WHILE IT'S NOT ALWAYS POSSIBLE TO FORESEE ALL OF THE DETAILS IN SUCH A COMPLEX PROJECT.

WE MUST IDENTIFY PLACES WHERE THE LANGUAGE NEEDS TO PROVIDE CLARITY AROUND THE ROLES, RESPONSIBILITY, PROCESS, AND TIMELINE FOR THE ENGAGED PARTIES.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT.

WHAT LOOKS LIKE A DETAIL IN THIS DOCUMENT CAN TRANSFORM THE LIVES, HABITS AND OPPORTUNITIES OF AUSTINITES FOR DECADES TO COME.

THE ATX MOBILITY COALITION IS HERE.

WE HAVE OUR SLEEVES ROLLED UP AND WE'RE READY TO HELP.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU.

NEXT.

WE HAVE BIZ ZENOBIA JOSEPH.

I HOPE IT SHE'LL JOIN US LATER.

WE CAN ALWAYS TRY AGAIN.

CHECK YOU SAID THAT'S IT.

THAT CONCLUDES IT.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

UH, WE'LL BEGIN OUR DISCUSSION TODAY WITH AN UPDATE ON PROJECT ON THE PROJECT CONNECT PROGRAM, A PREVIEW OF THE ANNUAL PROJECT CONNECT MANAGEMENT REPORT, JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT, AND THEN CONCURRENT ACTIONS THAT WILL BE ON OUR OCTOBER 29 JOINT MEETING AGENDA.

MS. NIERENBERG WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET US STARTED G2? GOOD AFTERNOON.

BOARD'S COUNCIL.

MY NAME IS JACKIE NIERENBERG.

I AM DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INVOLVEMENT AT THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP, AND IT IS MY PLEASURE TO KICK US OFF TODAY WITH A WALK THROUGH THE JOURNEY WE'VE TAKEN TOGETHER, WHICH HAS BEEN PRETTY AMAZING.

SO IN 2018, WE LAUNCHED OUR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS FOR THE ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS FOR PROJECT CONNECT.

UM, AND WE BEGAN OUR PLANNING IN EARNEST BY JUNE OF 2020.

WE HAD A SYSTEM PLAN AND A LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE OR ALTERNATIVES ADOPTED AND SUPPORTED BY JULY AND AUGUST OF 2020.

WE HAD AN INITIAL INVESTMENT APPROVED AND FINANCE AND GOVERNMENT GOVERNANCE MODEL APPROVED AND ELECTION WAS ORDERED FOR PROJECT CONNECT.

AND THEN AS WE ALL KNOW, NOVEMBER, 2020, THE PROJECT CONNECT PROGRAM WAS APPROVED BY VOTERS BY 58% IN DECEMBER OF 2020, JUST A FEW WEEKS, WE HAD AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP ARTICLES, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FILED, AND THE ORGANIZATION WAS CREATED NOW IN 2021, WE HAD OUR FIRST ATP BOARD MEETING AND WE'RE DEVELOPING AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

AND THERE'S SO MUCH MORE TO COME AS A REMINDER, AS WE ALWAYS ASSUME THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE JOINING US TODAY WHO MAY NOT KNOW EVERYTHING THERE IS TO KNOW ABOUT THIS PROGRAM.

UM, I'LL GO OVER THE COMPONENTS OF THE PROJECT CONNECT PROGRAM HERE.

SO WE HAVE THE ORANGE LINE, WHICH RUNS FROM THE NORTH LAMAR TRANSIT CENTER TO STASSNEY IN PHASE ONE AND ENHANCED METRO RAPID UNTIL THEN, UH, UNTIL THE SECOND PHASE, WE HAVE THE BLUE LINE, WHICH WILL TRAVEL ON THE RIVERSIDE QUARTER, ALSO LIGHT RAIL.

WE HAVE THE GOLD LINE, WHICH WILL BEGIN AS A METRO RAPID SERVICE.

UH, WE'RE DOING THE NEPA PROCESS OR THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT, UH, ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY ON THE GOAL LINE SO THAT IT CAN BE IN THE FUTURE COMPLETED AS

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A LIGHT RAIL SERVICE, THE DOWNTOWN TUNNEL FOR THE ORANGE AND BLUE LINES, METRO RAPID, INCLUDING EXPO LINE PLEASANT VALLEY LINE AND THE BURNET TO MEN CHAKA OAK HILL LINE.

AND THEN THERE'S THE GREEN LINE TO COLONY PARK, WHICH WE WILL BE.

WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF THE NEPA, UH, ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY.

UM, IT'LL TAKE US TO FINAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION.

WE HAVE RED LIGHT AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE METRO RAIL SERVICE THAT EXISTS TODAY, INCLUDING TWO NEW STATIONS, METRICS, BREASTS, AND PARK AND RIDES.

UM, NEIGHBORHOOD CIRCULATORS ALSO KNOWN AS PICKUP MAINTENANCE FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS, CUSTOMER TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS. AND OF COURSE ANTI-DISPLACEMENT INVESTMENTS OUR PROGRAM SEQUENCE PLAN.

UM, AS YOU CAN SEE, WE ARE IN YEAR ONE, THE GRAY THAT REPRESENTS YEAR ONE FOR THE ORANGE AND BLUE LINES, LIGHT RAIL SERVICES INCLUDES THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT OR NEPA PROCESS AND PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING THAT THE ROYAL BLUE REPRESENTS FINAL DESIGN AND PROCUREMENT AND THE DARK BLUE CONSTRUCTION AND COMMISSIONING.

SO AS YOU CAN SEE, THE LIGHT RAIL SERVICES ARE EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY YEAR NINE.

METRO RAIL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE FIRST TWO YEARS GREEN LINE, WE'LL LAUNCH THE PROCESS YEAR EIGHT TO BE COMPLETED IN YEAR 13.

THE METRO RAPIDS ARE ALREADY IN PROCESS.

WE ARE ALREADY IN FINAL DESIGN FOR THE FIRST TWO OF THOSE LINES.

UM, AND THEN WE HAVE THE GOLD LINE, WHICH WE ARE IN THE NEPA PROCESS.

NOW METRICS, PRESS, AND PARK AND RIDES TO BE COMPLETED BY YEAR NINE, METRO BUS AND METRO ACCESS BY YOUR SEVEN CUSTOMER TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS BY YEAR THREE AND ANTI-DISPLACEMENT INVESTMENTS THROUGHOUT THE LIFETIME OF THE PROGRAM.

AND AS WE KNOW, THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP, WHICH WAS FORMED IN DECEMBER OF 2020 IS A LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION.

IT IS A PARTNERSHIP OF CAPITAL METRO AND THE CITY OF AUSTIN.

AND THAT MEANS THAT THIS PROGRAM WILL BE DELIVERED AS AN INTEGRATED PROGRAM BETWEEN THE THREE PARTNERS.

SO PROJECT CONNECT WILL INCLUDE THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY IS TO IMPLEMENT THE ORANGE LINE LIGHT RAIL SERVICE, THE BLUE LINE LIGHT RAIL SERVICE, THE TUNNEL, THE GREEN LINE PHASE ONE AND FACILITIES THEN CAPITAL METRO, WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY IS METRO RAPID METRO EXPRESS, THE NEIGHBORHOOD CIRCULATOR SERVICES CALLED PICKUP CUSTOMER TECHNOLOGY AND THE RED LINE IMPROVEMENTS PHASE ONE.

AND THEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY WILL BE TRANSIT SUPPORTIVE ANTI-DISPLACEMENT INVESTMENTS, UTILITIES, RELOCATION, PERMITTING, AND RIGHT AWAY, PAUSE HERE FOR A MOMENT BEFORE WE GO FORWARD.

THERE ARE NO QUESTIONS FOR MS. NIERENBERG.

I WILL MOVE AHEAD, UH, TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT AND THE ACTION THAT WE ANTICIPATE TO TAKE ON OCTOBER 29TH CINEMA.

I THINK WE MIGHT HAVE A QUESTION.

OH, MY APOLOGIES.

COUNCIL MEMBER, ACTUALLY, THIS IS MORE OF A QUESTION FOR THE, UM, PRO CHAIRS, HOW YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROCEED.

I HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS, BUT I'M HAPPY TO WAIT UNTIL AFTER WE GET THROUGH THE PRESENTATION, THAT MIGHT BE BETTER.

SAM AND JACKIE AND WHAT'S Y'ALL'S PREFERENCES.

WE'LL TAKE THEM SECTION OF THE TIME.

WELL, I HAVE ONE QUESTION ABOUT THE PROCESS GOING FORWARD, AND THEN I HAVE QUESTIONS THAT ARE REALLY MORE APPLICABLE TO THE JPA PROPOSED JPA ITSELF.

SO I THINK IF YOU WANT TO DIRECT QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO JACKIE'S PRESENTATION, NOW'S A GOOD TIME.

AND THEN I WOULD JUST ASK AT THE END OF EACH PRESENTATION, IF WE TAKE A PAUSE AND TAKE QUESTIONS THERE.

WELL, I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROCESS GOING FORWARD, BUT I'M NOT SURE IF Y'ALL ARE STILL GOING TO BE PRESENTING ON THAT OR WHETHER I SHOULD ASK THOSE NOW.

SO COUNCIL MEMBER, THERE WILL BE, UM, I'M GOING TO PRESENT ON THE CONTENT WITHIN THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT AND SOME OF THE OTHER AGREEMENTS THAT ARE ALREADY IN PLACE.

AND THEN AT THE VERY END OF THE DECK, WE'LL HAVE A SLIDE THAT SHOWS THE NEXT STEPS BETWEEN TODAY AND OCTOBER 29TH.

I'LL WAIT UNTIL THEN.

OKAY, THANKS.

GO AHEAD.

UNLESS THERE ARE OTHER QUESTIONS ON JACKSON'S PRESENTATION.

THANK YOU.

ALL RIGHT, THANKS.

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THE NEXT SLIDE, UH, WE HAVE OUR, UM, SUMMARY OF THE OCTOBER 29TH ACTION ITEMS. UM, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO LOOK AT THIS AND S BECAUSE WE ARE ASSEMBLED HERE, UM, AS THREE BODIES TO SEE HOW THESE ACTIONS ARE BROKEN UP, UH, BETWEEN EACH.

SO WE HAVE ATP BOARD ACTION, WHICH WILL BE A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CITY OF AUSTIN STAFF, AND, UH, AND THE PREDICTABILITY ORDINANCE, WHICH WE'LL SPEAK TO HERE TOWARDS THE LATTER PART OF THIS PRESENTATION, CAPITAL METRO STANDALONE BOARD ACTION WITH A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CITY OF AUSTIN STAFF DIRECTION AND THE PREDICTABILITY ORDINANCE AS WELL, CITY OF AUSTIN DIRECTION OR ACTION WITH THE RESOLUTION DIRECTING STAFF REGARDING PERMITTING AND REGULATIONS AND THE PREDICTABILITY ORDINANCE, AND THEN THE TRI-PARTY ACTION, WHICH IS THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT ITSELF.

AND, UM, THESE WOULD BE FOR OCTOBER 29TH, OBVIOUSLY TODAY, WE ARE JUST DISCUSSING AND TAKING QUESTIONS.

SO IN THE NEXT SLIDE, WE HAVE THE JPA TIMELINE AND, UM, AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO START WITH NOVEMBER 3RD.

SO WE'VE NOT ALL, UH, BEEN HERE IN ONE ROOM SINCE, UH, SINCE THE SUCCESSFUL ELECTION, BUT THE TIMELINE REALLY BEGAN THERE FOR THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT THROUGHOUT THE SPRING AND THE FALL.

THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT HAS BEEN GOING THROUGH, UH, EXHAUSTIVE DRAFTING AND, UH, AND REVISIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE STAFFS OF CAPITAL METRO, THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP, AND THE CITY OF AUSTIN.

I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE THREE ENTITIES AND THEIR STAFFS ARE WORKING INCREDIBLY CLOSELY TOGETHER, AND THIS PROCESS HAS BEEN A REALLY SPECIAL ONE.

WE'VE NOW FIND OURSELVES AT OCTOBER 4TH, UH, WHICH IS OUR WORK SESSION TO DISCUSS THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT, AS WELL AS OTHER PROGRAM UPDATES.

AND THEN TOMORROW EVENING AT 5:30 PM, THERE WILL BE A VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING WHERE WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS MOST OF THE CONTENT THAT WE DISCUSSED HERE TODAY, BUT IT'S MEANT TO GIVE THE PUBLIC AN OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR IT FOR THEMSELVES HERE AT, ON THEIR OWN TIME.

IT WILL BE RECORDED AND TO ASK QUESTIONS OF STAFF, AND THIS WILL KICK OFF, UM, A MONTH OF ENGAGEMENT BECAUSE WE WILL ALSO BE GOING TO OUR CAC AND OUR TAX AND OTHER ADVISORY BODIES.

AND THEN ON OCTOBER 29TH, WE HAVE THE SCHEDULED, UM, JOINT MEETING TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE JPA.

AND THEN FROM NOVEMBER UNTIL, UH, THE MIDDLE PART OR LATER PART OF 2022, THE BODIES WILL APPROVE OTHER ACTION FOR PROJECT CONNECT, IMPLEMENTATION AS NEEDED.

SO JPA ACTIONS TO DATE.

CAUSE I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE, UH, WHAT WE HAVE ALL DONE AS BOARDS, AS COUNCIL, UH, LEADING UP TO THIS.

SO IN OCTOBER, 2020, THERE WAS THE INTER LOCAL AGREEMENT TO CREATE THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP.

AND THEN FOLLOWING THE ELECTION IN DECEMBER OF 2020, THERE WERE JOINT RESOLUTIONS CREATING THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP, ADEPT APPROVING, AND ADOPTING THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BYLAWS.

BEFORE WE FILED OUR INCORPORATION PAPERS WITH THE STATE, THERE WAS ALSO AN AMENDMENT TO THE AUGUST, 2020 INTER LOCAL AGREEMENT AT THAT SAME DECEMBER MEETING BY CAPITOL METRO IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN RELATED TO THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN JANUARY, ONCE THE ATP WAS UP AND RUNNING THE ATP BOARD AND CAPITOL METRO ENTERED INTO AN INTER LOCAL AGREEMENT RELATED TO ADMINISTRATIVE AND CORPORATE SUPPORT FUNCTIONS OR SHARED SERVICES, UH, FOR THE ATP AND ALSO THE DIRECTION FOR CAPITAL METRO TO IMPLEMENT CERTAIN PROJECTS THAT ARE PART OF THE PROJECT CONNECT PROGRAM.

AND YOU SAW THAT IN JACKIE'S EARLIER SLIDE ABOUT HOW THE THREE ENTITIES DIVIDE UP THE WORK OF THE PROGRAM IN MARCH.

THERE WERE TWO ATP AND CITY OF AUSTIN, UH, ILS, ONE RELATED TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDING FROM, UH, THE ATP TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN FOR THE, UM, FOR ANTI-DISPLACEMENT F OR FOR THE PROJECT CONNECT PROGRAM, UH, PROJECT CONNECT OFFICE, AND THEN THE INTER LOCAL AGREEMENT RELATED TO THE ANTI-DISPLACEMENT INVESTMENTS.



AND THEN IN JULY, UM, THERE WAS AN INTER LOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN ATP RELATED TO PROCEDURES FOR TRANSFERRING THE PROPOSITION, A TAX REVENUE FROM THE CITY TO THE ATP AS REQUIRED BY THE CONTRACT WITH THE VOTERS.

SO DOCUMENTS THAT HAVE JPA DIRECTION.

UM, THERE WERE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS THAT HAD REQUIRED ELEMENTS OR TERMS, UH, THAT WERE ALWAYS INTENDED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND, UM, CAPITOL METRO AND THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP.

NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

ONE OF THOSE IS THE CONTRACT WITH THE VOTERS, WHICH WAS APPROVED IN AUGUST OF 2020 CAPITAL METRO'S CONCURRENT COMMUNITY COMMITMENT RESOLUTION, WHICH WAS THE CAPITAL METRO BOARD EXPRESSING SOME OF THE SAME SENTIMENTS AS CITY COUNCIL AND AUGUST, 2020, AND THE INTER LOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN CAPITAL METRO CREATING THE ATP.

UM, AND THEN THOSE LATER DECEMBER RESOLUTIONS,

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THOSE ARE REALLY THE FOUNDATIONAL DOCUMENTS FOR THE ATP AND FOR THE PROGRAM.

NEXT SLIDE.

SO YOU CAN SEE HERE IN YOUR PACKET, AND YOU'VE SEEN HERE IN SOME OF THE BRIEFINGS AND THEN THE ONLINE POSTINGS, HERE'S WHAT WE'RE CALLING THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT, REQUIREMENTS CROSSWALK, AND YOU CAN SEE UP IN THE UPPER, RIGHT? AND FOR THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING THIS AT HOME OR AT THEIR OFFICES, YOU CAN SEE IN THE UPPER RIGHT, WE'VE GOT A KEY HERE THAT SHOWS WHICH REQUIREMENTS COME FROM THE CONTRACT WITH THE VOTERS, WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL LAST YEAR, WHICH WERE FROM THE CAPITOL METRO COMMUNITY COMMITMENT RESOLUTION, WHICH WAS PASSED BY THE CAPITAL METRO BOARD, WHICH WERE, UM, BOTH IN THE CONTRACT FOR VOTERS IN COMMUNITY COMMITMENT.

AND THEN FINALLY THE ONES, UH, REQUIREMENTS THAT WERE IN THE INNER LOCAL CREATING THE ETP.

SO I WON'T READ EVERY WORD THAT IS HERE, BUT I DO WANT TO HIT ON SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS HERE.

YOU CAN SEE THAT THE CITY OF AUSTIN CONTRACT WITH VOTERS, UH, REQUIRED THE TRANSFER OF TAX REVENUE FROM THE CITY TO THE ETP AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO DO SO.

AND YOU CAN SEE HERE ON THE RIGHT WE'VE EXPLAINED HOW THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN ACCOMPLISHED.

SO IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT ON THE LEFT, YOU'VE GOT WHAT THE REQUIREMENT IS AND ON THE RIGHT, HOW THAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED, WHETHER IT'S ALREADY BEEN TAKEN CARE OF WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF, OR WILL BE ADDRESSED BY THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT HERE, YOU CAN SEE SOME OF THE REQUIREMENTS IN BLUE FROM THE CAPITAL METRO COMMUNITY COMMITMENT RESOLUTION.

ONE OF THEM WAS DEDICATING THE BALANCE OF CAPITAL METRO CAPITAL EXPANSION FUND TO SEED SOME OF THE EARLY PROJECTS WITHIN THE PROJECT CONNECT PROGRAM, AS WELL AS, UH, A COMMITMENT TO TRANSFER FUNDS THAT ARE RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT, US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

AND THAT WILL BE HANDLED THROUGH GRANT SPECIFIC ILS.

ONCE THOSE GRANTS ARE IN HAND, NEXT SLIDE HERE IN PURPLE.

YOU CAN SEE REQUIREMENTS THAT WERE IN THE CONTRACT WITH THE VOTERS, AS WELL AS THE COMMUNITY COMMITMENT RESOLUTION.

ONE HERE IS RELATED TO THE BETTER BUILDER PROGRAM OR SIMILAR, UH, AS WELL AS REQUIREMENTS OF OSHA, 10 TRAINING FOR WORKERS, OSHA 34 SUPERVISORS, UM, WORKERS' COMPENSATION ONSITE, INDEPENDENT MONITORING.

THESE VERY IMPORTANT TO NOTE WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE ATP BOARD AT THE OCTOBER 20TH, REGULAR ATP BOARD MEETINGS.

SO THE ATP BOARD, BECAUSE THEY WILL BE THE ONES ISSUING THE CONTRACTS RELATED TO THESE PROJECTS WILL TAKE ACTION IN OCTOBER, UM, REQUIRING OR DIRECTING STAFF TO INCORPORATE THIS INTO ADP CONTRACTS GOING FORWARD.

ALSO IMPORTANT NOTE THAT CAPITAL METRO CONTRACTS HAVE LIVING WAGE WORKER COMPENSATION, OSHA TRAINING REQUIREMENTS, AND ONSITE MONITORING.

AND THAT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE BECAUSE CAPITAL METRO, AS JACKIE MENTIONED, IS WORKING ON METRO RAPID, FOR INSTANCE, AS WELL AS SOME OTHER INVESTMENTS.

ALSO, YOU CAN SEE HERE THAT THERE WAS A REQUIREMENT IN THE CONTRACT VOTERS AND THE COMMUNITY COMMITMENT RESOLUTION RELATED TO PREVAILING WAGE, UM, UNDER THE DAVIS BACON ACT OR LIVING WAGE THAT WILL ALSO BE IN THE RESOLUTION THAT THE ETP BOARD WILL CONSIDER.

NEXT SLIDE.

UH, ONE SLIDE BACK, PLEASE.

AND, UM, THEN A THIRD ITEM THAT WILL BE IN THAT OCTOBER ATP RESOLUTION, UH, WILL RELATE TO A BUSINESS, UM, UH, MITIGATION, UH, BUSINESS IMPACT MITIGATION STRATEGIES IN A PROGRAM RELATED TO BUSINESS IMPACTS DURING CONSTRUCTION.

NOW YOU CAN ALSO SEE THAT THE, UH, THERE IS A REQUIREMENT FROM BOTH THE CONTRACT, THE VOTERS AND THE COMMUNITY COMMITMENT RELATED TO DBE.

UH, THE ATP BOARD ADOPTED A DBE GOAL AT THEIR SEPTEMBER, UH, 2021 BOARD MEETING CAPITOL, METRO APPROVED A RESOLUTION FUNDING, AVAILABILITY AND DISPARITY STUDY TO ASSIST CAPITAL METRO AND THE ATP ON DBE GOLD DEVELOPMENT AND FUTURE PROCUREMENTS.

UM, AND DBE GOALS MAY BE UPDATED AND BROUGHT BACK TO THE ATP BOARD FOR APPROVAL BASED ON THAT STUDY.

NEXT SLIDE.

AND THEN HERE WE HAVE ITEMS THAT ARE IN THE FOUNDATIONAL DOCUMENT FOR THE ATP FROM AUGUST OF 2020.

ONE IS A REQUIREMENT THAT THE ATP PRESENT AN ANNUAL MANAGER MANAGEMENT REPORT THAT WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE OCTOBER 29TH JOINT MEETING.

UM, ALSO IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THAT SAME REQUIREMENT, UH, HAD MENTIONED OF AN AUDITOR AND THE ATP BOARD IS IN THE PROCESS OF HIRING AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR WHO WILL REPORT DIRECTLY TO THE ATP BOARD.

AND THEN, UM, FURTHER DELINEATION OF ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CAC.

UH, THE PROJECT CONNECTS CAC HAS BEEN FORMED, HAS HELD MEETINGS, ADOPTED BYLAWS.

UM, AND THIS IS ALL BASED ON CITY COUNCIL AND CAPITAL METRO DIRECTION.

UH, SO THE CAC IS UP AND RUNNING NEXT SLIDE.

NOW THESE ITEMS HERE, UH, RELATE TO THE JPA.

SO THEY RELATE TO WHAT WILL BE CONSIDERED ON OCTOBER 29TH.

AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE, AND HOPEFULLY THIS PRESENTATION GIVES YOU A SENSE OF THE JPA STRUCTURE

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IS THAT IT IS MEANT TO SPEAK TO THE THINGS THAT THE THREE PARTIES NEED TO TAKE ACTION ON AND SPEAK TO THE REQUIREMENTS FROM CONTRACT WITH THE VOTERS, THE COMMUNITY COMMITMENT AND THE FOUNDATIONAL ILS FOR THE ATP THAT WE ARE, WE ARE SHOWING THE COMMUNITY AND WE'RE SHOWING EACH OTHER, UH, HOW, HOW WE'RE TAKING CARE OF THOSE REQUIREMENTS.

SO YOU CAN SEE HERE THAT THE JPA SHALL INCLUDE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDED, BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CORPORATE FUNCTIONS, FINANCIAL POLICIES, FUNDING, ALLOCATIONS TERMS, AND CONDITIONS RELATED TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

AND YOU CAN SEE HERE ON THE RIGHT, UH, HOW THOSE ARE BEING ACCOMPLISHED, NOT ONLY THE JPA, BUT ALSO SOME OF THE EXISTING AND ALREADY APPROVED DOCUMENTS.

NEXT SLIDE.

WE ALSO HAVE, UM, ITEMS RELATED TO UTILITIES UTILITY AND RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENTS.

SO IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT STAFF ARE DEVELOPING A UTILITY RULES OF PRACTICE AND DIRECTION TO USE THE UTILITY RULES OF PRACTICE OR EUROPE IS INCLUDED IN THE DRAFT JPA.

AND THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS RELATED TO RIGHT AWAY IN REAL ESTATE AS NEEDED AS THE PROJECT IS THE PROGRAM PROGRESSES ALSO DESIGN REVIEW AND

PERMITTING STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT OF A DBE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT OF WORKER SAFETY WAGE REQUIREMENTS, AS WELL AS A ROBUST COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS.

AND THE JPA INCLUDES LANGUAGE WITH PRINCIPLES AND COMMITMENTS RELATED TO COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

A COUPLE OF OTHER ADDITIONAL JPA HIGHLIGHTS.

IT FORMALIZES THE PARTY'S COMMITMENTS TO CONTINUE TRANSPARENT AND ACCOUNTABLE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS FOCUSING ON FOCUSED ON SEEKING OUT PRIORITY POPULATIONS.

IT ALSO ESTABLISHES THAT THE FINANCIAL MODEL AND SEQUENCING PLAN SHALL BE UPDATED AND REVIEWED ANNUALLY.

ONCE THE LIGHT RAIL PROJECT COMPONENTS REACH 30% DESIGN, THE JPA ALSO DIRECTS FOR THE CREATION AND USE OF UTILITY RULES PRACTICE, WHICH I ALREADY MENTIONED, UH, WHICH IS CURRENTLY IN DEVELOPMENT.

NEXT SLIDE, ALSO JPA REQUIREMENTS IN PRACTICE.

SO METRO RAPID CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT, THIS IS A CAPITAL METRO CONTRACT THAT WAS, THAT WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD, UH, CAPITAL METRO BOARD IN OCTOBER OF 2021.

IT IS IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE CONTRACT, WITH THE VOTERS AND THE COMMUNITY COMMITMENT, AND IT INCORPORATES ONSITE MONITORING INDEPENDENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES, 10 HOUR OSHA APPROVED TRAINING FOR WORKERS, 30 HOUR OSHA APPROVED TRAINING FOR SUPERVISORS, \$15 AN HOUR MINIMUM PAY WITH IN COMPLIANCE WITH DAVIS BACON ACT COMPLIANCE WITH DBE PROGRAM AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE, WHICH IS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW.

AND THEN FINALLY FOR MY PORTION, UM, IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT CAPITAL METRO AND THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP ARE CURRENTLY AT RECRUITING FOR A DIRECTOR OF WORKFORCE PLANNING.

WE ARE COLLABORATIVELY ENGAGING THE ATU, WHICH IS THE LABOR UNION FOR TRANSIT WORKERS HERE IN AUSTIN ON OPERATION STAFFING GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITIES.

ALSO COLLABORATIVELY ENGAGING PARTNERS, SUCH AS WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS, LABOR STAKEHOLDERS, SCHOOLS THAT COULD BE THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT OR LOCAL ISD FROM ACROSS CENTRAL TEXAS TO CREATE A WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES.

ALSO THE DISPARITY STUDY AND AVAILABILITY STUDY THAT I MENTIONED EARLIER, UH, THE STUDY WAS APPROVED BY THE CAPITAL METRO BOARD TO EVALUATE A DBE PROGRAM, IDENTIFY MINORITY AND WOMEN OWNED FIRMS WITHIN THE AUSTIN MARKET AND GUIDE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW DBE GOALS.

THE GOAL SETTING IS DUE TO BE COMPLETED BY SPRING OF 2022 FOR CAPITAL METRO AND FALL OF 2022 FOR FUTURE ATP PROJECT CONNECT TRANSIT PROJECTS.

I KNOW THAT THAT IS A LOT OF INFORMATION AND A LOT OF TEXTS, BUT I HOPE THAT THAT GIVES YOU A SENSE OF THE STRUCTURE OF THE DOCUMENT THAT WE'RE DISCUSSING TODAY AND WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR ACTION ON OCTOBER 29TH.

DO YOU WANT TO PAUSE HERE FOR QUESTIONS OR DO YOU WANT TO KEEP GOING, DO PAUSE HERE? QUESTIONS FOR MR. SERGEANT, ANY COUNCIL MEMBER KITCHEN? UM, YES, I HAVE, UH, I HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS.

I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU THE SUBJECT AREAS AND JUST TO ASK ONE SO THAT IF OTHERS HAVE QUESTIONS TOO, I CAN DEFER TO THEM.

SO, UM, I AM GOING TO GO AHEAD AND ASK YOU ABOUT PROCESS JUST BECAUSE I WANT TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTAND THAT.

AND THEN I HAVE QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE COMMITMENT TO EQUITY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

UM, THE J HAVING ITEMS IN THE JPA VERSUS AN INDIVIDUAL AGREEMENTS, THE FINANCIAL MODEL AND SEQUENCING, UH, PERMITTING DV AND, UM, SOME OTHER RELATED QUESTIONS.

SO I'LL JUST ASK ABOUT THE, UM, LET'S JUST FOR MY COLLEAGUES TO LET YOU KNOW THE KINDS OF QUESTIONS THAT I'LL BE ASKING.

SO LET ME JUST ASK ABOUT PROCESS RIGHT NOW.

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SO AS I UNDERSTAND IT, WE HAVE A, THERE'S A PUBLIC, UM, MEETING TOMORROW.

IF I HEARD THAT CORRECTLY, UM, I DON'T AT THIS POINT, SEE ANY OTHER ACTIONS BETWEEN OCTOBER 5TH AND OCTOBER 9TH, 29TH, BUT, UM, I THINK YOU MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT BRINGING THESE TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES.

CAN YOU SPEAK A LITTLE BIT MORE SPECIFICALLY TO THAT? OF COURSE, I DON'T HAVE THE DATES IN FRONT OF ME, BUT WE ARE GOING TO GO IN FRONT OF A RESCHEDULED MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

I DON'T KNOW IF THAT IS IT'S ON THE SEVEN.

THANK YOU.

AND THEN ALSO GOING IN FRONT OF THE, UH, THE THREE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES, AS WELL AS THE CAPITAL METRO ACCESS AND CUSTOMER SATISFACTION ADVISORY COMMITTEES.

UM, SO I BELIEVE THAT THOSE ARE THE ONES THAT WE HAVE ON THE BOOK, AS WELL AS THE PECAN AND THE ITECH, WHICH IS THE, UM, INTERAGENCY TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP.

AND THEN DURING THE MEETING TOMORROW, WE WILL BE ENCOURAGING FOLKS AND GIVING THEM THE CONTACT INFORMATION SO THAT IF THEY, UH, ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THEIR IN PERSON OR HAVE QUESTIONS AFTER THE VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING, THAT THEY KNOW WHO TO REACH OUT TO.

OKAY.

AND SO COULD YOU JUST PROVIDE US WITH A COPY OF THAT SCHEDULE SO THAT WE, WE KNOW WHEN THOSE MEETINGS ARE, AND, UM, AND IF YOU COULD JUST INDICATE WHICH THOSE MEETINGS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC TO WATCH, UM, AND, AND, OR, UM, PARTICIPATE IN, OR PROVIDE TESTIMONY IN, IF YOU COULD INDICATE THAT ON THE LIST THAT YOU PROVIDE TO US, UM, ALSO THAT BE HELPFUL TO UNDERSTAND.

UM, AND THEN, UM, SO PUBLIC FEEDBACK, HOW CAN WE GET A COPY OF THAT? WHAT'S THE PROCESS THERE? SO WITH THE VIRTUAL FORMAT, IT ACTUALLY MAKES IT VERY EASY TO CAPTURE THAT FEEDBACK.

SO WE DO THAT VIA NOT ONLY RECORDING THE MEETING, BUT ALSO VIA THE CHAT FEATURE IN THE ZOOM WEBINAR.

UM, AND SO WE WILL BE CREATING A COMPILATION OF THOSE COMMENTS AND CAN PROVIDE A REPORT.

OKAY.

SO WE CAN GET THE ACTUAL COMMENTS IN A COMPILE FORM, BUT WE CAN SEE THE ORIGINAL COMMENTS AND THEY'LL ALSO BE, UM, LOADED INTO OUR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT LIBRARY, UM, ON THE PROJECT CONNECT WEBSITE.

OKAY.

THEN, UH, THE, MY OTHER QUESTION IS, SO I SEE THAT THIS BODY DOESN'T MEET AGAIN UNTIL OCTOBER 29TH, ALTHOUGH I THINK SOME OF US HAVE MEETINGS IN BETWEEN.

SO, SO THIS IS SET UP SUCH THAT THE NEXT TIME THAT PEOPLE CAN TESTIFY IN FRONT OF US IS ON THE SAME DAY AS WE VOTE.

SO I JUST, I'M JUST FLAGGING THAT FOR FOLKS THAT MIGHT BE FINE, BUT, UH, WE MAY NEED TO THINK ABOUT ON OUR VARIOUS BODIES WAYS FOR PEOPLE TO COME IN AND, UH, TESTIFY TO US BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, TESTIFYING ON THE SAME DAY THAT WE VOTE.

AND IT'S THE OTHER PROBLEM WITH THAT IS WE WON'T HAVE A CHANCE AS A BODY TO TALK THROUGH THINGS ON THE SAME DAY.

I MEAN, WE CAN DO IT ON THE SAME DAY AS WE VOTE.

I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT THAT, UM, AND JUST FLAG FOR MY COLLEAGUES THAT AS WE GO ALONG, WE MAY NEED TO THINK ABOUT OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO HAVE SOME CONVERSATIONS AMONGST OURSELVES AND WITH EACH OTHER.

UM, I DON'T WANT TO PRESUPPOSE THAT.

I REALLY, UH, LET ME BACK UP FOR A MINUTE AND SAY, THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

I KNOW YOU'VE WORKED VERY, VERY HARD TO GET US TO THIS POINT, AND IT'S VERY MUCH APPRECIATED AND I APPRECIATED, UM, GETTING THE DOCUMENTS WHEN WE GOT THEM.

AND SO I'VE HAD A CHANCE TO READ SOME OF THEM, BUT I CERTAINLY HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO THOROUGHLY DIGEST IT.

SO TODAY I'LL BE ABLE TO TALK WITH MY COLLEAGUES ABOUT A FEW THINGS, BUT NOT ALL OF IT.

AND, UM, AND SO IT'S GOING TO TAKE SOME MORE THINKING.

SO THE SCHEDULE MAY BE FINE, I'M JUST FLAGGING IT.

AND WE MAY NEED TO THINK ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES IN OUR INDIVIDUAL BODIES, UH, TO HAVE A CHANCE TO TALK WITH EACH OTHER.

AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE SPACE ON OCTOBER 29TH.

UM, IF THERE ARE ISSUES THAT WE NEED TO TALK THROUGH, THAT WE CAN DO THAT.

SO, UM, SO THOSE ARE THE THINGS I WANTED TO JUST FLAG FROM A PROCESS STANDPOINT.

I WON'T ASK MY OTHER QUESTIONS AT THE MOMENT.

I'LL GIVE OTHERS A CHANCE TO ASK.

I'VE GOT A COUNCIL MEMBER ALTAR AND THEN COUNCIL MEMBER POOL.

THANK YOU.

GOOD AFTERNOON.

CAN YOU HEAR ME OKAY IN THERE? YEAH.

GREAT.

UM, SO I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK THAT HAS GONE INTO GETTING US THIS FAR AND WANT TO PARTICULARLY THINK, UM, OUR VOLUNTEERS ON THE ATP BOARD WHO ARE, UM, TAKING ON THE NEXT BATON HERE, UM, REALLY APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING.

I HAD A COUPLE QUESTIONS THAT

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ARE RELATED TO THIS.

I THINK THEY'RE ALL PRETTY STRAIGHTFORWARD.

UM, YOU MENTIONED THE DISPARITY STUDY AND I WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING A DISPARITY STUDY AT THE CITY OF AUSTIN.

I BELIEVE WE SHOULD BE GETTING THE RESULTS FROM THAT PRETTY SOON.

UH, WANTED TO UNDERSTAND HOW THERE WAS OVERLAPPING WORK AND HOW YOU WERE BUILDING OFF OF THE WORK THAT THE CITY OF AUSTIN HAS ALREADY DONE.

UM, WITH RESPECT TO OUR MINORITY AND WOMEN OWNED BUSINESSES.

SAM, CAN YOU TAKE THAT OR PRESIDENT OF CLARK? I'M NOT SURE THAT I HAVE THE LATEST ON THE B OVERLAPPING WORK, EXCUSE ME, I WILL TAKE THE BEST SHOT OF THAT COUNCIL MEMBER.

AND THEN WE CAN ALWAYS HAVE, UH, BOTH THE, UH, THE DBE AND EQUITY LEAD AT BOTH ATP AND THE DIRECTOR AT CAPITAL METRO WHO ARE LEADING THAT EFFORT, UH, REACH OUT AND CONFIRM MORE DETAILS WITH YOU, BUT IN IS THEY WILL BE LOOKING AT A UNIQUE DISPARITY STUDY AND AVAILABILITY STUDY BECAUSE OF THE UNIQUE TYPES OF WORK THAT WILL BE PROCURING.

SO ALL OF US DO THESE SAME TYPES OF PROCESSES, BUT DONE THROUGH DIFFERENT LENSES OF THE TYPES OF WORKS THAT EACH BODY CONTRACTS FOR.

SO I BELIEVE THAT THERE'LL BE USING THE CITY STUDY.

I BELIEVE THE COUNTY, IF I RECALL A VICE-CHAIR IS ALSO INVOLVED IN THAT USING THAT AS CERTAINLY A PIECE OF MATERIAL.

MY UNDERSTANDING IS IT'S THE SAME CONSULTANT THAT IS DOING THE CITIES AND COUNTIES WORK IS DOING OURS.

SO THE IDEA IS TO USE ALL THAT FOUNDATIONAL WORK.

AND THEN I THINK PUT IT INTO VERY SPECIFIC CATEGORIES, RELATE TO THE TYPES OF PROCUREMENTS THAT ULTIMATELY ATP AND CAP METRO WOULD PROCURE.

SO OBVIOUSLY THE AVAILABILITY OF SAY PEOPLE DOING RAIL SIGNALING WORK IS DIFFERENT THAN MAYBE THE CITY WOULD BE BIDDING ON PARKS OR OTHER TYPES OF EQUIPMENT OR THAT TYPE OF THING.

BUT I THINK IT'S ALL CONNECTED FROM AN UNDERLYING AVAILABILITY AND DISPARITY WITHIN THE COMMUNITY AND IN BROKEN DOWN BY CATEGORIES.

BUT I W I CAN GET THAT A LITTLE BIT, PROBABLY CLEANER DETAIL OUT TO YOU IN YOUR OFFICE.

THANK YOU.

I APPRECIATE IT.

AND I WAS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN SORT OF SOME OF THE UNDERLYING METHODOLOGY, BECAUSE I THINK WE HAD TRIED DOING ONE AND THEN WE STOPPED IT BECAUSE THERE WERE QUESTIONS ABOUT WHETHER THE METHODOLOGY WAS REALLY GETTING US A CLEAR PICTURE.

I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT APPLIES TO THE PARTICULAR CONTRACTS THAT WERE GOING OUT FOR, UM, IN THIS CASE, BUT I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT, THAT THOSE LESSONS IN THOSE LEARNING, IN THAT APPROACH FOR WE'RE TAKING CARE OF.

SO IF YOU COULD GET BACK TO ME ON THAT, I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT.



UM, AND THEN, UM, TWO OTHER QUESTIONS.

UM, I, I'M REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND APPRENTICESHIPS, UM, YOU KNOW, TO HELP FOLKS IN OUR COMMUNITY TO TRANSITION INTO THESE HIGHER PAYING JOBS.

UM, BUT I WOULD LIKE A LITTLE BIT MORE INFORMATION THAT'S BEEN PROVIDED TO US THUS FAR ABOUT WHAT THE PLANS ARE FOR THOSE APPRENTICESHIPS, GIVEN THE JOB MARKET, GIVEN THE AMOUNT OF CONSTRUCTION GOING ON IN OUR COMMUNITY.

I THINK THIS IS NOT JUST A NICE TO HAVE ADD ON IT IS INTEGRAL AND CRITICAL FOR US TO GET THE WORK DONE.

UM, SO I WANTED TO ASK YOU TO SPEAK TO THAT, AND THEN I HAVE ONE MORE QUESTION AFTER THAT THE TEAM IS LOOKING AT ME AGAIN, COUNCIL MEMBER, I GUESS I'M ON THE HOT SEAT HERE.

I THINK I'LL TAKE A CRACK AT THAT, WHICH IS ON BEHALF OF THE ORGANIZATION.

COULDN'T AGREE MORE.

THERE IS NO CHANCE OF DOING THESE PROJECTS CORRECTLY.

IF WE DON'T DEVELOP A WORKFORCE TO HELP DELIVER THIS PROGRAM, THIS PROGRAM IS LARGER THAN ANYTHING THIS REGION HAS EVER ATTEMPTED.

AND AT THE SAME TIME WE PLAN ON DOING THIS I 35 TO SOME CAPACITY, I ASSUME WE'LL BE MOVING FORWARD AT SOME CAPACITY AIRPORT, I BELIEVE IS LOOKING TO EXPAND THERE'S WHOLE KENNEL PARKWAY.

AND OBVIOUSLY THERE'S A TOWER CRANE ON EVERY CORNER IN THE CITY.

SO, UH, THE AVAILABILITY OF WORKFORCE TODAY IS SOMEWHAT OF AN ISSUE.

AND WE KNOW WE HAVE TO GET WORKERS TRAINED AND, AND BE PART OF THAT PROGRAM FOR THE FUTURE.

UM, PART OF THAT ALSO IS DEVELOPING PEOPLE, NOT JUST THE WE'LL BUILD THE BUILD THESE LINES AND PART OF THE PROGRAM IT'S THEN X AMOUNT OF THOSE PEOPLE THEN BECOME CAP METRO EMPLOYEES LONG-TERM TO DO ENGINEERING, OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM.

SO AS SAM, I BELIEVE HAVE THE SAME MENTIONED, WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF RECRUITING NOW FOR DIRECTOR OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, WE'VE HAD SOME EXPLORATORY CONVERSATIONS WITH BOTH DIFFERENT LEVELS OF EDUCATION SCHOOLS IN THE AREA PLUS WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS, AND SOME OTHERS.

WE KNOW WE NEED TO DEVELOP A REALLY, UH, BROAD BASED PROGRAM, UH, TO, TO, TO GET THESE TYPES OF WORKERS.

SOME OF IT IS INCREDIBLY SPECIALIZED WORKERS TOO.

SO SOMEONE LIKE SAY A RAIL SIGNALING, UH, INSPECTOR OR ENGINEER CAN'T JUST BE MADE OVERNIGHT AND INVOLVES YEARS AND YEARS OF TRAINING.

UM, SO WE, WE KNOW WE HAVE TO WORK ON THIS.

IT'S ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE REALLY COMMITTED TO 2022, WE HAVE TO GET THIS RIGHT, BECAUSE WE'LL NEED PEOPLE IN THE PIPELINE FOR 24, 25, 26 ALL THE WAY THROUGH 2030.

UM, SO I WISH I HAD A LITTLE BIT MORE DETAILS.

I WOULD SAY IT'S LIKE A LITTLE BIT EVERYTHING IN THE PROGRAM WHERE WE'RE BUILDING THE TRAIN A LITTLE BIT AS WE'RE DRIVING IT.

WE'RE NOT A BIG TRANSIT BASED CULTURE AND COMMUNITY HERE IN AUSTIN.

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HENCE WHY THIS PROGRAM IS SO IMPORTANT.

SO WE WILL BE LEARNING FROM OTHER REGIONS OF HOW THEY DEVELOP WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

WE KNOW THOUGH WE HAVE TO DO THIS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE, AGAIN, PEOPLE LIKE WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS OR THE SCHOOLS THAT REALLY CONCENTRATE IN THIS AREA.

AND I THINK IT'S GOING TO END UP BEING AN INCREDIBLE PART OF THE PROGRAM.

NOT LIKE YOU SAID, NOT AN AFTERTHOUGHT OR JUST A NICE TO HAVE, IT'S GOING TO BE INTEGRAL FOR US TO SUCCESSFULLY DELIVER THIS PROGRAM.

THANK YOU.

AND IF WE CAN, UM, MAKE SURE THAT AT LEAST THE COUNCIL IS GETTING AN UPDATE ON THOSE PROGRAMS SO THAT WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO WEIGH IN OR SHARE IDEAS OR THOUGHTS.

I THINK THAT WOULD BE REALLY IMPORTANT.

AND THEN I HAVE A SPECIFIC QUESTION ON THE GPA WITH RESPECT TO FUNDING FOR THE PROJECT CONNECT OFFICE, UM, THE COMMITMENT BY ATP TO PAY FOR THE PROJECT CONNECT STAFF, UM, IS IN THE COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITY SECTION.

I WOULD LIKE TO UNDERSTAND WHY IT IS NOT IN THE ATP SECTION AS WELL, OR IN ADDITION TO WE'RE EXCHANGING MEANINGFUL GLANCES.

UM, IF YOU HANG ON, I CAN TELL YOU ONE SECOND TO GET TO ANOTHER SCREEN HERE.

YEAH.

SO UNDER SECTION 5, 2 5, 2, 1 1, IT INCLUDES, UH, I'M SORRY, THAT'S IT THE WRONG ONE.

OKAY.

I WANT TO KNOW WHY IT'S NOT IN SECTION 4.3, BUT IT IS RATHER ON PAGE 17 IS WHAT I HAVE IN MY NOTES.

SECTION 4.3 IS THE COMMITMENTS OF A TEEPEE.

AND THE COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES IS IN SECTION 5.2 AND IT'S IN THERE.

AND IT SAYS THAT THERE'S A RESPONSIBILITY.

I THINK IT'S ON PAGE SEVEN SCHEME.

AND THIS MAY BE, YOU KNOW, A QUESTION OF ORGANIZATION OF THE DOCUMENT.

UM, I THINK COUNCIL MEMBER, IF YOU REFERRING TO, I GUESS, WHILE THE TEAM LOOKS OVER THE DOCUMENT HERE AND ASHLEY CASEY, I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN INVOLVED.

IF YOU HAVE ANY INSIGHT.

I THINK IF YOU'RE REFERRING TO SECTION 5.2 0.1 0.3 VERY GOVERNMENT DOCUMENT THAT WE'RE PUTTING TOGETHER HERE, THAT SECTION I THINK IS RELATION TO THE CITY'S RESPONSIBILITY.

SO IT WOULD BE PROVIDED.

FUNDING IS AVAILABLE AND THEN IT'S THE CITY, WELL STAFF, THOSE POSITIONS, I THINK WHAT YOU'RE YOU'RE MAYBE, UH, INFERRING IS THERE SHOULD BE A REPRESENT FOUR THAT SAYS ATP WILL FUND THOSE STAFF.

AND THEN THERE MAY BE A DISCONNECT THERE, EVEN THOUGH THAT OBVIOUSLY THAT IS THE INTENT.

AND SO I'LL JUST ASK THE TEAM TO GO BACK TO THAT DOCUMENT AND MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE, UH, THOSE TWO THINGS ARE MARRIED UP BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY THERE WAS AN ILA TO DO THAT.

SO IF WE'RE MISSING THAT NUANCE, WE'LL, WE'LL MAKE SURE WE GET THAT.

SO THANK YOU FOR THAT.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER, I'VE GOT A COUNCIL MEMBER POOL.

UH, THANKS SO MUCH.

UM, I WANTED TO THANK THE STAFF FOR THE DOCUMENT HERE AND SPECIFICALLY THE CROSSWALK.

IT LOOKS, UM, IT'S REALLY HELPFUL AND IT LOOKS COMPLETE, BUT I'D LIKE TO KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY ELEMENTS THAT MAYBE WERE MISSED THAT WERE NOT INCLUDED IN THE CROSSWALK OR IF IT IS INDEED COMPLETE.

SO THAT'S THE FIRST QUESTION.

I BELIEVE THAT THE CROSSWALK SHOULD BE FAIRLY COMPLETE.

ALTHOUGH THERE WERE A COUPLE OF SLIDES THAT I TOUCHED ON AFTER THE CROSSWALK TO MAKE SURE THAT WE, UM, TALKED ABOUT, UH, NOT ONLY THE UTILITY RULES OF PRACTICE AND A LITTLE BIT MORE DETAILED, UM, AS WELL AS THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS.

AND THEN, UH, MAKING MORE MENTION AS RANDY DID, OF THE FACT THAT THESE APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING IS GOING TO BE ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO GETTING THIS PROGRAM DELIVERED.

I WOULD SAY OTHERWISE, I BELIEVE THE CROSSWALK IS, IS FAIRLY COMPREHENSIVE.

THAT'S GREAT.

AND I'LL, I'LL BE LOOKING AT IT AGAIN.

I'VE GOT THE INFORMATION, UM, IN ADVANCE OF TODAY, AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT, BUT DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO GO THROUGH EVERYTHING.

REALLY.

FINALLY, I AM CURIOUS ABOUT ONE OTHER THING AND THAT'S APPROVALS AND WAIVERS TO THE APPROVAL PROCESSES.

I THINK THAT LET'S SEE, AND ONE, THE B IT RESOLVES, YOU GIVES BLANKET APPROVALS TO WAIVE THE CODE, EXCEPT FOR THE TRANSPORTATION CRITERIA MANUAL TO THE CITY MANAGER AND OUR APPROVAL PROCESSES.

AND A WAIVER PROCESSES ARE REALLY IMPORTANT.

THEY OBVIOUSLY ENSURE ALIGNMENT WITH CITY POLICIES, BUT THEY ALSO GIVE THE CITY AN OPPORTUNITY TO HIGHLIGHT INFORMATION THAT'S IMPORTANT TO THE COMMUNITY.

SO I NOTE THAT THE CRITERIA MANUAL IS MENTIONED, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE THAT'S IT.

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SO THE PIECE THAT'S BEING WAIVED WOULD BE FROM OUR ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS, WHICH WOULD BE WATER, QUALITY AND DRAINAGE.

AND THESE ARE REALLY KEY ELEMENTS OF OUR DEVELOPMENT CODE AND REGULATIONS.

SO I'D LIKE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT'S INTENDED.

WHAT IT SAYS NOW IS THE CITY MANAGER CAN WAIVE THOSE REGULATIONS AND I'M NOT COMFORTABLE WITH WAIVING OUR ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS, PARTICULARLY ON WATER, QUALITY AND DRAINAGE.

THOSE ARE REALLY IMPORTANT FOR FLOODING AND OTHER PURPOSES.

SO I THINK WE CAN MOVE PROJECT CONNECT FORWARD EXPEDITIOUSLY, BUT I DO THINK WE ALSO NEED TO, UM, MAKE SURE THAT WE HUE TO SPECIFIC REGULATIONS IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL SPACE, LTL MEMBER.

THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION THAT I THINK YOU'RE SPEAKING SPECIFICALLY TO THE ORDINANCE.

THAT'S ANOTHER CONCURRENT ITEM.

I HAVE A FEW SLIDES ON THOSE CONCURRENT ITEMS. IF IT'S OKAY WITH YOU CHAIRS, MAYBE WE COULD GO BACK TO THOSE SLIDES UNLESS THERE ARE OTHER QUESTIONS FOR THE REST OF THE TEAM ON THE JPA.

AND I COULD COVER THOSE SLIDES ON THE ORDINANCE AND THE RESOLUTION AND WHAT THE CITY STAFF ARE PROPOSING.

THAT THAT WOULD THAT'D BE ALL RIGHT.

YEAH.

UNLESS THERE ARE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS DIRECTED TO MR. SERGEANT.

NOW, I THINK IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO GO THROUGH THOSE FOUR OR FIVE SLIDES AND THEN TAKE ALL QUESTIONS.

YEAH.

THAT WE HAVE A FEW MORE.

UM, AND THEN, THEN WE CAN GO BACK TO THE DISCUSSION IF THAT'S ALL RIGHT.

THAT SOUNDS GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

IF WE COULD GO TO SLIDE 24, PLEASE.

THANK YOU.

AND, UH, LEANNE CONTI WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S PROJECT CONNECT OFFICE, UM, THANK YOU TO SAM AND JACKIE FOR OPENING US UP.

UM, THE SLIDES THAT I HAVE ARE ON THOSE CONCURRENT ITEMS. UM, SO IN ADDITION TO THE JPA ITSELF, UM, THERE ARE OTHER ITEMS THAT ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION ON OCTOBER 29TH, UH, SAM PREVIEW TO THOSE, UH, ON A PREVIOUS SLIDE, AND THOSE WILL BE SEPARATE ACTION ITEMS BY EACH PARTY.

AND I WANT TO OVERVIEW WHAT THOSE ARE.

SO THE FIRST IS A RESOLUTION FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION THAT DIRECTS THE CITY MANAGER AND STAFF TO REVIEW CITY CODE CRITERIA AND PROCESSES TO DETERMINE ANY IMPEDIMENTS TO THE DELIVERY OF PROJECT CONNECT, CONSIDERING THE GREAT SCALE AND NATURE OF THE PROJECTS AND HOW WE CAN PERMIT THEM AND ADHERENCE WITH THE SEQUENCE TIMEFRAME THAT WAS APPROVED BY THE VOTERS.

OUR CURRENT CODE, AS YOU ALL KNOW, IS VERY FOCUSED TO PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT AND IS NOT, UM, NOT SO DIRECTED TOWARDS LONG LINEAR CIP PROJECTS THAT ARE IN OUR RIGHT OF WAY.

SO WE WANT TO CONSIDER WHAT CHANGES MAY BE NEEDED, SPECIALLY FOR THIS PROGRAM OF PROJECTS, THE RESOLUTION ALSO DIRECTS STAFF TO PRESENT ANY CODE AMENDMENTS NECESSARY FOR PROJECT CONNECT TO CITY COUNCIL NO LATER THAN APRIL, 2022 IN THE INTERIM, THE DIRECTION TO STAFF WOULD BE TO INTERPRET AND APPLY OUR EXISTING REQUIREMENTS IN A WAY THAT SUPPORTS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECT CONNECT.

ESPECIALLY IF THERE'S ANY GRAY AREA IN THAT INTERPRETATION OR ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY, THE CAPITAL METRO AND ATP BOARDS ON OCTOBER 29TH, WE'LL ALSO CONSIDER RESOLUTIONS SUPPORTING THE CITY'S EFFORT AND THEIR CONTINUED COLLABORATION TO IDENTIFY SOLUTIONS TO ANY CODE OR CRITERIA THAT MIGHT NEED TAILORING TO PROJECT CONNECT.

NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

THE OTHER ACTION ITEM FOR COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION ON OCTOBER 29TH IS AN ORDINANCE AND THAT'S THE ONE THAT COUNCIL MEMBER POOL WAS JUST REFERRING TO.

THE ATTEMPT OF THE ORDINANCE IS TO PROVIDE THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP PREDICTABILITY ON THE RULES THAT ARE IN PLACE AS THEY USE THEM WORKING IN THE DESIGN PHASE TOWARDS 30 AND 60% DESIGN.

THE FOCUS OF THE ORDINANCE IS STRICTLY TO THE ORANGE AND BLUE LINES WHOSE ALIGNMENTS ARE PRIMARILY WITHIN THE CITY'S RIGHT OF WAY.

THE ORDINANCE SETS THE PERMIT APPLICATION DATE TO OCTOBER 29TH, 2021 FOR ANY PERMITS SUBMITTED PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION DATE OF DECEMBER 31ST, 2022.

BY THAT TIME WE ANTICIPATE THAT WE WILL HAVE IN PLACE THOSE ADJUSTMENTS TO REGULATIONS THAT ARE BEING DIRECTED BY THE ORDINANCE THAT I JUST SPOKE ABOUT.

THE ORDINANCE ALSO ALLOWS FOR RULES AND, UH, THE USE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS IN PLACE AT THE TIME OF THE APPLICATION DATE OR OCTOBER 29TH, 2021.

AND THAT WOULD BE A JOINT DECISION WITH THE CITY, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE CITY MANAGER ON HOW WE SHOULD PROCEED FORWARD.

SO IN TERMS OF THE TRANSPORTATION CRITERIA MANUAL, WE WANTED TO NOTE THAT THIS ORDINANCE DOES NOT APPLY TO THAT SPECIFIC MANUAL BECAUSE IT IS CURRENTLY IN THE RULES POSTING PROCESS AND HAS BEEN SO FOR ALMOST A YEAR.

AND IT WAS INTENDED TO GO INTO EFFECT IN JUNE OF THIS COMING YEAR.

AND SO THE ORANGE AND BLUE LINE TEAMS KNOWING THAT HAVE BEEN WORKING EXTREMELY CLOSELY WITH THE AUSTIN TRANSIT TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT TO INCORPORATE THE UPDATED STREET DESIGNS

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AND NEW CRITERIA INTO THEIR 15 AND 30% DESIGNS ALREADY.

AND THAT LASTLY, THE ORDINANCE DOES NOT APPLY TO ANY REGULATION CHANGES THAT WOULD BE MADE FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY REASONS PER THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE.

SO THE CAPITAL METRO AND ATP RESOLUTIONS ON OCTOBER 29TH WOULD BE ALSO IN SUPPORT OF THIS CITY'S ACTION ON THIS ITEM.

SO IF WE GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE, WE'LL JUST IN SUMMARY, THE ACTION ITEMS PROPOSED FOR OCTOBER 29TH.

UH, THE RESOLUTION BY THE ATP BOARD WOULD BE A SPECIFIC ACTION.

THE CAPITAL METRO BOARD RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY'S DIRECTION WOULD BE ANOTHER ACTION.

THE CITY OF AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL WOULD TAKE ACTION ON THE RESOLUTION AND THE ORDINANCE.

AND THEN THERE WOULD BE A TRI-PARTY ACTION ON THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT, WHICH WOULD BE THREE SEPARATE ACTIONS, BUT ALL TOGETHER IN SUPPORT OF THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT.

SO, UM, I THINK WITH THAT, WE COULD GO BACK TO YOUR QUESTION COUNCIL MEMBER ABOUT THE, ABOUT THE CRITERIA MANUALS, AND IF YOU WOULDN'T MIND RESTATING IT.

UM, I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL.

WELL SPECIFICALLY THE, THE ONLY MANUAL THAT IS CALLED OUT HERE IS THE TRANSPORTATION CRITERIA MANUAL.

AND I WOULD SAY THERE ARE OTHER CRITERIA MANUALS THAT THE CITY HAS TO, AND WE HAVE SPECIFIC POLICIES RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND DRAINAGE.

FLOODING IS A HUGE ISSUE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

AND, UM, I WOULD NOT BE COMFORTABLE, CERTAINLY NOT AT THIS JUNCTURE, UM, ALLOWING FOR A FRONT END WAIVER OF OUR ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS, SPECIFICALLY TO WATER QUALITY AND, AND DRAINAGE, UH, WITHOUT HAVING, I, I JUST COULDN'T DO THAT AT THIS FRONT END.

SO I THINK WE, AS A BOARD, AS A TRI-PARTY BOARD WILL NEED TO HAVE SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW THAT FITS IN.

I THINK, I DON'T THINK THAT STAFF EITHER WOULD, WOULD, UH, SUPPORT US, UH, TURNING A BLIND EYE TO THOSE REGULATIONS, ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY ARE HEALTH AND SAFETY.

AND I THINK YOU HAVE SOMETHING DOES NOT APPLY TO REGULATIONS THAT ARE MADE FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY REASONS.

UM, NOW THIS IS FOR APPLICATIONS THAT REQUIRE CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, BUT I THINK THERE IS A RECOGNITION IN HERE ABOUT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITY THAT, THAT WE PROBABLY JUST NEED TO EXPAND THE, UM, THE WORDING A LITTLE BIT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS THAT WE DON'T IN FACT INTEND TO WAIVE ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS.

AND THAT'S CORRECT.

COUNCIL MEMBER.

IF I COULD CLARIFY IT, THE, THE ORDINANCE DOES NOT INTEND TO WAIVE ANY OTHER REGULATIONS.

IT IS SPEAKING SPECIFICALLY TO CHANGES IN REGULATIONS THAT WOULD HAPPEN, BUT POTENTIALLY BETWEEN OCTOBER 29TH, 2021 AND DECEMBER OF 2022.

SO ANY OF OUR EXISTING CRITERIA MANUALS OR ENVIRONMENTAL CRITERIA THAT ARE REQUIRED WITH THE CITY CODE WOULD BE IN PLACE.

AND SO WE JUST SPECIFICALLY WANTED TO CALL OUT THE CRITERIA MANUAL BECAUSE IT WAS IN, IN PROGRESS OF BEING UPDATED AS WE SPEAK AND IS ALREADY BEING UTILIZED BY THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP IN, IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DESIGNS FOR THE ORANGE AND BLUE LINES.

AND WE HAVE, WE DEFINITELY HAVE TALKED WITH OUR, OUR UTILITY DEPARTMENTS AND WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT ANY PLAN CRITERIA UPDATES, YOU KNOW, WOULD, WOULD BE CONSIDERED, WE'RE NOT AWARE OF ANY RIGHT NOW, I BELIEVE THE CITY IS ACTUALLY, UH, PAUSING ON THE RULES, POSTING POSTING PROCESS FOR CRITERIA MANUALS AT THE MOMENT TO MODERNIZE THE RULES POSTING PROCESS.

SO WE'RE NOT AWARE OF ANY CRITERIA, MANUAL UPDATES THAT ARE UNDERWAY RIGHT NOW.

UM, AND WE, THAT WE HOPE THAT THAT'S TIMEFRAME ALLOWS FOR US TO BRING FORWARD.

ANY OF THOSE CHANGES THAT WE THINK MIGHT BE NEEDED SPECIFICALLY TO PROJECT CONNECT FOR YOUR FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS.

OKAY.

THAT SOUNDS GOOD.

WHAT I MIGHT RECOMMEND WHEN YOU MAKE THIS PRESENTATION TO OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND SO FORTH THAT YOU EXPLICATE THAT IN HERE AND THEN SPECIFICALLY STATE THAT THERE IS NO INTENTION TO WAIVE OUR ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS.

AND, YOU KNOW, AGAIN, YOU CAN SAY SPECIFICALLY WATER QUALITY AND DRAINAGE, BUT YOU KNOW, THERE MAY BE SOME OTHERS THAT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE TAG AND ARE, UH, VERY COGNIZANT OF.

UM, BECAUSE I THINK THAT QUESTION WILL COME UP IN THE COMMUNITY IF WE DON'T INCLUDE IT IN THESE PRESENTATIONS.

AND THAT, OF COURSE WE DO NEED TO SPECIFICALLY STATE THAT IN THE RESOLUTION ON THE ORDINANCE TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE ISN'T ANY MISUNDERSTANDING.

I KEEP THINKING WE ARE SITTING HERE TODAY AND WE ALL ARE, HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO, TO RE, TO SEE INTO EACH OTHER'S MINDS AND INTENTIONS.

BUT 15 YEARS FROM NOW THAT WON'T BE THE CASE.



AND MANY OF US WILL BE, HAVE MOVED ON TO SOMETHING DIFFERENT, EXCEPT FOR MAYBE RANDY CLARK.

HE'LL STILL BE LEADING EVERYBODY ON PROJECT CONNECT POINT BEING, WE DON'T WANT TO LOSE OUR INTENTION AND THE FOCUS AND THE CONCERNS THAT WE HAVE HERE TODAY.

SO WE WANT TO MEMORIALIZE THEM GOING FORWARD

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SO THEY DON'T GET LOST TO THE WINDS OF TIME.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER, I THINK.

AND THEY WERE, THEY WANTED TO COMMENT, THEN I'VE GOT A COUNCIL MEMBER KITCHEN, A COUNCIL MEMBER, I THINK COUNCILMEMBER TOVO WAS BEFORE ME.

GREAT.

YEAH.

THANK YOU.

AND THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER BOARD MEMBER POOL.

I WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT THAT'S EXACTLY RIGHT TO REITERATE THAT THE, THE POINT OF THE PREDICTABILITY ORDINANCE IS TO GIVE PREDICTABILITY, UM, AS REVIEWED THOROUGHLY BY WATERSHED SPECIFICALLY AUSTIN ENERGY AND, UM, THE WATER UTILITY, OUR SINGLE POINTS OF CONTACT, UM, TO FREEZE IN TIME, THE CRITERIA MANUALS AS WE KNOW THEM OF TODAY ARE, OR AS OF THE 29TH, UM, THROUGH ONLY THE DECEMBER 22ND TO GIVE THE DESIGN TEAMS PREDICTABILITY AS WE MOVE THROUGH THE PROGRAM.

AND SHOULD THERE BE ANY CHANGES TO CODE OR CRITERIA THAT ARE, UH, THAT ARE, UH, ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE PROGRAM? WE WOULD BE ABLE TO DISCUSS THAT.

AND THAT'S WHERE THE CITY MANAGER CLAUSE COMES IN, THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO JOINTLY AGREE ADMINISTRATIVELY THAT, TO USE A NEW RULE, UH, IN PARTICULAR.

BUT THE IDEA IS NOT AT ALL TO WAIVE, UM, ANY CURRENT CRITERIA IN ANY WAY, SHAPE OR FORM IT'S JUST TO FREEZE IN PLACE UNTIL, AS LEANNE SAID, WE HAVE DONE A THOROUGH REVIEW OF CODE AND CRITERIA HAVE DISCUSSED IT WITH STAKEHOLDERS AND HAVE COME UP WITH, UM, SOLUTIONS TO WHAT MS. CONTE TALKED ABOUT.

UM, THE WAY THAT OUR CODE AND CRITERIA FAVOR VERTICAL, PRIVATE DIRECT DEVELOPMENT, RATHER THAN LONG LINEAR MOBILITY PROJECTS.

AND SO, UM, I SHARE YOUR CONCERN ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT AND WANT TO ASSURE YOU AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS THAT, UM, WE HAVE CHECKED WITH WATERSHED AND THERE'S NOTHING MAJOR, NO MAJOR CHANGES THEY HAVE ON THE HORIZON, UM, BETWEEN NOW AND DECEMBER 22ND.

AND THAT, THAT IS THE EXPIRATION DATE, UNLESS AMENDED BY COUNCIL, SHOULD IT BE APPROVED? SO, UM, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO ELABORATE ON THAT.

AND IF THERE'S SOME CLARIFICATION WE CAN MAKE TO THE ORDINANCE, WHEN YOU'RE BETWEEN NOW AND THE 29TH, WE WILL CERTAINLY DISCUSS THAT WITH A LOT DEPARTMENT.

SO THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO ELABORATE.

YEAH.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER POOL FOR RAISING THAT.

SO I THINK WHERE FOR ME, UM, WHERE THAT CONFUSION HAPPENS IN THE ORDINANCE LANGUAGE IS THIS LINE WITH APPROVAL FROM THE CITY MANAGER, AN APPLICANT FOR A PERMIT OR APPROVAL REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT THE PROJECT CONNECT SYSTEM PLAN AS AMENDED MAY CHOOSE AMONG THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND ORDINANCES AND EFFECT ON OCTOBER 29TH AND THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND ORDINANCE IN EFFECT AT THE TIME THE PERMIT OR APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED TO THE CITY.

I WONDER IF THAT'S REALLY SUPPOSED TO BE AN OR BECAUSE AS I'M LISTENING TO YOU, YOU'RE DESCRIBING.

I MEAN, WHEN I READ THAT IT'S SORT OF, IT, IT SOUNDED A LOT LIKE THEY CAN CHOOSE AMONG THEM AND DECIDE WHICH ONES THEY WANT TO FOLLOW IN WHICH ONES THEY WANT TO HAVE WAIVED.

I THINK WHAT I HEAR YOU SAYING IS REALLY THEY CAN CHOOSE TO USE WHAT IS IN PLACE AS OF OCTOBER 29TH OR ANY NEW ONES THAT HAPPEN.

SO I, FOR ME, THE LANGUAGE OF THE ORDINANCE WAS REALLY CONFUSING.

I THINK I CAN RESPOND THAT THE ANSWER IS IT'S.

IT IS AN, AND BECAUSE FOR EXAMPLE, IF THERE WERE CHANGES THAT COME FORWARD BETWEEN OCTOBER 29TH AND DECEMBER OF 2022, THAT WERE IN FE, THAT THAT HELPED THE PROGRAM ALONG, THEN WE WANT TO BE ABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM, WHICH THERE MAY BE, BECAUSE I DO KNOW WE DO CLOSE COORDINATION WITH THE 2016, UM, CORRIDOR BOND PROGRAM, AND THEY MAY BE BRINGING, UM, SOME AMENDMENTS IN THAT TIMEFRAME THAT COULD BE BENEFICIAL TO PROJECT CONNECT.

AND SO WE WOULD WANT TO CHOOSE THOSE, BUT WE WILL, WOULD WANT TO HAVE CHECKS AND BALANCES ADMINISTRATIVELY TO BE ABLE TO CHOOSE THOSE, UM, APPROPRIATELY IF, IF THEY SHOULD BECOME AVAILABLE.

SO I UNDERSTAND, I THINK I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOUR INTENT IS.

SO YOU'RE, YOU'RE SAYING THAT THERE MAY BE SOME RULES IN PLACE NOW THAT WORK WORK WELL.

AND THEN THERE MAY BE SOME NEW RULES THAT WORK BETTER IN A DIFFERENT AREA.

AND SO KIND OF MIXING AND MATCHING THEM AGAIN, JUST ON FIRST READ OF THIS.

IT REALLY SOUNDS AS IF THERE'S ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY TO FOLLOW NONE OF THEM IN THE ORDINANCE.

SO TAKE A LOOK AT THAT.

WE'LL TAKE A LOOK AT THAT, BUT I DO, I DO THINK THAT'LL CAUSE CONFUSION FOR THE PUBLIC AT CHURCH AT CHURCH.

IT, FOR ME, UM, I HAVE SOME OTHER QUESTIONS ABOUT OTHER ELEMENTS, BUT I ALSO JUST WANT TO ADD MY, THANKS TO THE STAFF, UM, TO ALL OF, ALL OF THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE WORKED ON THESE IMPORTANT PROVISIONS.

I AM ALSO REALLY EXCITED TO SEE THE COMMUNICATIONS PLAN AND THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN.

I LOOK FORWARD

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TO DELVING A BIT MORE INTO THAT.

UM, THANK YOU TO THE VOLUNTEERS, INCLUDING MR. CONNOLLY'S HERE TODAY, WHO ARE ON THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, UM, FOR TAKING ON THE JOB OF, OF PROVIDING INPUT AND HELPING SHAPE THAT, AND ALSO, UM, SHARE MY COLLEAGUES INTEREST IN, IN REALLY GETTING BETTER AND MORE, MORE IN-DEPTH INFORMATION ABOUT THE WORKFORCE PIECE AND THE DISPARITY STUDY.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER COUNCIL, UH, JUST TO KIND OF, UM, CONTINUE ON THE QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE ORDINANCE.

SO, UM, I GUESS, UH, AND I MAY HAVE MISSED THIS, UM, UH, NICK, YOU HAD MENTIONED, UH, THE DECEMBER, 2022 DATE, UM, I GUESS I'M NOT UNDERSTANDING HOW THAT DATE PLAYS INTO THIS CAUSE I'M NOT SEEING IT.

UM, SO JUST HELP ME UNDERSTAND THAT.

CAUSE IT PART TWO SEEMS TO READ THAT IT, YOU KNOW, AT ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE, EVEN AFTER DECEMBER OF 2022, THEY COULD CHOOSE THERE COULD BE A CHOICE.

SO CAN YOU HELP ME UNDERSTAND WHY, HOW THE, THAT, WHAT THE INTENT IS THERE? THAT'S NOT THE INTENT, THE, THE WAY IT IS WRITTEN IS MEANT TO CONVEY THAT ANY APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR PERMITTING ON, UM, THE ORANGE AND BLUE LINE.

IF THE APPLICATION COMES IN ON THE 29TH, BETWEEN THE 29TH AND DECEMBER 31ST, 2022, IT WOULD THE RULES, THE CODE IN PLACE AND THE CRITERIA MANUALS IN PLACE, EXCEPT FOR THE TRANSPORTATION CRITERIA MANUAL, WHICH WOULD BE THE NEW ONE, UM, WOULD BE IN PLAY FOR PREDICTABILITY, EXCEPT FOR THE FACT THAT IF THERE WERE ANY CHANGES THAT WERE BENEFICIAL TO

THE PROGRAM, AGREED UPON BY, UH, BY THE CEO OF ATP AND THE CITY MANAGER THAT WE COULD UTILIZE THOSE AS WELL.

ANYTHING THAT CAME AFTER THAT WOULD JUST FOLLOW THE NORMAL PROCESS BECAUSE OF THE RESOLUTION BY DECEMBER, 2022 WILL HAVE DONE A SCAN OF THE RULES AND CODE ENVIRONMENT, AND WE'LL HAVE BROUGHT RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL.

I BELIEVE THE RESOLUTION SAYS BY APRIL 20, 22 TO, UM, GIVE Y'ALL A BRIEFING OF WHAT MAY NEED TO CHANGE IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE SEQUENCE PLAN.

SOME MAY BE ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS.

WE NEED INITIATED OTHERS MAY BE RULES THAT NEED TO BE CHANGED.

IT'LL PROBABLY BE A HOST OF, OF ITEMS OR MAYBE NOTHING AT ALL, BUT I THINK THERE'LL BE A FEW THINGS.

UM, AND SO THAT WE THINK WE CAN FINISH THAT BY DECEMBER 22ND.

AND THEN WE JUST FOLLOW OUR NORMAL PROCESSES OF WHEN SOMETHING COMES IN THE REVIEWERS, JUST GO TO NORMAL CODE AND CRITERIA.

OKAY.

ALL RIGHT.

WELL, I'LL GO BACK AND LOOK AT THE LANGUAGE WITH THAT IN MIND, AND MAY HAVE SOME SUGGESTIONS JUST TO CLARIFY THAT, BUT ON THE RESOLUTION ITSELF, UH, ANOTHER THING I WANTED TO FLAG IS THE, UM, PROPOSAL TO PRESENT THE CODE AMENDMENTS, FOREGOING, ANY REVIEW BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

UM, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO REALLY THINK THROUGH THAT, THAT REALLY CUTS OUT AN IMPORTANT PUBLIC INPUT ASPECT OF CODE AMENDMENTS THAT WE HAVE BUILT INTO OUR CITY PROCESSES.

AND AT THIS POINT IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT I WOULD FAVOR, UH, ALLOWING US TO, TO GO THROUGH THE CODE AMENDMENT PROCESS WITHOUT ANY REVIEW BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

SO I JUST WANTED TO FLAG THAT, UH, FOR FOLKS AS SOMETHING THAT CAUSES ME SOME CONCERN, AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO FLAG AND I'M NOT, I'M NOT OPPOSED TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL.

I JUST WANT TO THINK THROUGH THAT A LITTLE BIT MORE BACK ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL THAT YOU JUST SUPPLIED.

SO, BUT I DID WANT TO FLAG THAT WAIVER OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

AND AGAIN, I HAVE SOME, UH, I REALLY CAN'T SEE US DOING THAT AND I'M NOT UNDERSTANDING WHY WE WOULD WANT TO DO THAT.

SO, UM, OKAY.

I HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS TOO, BUT, UM, UH, SHOULD I GO ON WITH THOSE OR DID SOMEONE, DID ANYONE ELSE HAVE ANYTHING THEY WANT TO TALK ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE? I THINK COUNCIL MEMBER, MAYOR AS WELL.

THANK YOU.

UM, I APPRECIATE COUNCIL MEMBER PULL RAISING THE ISSUE ABOUT HOW THIS WORKS WITH RESPECT TO OUR ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS.

UM, WE HAVE TWO ITEMS BEFORE US.

WE HAVE THE PREDICTABILITY ORDINANCE AND THEN WE HAVE THE PERMITTING REVIEW, UM, RESOLUTION.

UM, AND IN THE LATTER, I DON'T THINK IT'S AS CLEAR, UM, AS IT MIGHT BE WHAT THE ORDINANCE, UM, AS TO WHAT IS GOING ON, UM, THE SECOND VIET FURTHER RESOLVED OR THE

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VIET FURTHER RESOLVED CLAUSE, WHICH IS THE SECOND RESOLVE CLAUSE IS FAIRLY BROAD.

UM, AND I'M WONDERING IF YOU CAN EXPLAIN A LITTLE BIT, UM, THE TYPE OF SITUATION THAT IT'S MEANT TO ADDRESS.

CAUSE I AM CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT KIND OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS MIGHT BE BYPASSED, EVEN AS I RECOGNIZE THE VERY VALID POINT THAT OUR CODE IS DESIGNED FOR VERTICAL CONSTRUCTION RATHER THAN LINEAR.

UM, THIS IS KIND OF LIKE A BLANK CHECK AND IT MAKES ME UNCOMFORTABLE WITH RESPECT TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

I'D LIKE TO BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT, WHAT WE'RE ACTUALLY ALLOWING BY THIS.

UM, AND MAYBE ALSO HOW IT FITS IN WITH NERPA COUNCIL MEMBER.

THE, THE, I THINK THE SECTION OF THE RESOLUTION THAT YOU'RE REFERRING TO IS ONE BE TO DEVELOP NEW REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES, AND WE WANTED THE DIRECTION TO BE BROAD TO BRING BACK ANY RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WOULD BE, UM, DETERMINED BY STAFF IS OUR REVIEW.

THERE, THERE ARE NO SPECIFIC REGULATIONS THAT ARE PROPOSED, UM, FOR, UH, YOU KNOW, TO BE CHANGED WITH THIS LANGUAGE.

IT'S JUST DIRECTION TO STAFF TO BRING BACK, UM, ANYTHING THAT WE WOULD THINK COULD POTENTIALLY, UH, ASSIST WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECT CONNECT.

UM, SO I, I DON'T, I SEE WHAT YOU SEE, YOU'RE SAYING THAT IT'S A VERY, IT'S WRITTEN VERY BROADLY, BUT THAT WAS INTENTIONAL.

SO I APPRECIATE YOUR CLARIFICATION, EXCEPT THAT I'M TALKING ABOUT THE LINE THAT SAYS UNTIL CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS NEW REGULATIONS, THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECTS THE CITY MANAGER TO INTERPRET AND APPLY EXISTING REQUIREMENTS TO PROJECT CONNECT, PERMITS, AND APPROVALS IN A MATTER THAT FAVORS AND SUPPORTS IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECT CONNECT.

YEAH, THIS COUNCILMAN WALTER, UM, I CAN RESPOND TO THAT, UH, NICO DAY PROJECT CONNECT OFFICE.

SO IN, UH, THROUGHOUT THE DAY, ALL DAY LONG DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT, ALONG WITH, UM, SISTER DEPARTMENTS WHO HELP WITH REVIEW ARE TASKS WITH INTERPRETING CODE, UM, AND, UH, THEY HAVE AN, THEY HAVE A NEW SECTION, UH, LED BY BRENT LLOYD, I BELIEVE WHO IS TRYING TO CATALOG INTERPRETATIONS, UM, SO THAT WE CAN BE CONSISTENT ALONG THE WAY.

AND SO WHAT THIS IS SAYING IS, IS GIVING SOME DIRECTION, SHOULD COUNCIL APPROVE THIS TO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT WHEN THERE'S A GRAY AREA, WHEN THERE'S AN INTERPRETATION IN PLAY TO REALLY THINK THROUGH, UM, HOLISTICALLY ALL OF OUR GOALS IN STRATEGIC DIRECTION IN 2023 AND NOT JUST THAT PARTICULAR REGULATION, WHETHER IT BE A TRANSPORTATION RIGOR REGULATION, WHETHER IT BE A UTILITY REGULATION OR CRITERIA, OR WHETHER IT BE AN ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION OR CRITERIA TO TRY TO THINK MORE HOLISTICALLY WE'VE SEEN IN THE PAST SOME INTERPRETATIONS THAT, UM, HAVE ACTUALLY CAUSED, HINDERED SOME MOBILITY PROJECTS IN THE PAST.

AND SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR MOBILITY GOALS ARE BEING CONSIDERED AND MAY, AND, AND THERE'S ALWAYS GOING TO BE TRADE-OFFS, BUT WE, BUT THIS IS MEANT TO ASSURE THAT, UM, DSD STAFF HAS WHAT THEY NEED AND HAS THE SUPPORT OF THEIR POLICY MAKERS, UM, TO CONSIDER A PROJECT CONNECT AND IT SEQUENCE SCHEDULE AS THOSE INTERPRETATIONS ARE MADE, BECAUSE THAT IS A NEW, IT'S A NEW, A NEW BIG PROJECT THAT'S BEEN THROWN INTO THE MIX AND IT'S NOT THE NORM, UM, WHEN THEY, WHEN THEY TO CONSIDER WHEN THEY'RE MAKING INTERPRETATIONS, I HOPE THAT HELPS.

UM, SO, SO I UNDERSTAND THE FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEM THAT YOU'RE TRYING TO SOLVE IS THAT YOU HAVE THE, THE LINEAR CONSTRUCTION, THEN OUR CODE IS WRITTEN FOR THE VERTICAL, AND THERE MAY BE AREAS OF INTERPRETATION THAT IF INTERPRETED THE WRONG WAY OR PROBLEMATIC FOR PROJECT CONNECT MULTI-SENSORY THOUGH, IS THIS IS KIND OF LIKE A BLANK CHECK WITH RESPECT TO ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.

AND I, AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT OPTION I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT OPTIONS WE HAVE TO BE A LITTLE BIT CLEARER ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS IN, IN, YOU KNOW, PARTICULARLY THOSE CASES OF THE WATER QUALITY AND DRAINAGE AND OTHER THINGS LIKE THAT.

UM, RECOGNIZING THAT THERE IS VARIATION AND THE GOAL IS THE FIRST PART IS TO COME UP WITH THE RULES, UM, THAT WE WOULD THEN AGREE ON.

I JUST, THIS IS A, IS THIS LIKE A BLANK CHECK? AND I, AND I, IT MAKES ME VERY UNCOMFORTABLE.

I DON'T HAVE A SOLUTION, BUT I DID WANT TO RAISE THE ISSUE AND, AND, YOU KNOW, LIKE, YOU KNOW, MORE CONCRETE EXAMPLES AND, UM, GUARDRAILS FOR THAT.

IS IT D I'M SORRY, COUNCIL MEMBER, WERE YOU NEEDING A RESPONSE? WELL, IF THERE'S MORE THAT THEY CAN SAY THAT WILL, WILL HELP ME, UM, HELP ME FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE.

I WOULD APPRECIATE IT, BUT, YOU KNOW, UM, I WOULD LIKE THEM TO COME BACK WITH SOME SUGGESTIONS ON HOW WE CAN PUT SOME GUARD RAILS ON THIS, UM, WHILE STILL ALLOWING FOR WHAT'S

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CLEARLY NEEDED IN TERMS OF, UM, FACILITATING THE LINEAR CONSTRUCTION WITH A CODE THAT'S NOT BUILT.

WE CAN LOOK INTO THAT COUNCIL MEMBER ALTAR BETWEEN NOW AND THE 29TH BY TALKING WITH HER SISTER DEPARTMENTS.

THANK YOU.

I THINK THE MAYOR HAD A QUESTION.

I APPRECIATE THE WORK EVERYBODY'S PUT INTO THIS.

AND AS WE'RE GETTING FROM HERE TO THE 29TH, JUST TO TOUCH BASE AGAIN WITH THE PROCESS, BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THE COMMUNITY IS GOING TO WANT TO BE INVOLVED IN THIS AND PICKING UP SOME OF THE QUESTIONS AT COLLEAGUE GAS, WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT OPPORTUNITY REALLY EXISTS IN A MEANINGFUL WAY.

SO YOU HAVE THE PUBLIC HEARING TOMORROW.

YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A CAC MEETING LATER IN THE WEEK, THE CAC YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEES MEETING.

YOU'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO GET OUT IN THIS CLOSE TO REAL-TIME, AS YOU CAN, THE COMMENTS THAT ARE PEOPLE THAT ARE MAKING.

SO THE PEOPLE CAN SEE THE COMMENTS AS WELL AS STAFF'S RESPONSES TO THE COMMENTS SO THAT THEY CAN SEE HOW THEY'RE BEING WEIGHED.

IF THERE ARE CHANGES THAT ARE MADE TO THE DOCUMENTS, THEN I WOULD HOPE THAT THEY WOULD BE OUT SUBSTANTIALLY BEFORE THE MEETING ON THE 29TH.

AND I WOULD HOPE THAT THEY WOULD BE COMING OUT IN A RED LINE VERSION SO THAT PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY CAN REALLY READILY SEE WHAT'S CHANGED.

UM, UH, WE HAD, UH, YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE THINGS I'LL TALK ABOUT HERE JUST A SECOND IS THE CEO POSITION WE SIGNED ON AND WE APPROVED AN ILA BACK IN, IN AUGUST 7TH, 2020 ON THE DRAFT THAT IT CIRCULATE UP TO THAT POINT AT HAD TALKED ABOUT AN INTERIM CEO FOR ATP ON THE DATE.

WE VOTED, IT CHANGED TO A SUCCESSOR CEO, AND I'M NOT SURE ANYBODY REALLY NOTICED THAT BECAUSE THE DOCUMENT SHOWED UP ON THE SAME DAY, THERE WAS NO RED LINE.

I'VE BEEN ASSURED SENSE THAT THERE'S NO SUBSTANTIVE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THEM.

AND THE REASON SUCCESSIVE WAS USED BECAUSE OF THE NON-PROFIT STATUS OF THE ATP.

UM, BUT SO AS TO, TO NOT HAVE THE KIND OF THE QUESTIONS OR THE FIRE DRILL THAT EXISTED OVER THAT DOCUMENT, IT'S REAL IMPORTANT THAT WELL IN ADVANCE OF THEIR MEETING ON THE 29TH, THERE'S ANOTHER DOCUMENT, THAT'S A RED LINE SO THAT PEOPLE CAN SEE WHAT'S CHANGED.

I DON'T KNOW EVERYTHING THAT PEOPLE ARE GOING TO RAISE IN TERMS OF ISSUES.

MAYBE WE'LL KNOW MORE OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS AS PEOPLE RAISE ISSUES, BUT JUST TO FLAG SOME, UH, I'M REALLY EXCITED AS OTHER PEOPLE HAVE MENTIONED THE EMPLOYMENT, UH, SECTION OF THE JPA, CAUSE I THINK THAT'S GOING TO BE CRITICAL FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND HAVING SOMEONE COME IN TO FOCUS ON THAT AND WORK WITH TAMRA WITH WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS AND ACC AND CAPITAL IDEA.

AND EVERYBODY I THINK IS WONDERFUL MAN AND, AND NEEDED.

UH, YOU KNOW, WE TRIED TO DO THAT WITH THE 2016 BOND PROGRAM THAT WE HAD IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN.

I SEE THIS PROJECT BEING ABLE TO TAKE THAT AND PUT IT ON STEROIDS AND REALLY BE ABLE TO BUILD IT OUT IN THE JPA DRAFT, UH, THAT WAY THAT WE HAVE, THERE ARE SEVERAL MENTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND KEEPING IT ENGAGED AND INVOLVED.

UM, LOTS OF PLACES, YOU KNOW, BEGINNING ON PAGE NINE, UH, BUT OTHERS WHERE IT SAYS THEY'RE GOING TO BE REGULARLY INFORMED.

UH, I'VE BEEN ASKED IF WE CAN ADD A LITTLE BIT MORE STRUCTURE TO THAT.

YOU KNOW, IF WE CAN, WE'VE TALKED IN THE ATP BOARD ABOUT WHEN THE AGENDA COMES OUT FOR THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEES, THAT A COPY OF THAT AGENDA AT THE SAME TIME, GO TO THE CAC MEMBERS, JUST SO THEY CAN SEE WHAT IT IS THAT'S COMING IN FRONT OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEES.

AND IF THEY WANT TO ATTEND, THEY CAN ATTEND.

YOU'VE PUT IN THE LANGUAGE IN THE JPA DRAFT THAT THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS, BUT NOTHING ABOUT HAVING THAN SAYING NOTICE THAT THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TECHNICAL COMMITTEES HAVE SO THAT THEY HAVE A MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO, TO, UH, TO, TO, TO PARTICIPATE.

SO I WOULD GO BACK THROUGH THE JPA DRAFT AND EVERYWHERE THAT YOU MENTIONED THE CAC, I WOULD, I WOULD, YOU KNOW, I WOULD BRING THAT IN.

YOU TALK ABOUT, UM, UH, IN, UH, UH, THE BYLAWS, THE BYLAWS OF THE, OF THE ATP OF THE CAC IS APPROVED BY THE ATP BOARD.

AND I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAD DECIDED IT WOULD JUST BE THE ATP BOARD OR WHETHER THAT SHOULD ALSO BE THE CITY OF AUSTIN.

UM, I THINK WE'VE ALREADY APPROVED THOSE.

AND I THINK THAT WE DID APPROVE THOSE, UH, THE, THE CITY OF AUSTIN.



I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE ONE OF THE PRIMARY FUNCTIONS NOT LIMITED TO THAT IS THE, HOW DO WE SPEND THE 300 MILLION, WHICH IS A PROCESS RUN BY THE CITY? SO THE CITY IS HEAVILY INVOLVED, OBVIOUSLY WITH THE, UH, WITH THE CAC ON SECTION 4, 2, 1, 4,

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THE ADVISORY COMMITTEES, 80 PEOPLE WORK WITH THE CITY AND CAPITAL METRO TO PROVIDE THE AGENDA AND MEETING INFORMATION PROBABLY SHOULD ADD THE CAC IN THERE TOO, SO THAT THEY HAVE THE SAME KIND OF, UH, KIND OF OPPORTUNITY.

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION IS SOMETHING THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TALK THROUGH.

I THINK LET'S SEE HOW THE CONVERSATION GOES OVER THEN, THEN THE NEXT MONTH.

UH, OBVIOUSLY NOT SOMETHING THAT WE'RE FACING IMMINENTLY BECAUSE WE'VE ALL AGREED.

UH, UH, AND, AND THANK YOU, RANDY, FOR, FOR SERVING IN THAT ROLE.

I THINK THAT YOU'RE IN THAT ROLE TILL TILL JANUARY OF 23 AT THE LATEST.

SO WE PROBABLY HAVE SEVERAL MONTHS TO MAKE SURE WE ACTUALLY WORK THIS OUT.

IF THERE ARE ISSUES WITH RESPECT TO THE LANGUAGE, IF WE CAN GET IT DONE THIS MONTH.

GREAT.

IF NOT, WE NEED TO TAKE A LOOK AT IT.

I DON'T, I'M UNCLEAR.

I HEAR PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY SAY THAT IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THERE BE INDEPENDENCE BETWEEN THE ATP AND CAP METRO.

AND I BELIEVE IN INDEPENDENCE, UH, THAT THERE ARE POTENTIAL FOR CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, WHICH I KNOW WE WANT TO AVOID, BUT I NEED HELP FROM THE COMMUNITY AND IDENTIFYING WHAT THOSE CONFLICTS ARE.

WHAT, WHAT IS THE EXACT CHALLENGE WE'RE TRYING TO SOLVE FOR? SO WE CAN SEE IF YOU SOLVE FOR THAT BY POSITIONS OR YOU SOLVE FOR THAT BY BRINGING IN A THIRD PARTY AUDITOR FUNCTION.

I JUST DON'T KNOW, BUT WE HAVE ONE ENTITY THAT IS BASICALLY CHARGED WITH OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM AND THE OTHER ONE CONSTRUCTING THE SYSTEM.

SO I'M GOING TO NEED HELP IDENTIFYING WHAT THE CONFLICTS WOULD BE.

AND I HOPE THAT WE HAVE TIME IN THIS MONTH FOR IF THAT EXISTS FOR THAT TO SURFACE.

AND THEN WE TAKE THE TIME TO BE ABLE TO RESOLVE IT RIGHT NOW, THE LANGUAGE THAT IS IN THE, THE JPA.

AND THEN THE POWERPOINT SAID THAT, UH, ATP BOARD AND CAP METRO SHALL DEFINE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE ATP BOARD WILL APPOINT SUCCEEDING, EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AND EVALUATE PERFORMANCE.

I WONDER IF THE ATP SHOULD ALSO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE INVOLVED IN THE, THE, UH, EVALUATION AND REVIEW OF THE CAP METRO CEO, OR IF IT'S ONE, HOW IT IS THAT WE BOTH DO THAT TOGETHER.

UH, SO THAT THE CEO IS RESPONSIVE TO, TO, TO BOTH ORGANIZATIONS, WHOEVER IT IS, WHETHER IT'S ONE OR MORE PEOPLE, BUT IDENTIFY THAT AS AN ISSUE, THEN I KNOW PEOPLE ARE GONNA WANT TO TALK ABOUT, AND I KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO BE COMING BACK TO US WITH SOME KIND OF REPORT, UH, PRIOR TO THE 29TH WITH HOW THAT IS KIND OF PLAYING OUT WITH, UH, PEOPLE IN THE, UH, IN THE COMMUNITY, THE SECTION WITH RESPECT TO THE COMMITMENTS OF ATP, WITH RESPECT TO LABOR, THERE WERE SOME SPECIFIC CHANGES THAT WERE PROPOSED.

I KNOW THEY WERE SENT TO YOU, UH, BY SOME OF THE LABOR ADVOCATES IN THE CITY.

I'D REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

IF YOU GUYS WOULD RESPOND TO THOSE AND MAYBE SEND A MEMO TO, UH, TO EVERYBODY HERE, UH, TO THE BOARDS OF CAP, METRO AND ATP, AND THE CITY OF AUSTIN WITH RESPECT TO HOW YOU RESPOND.

CAUSE I THINK IT'S GOING TO BE SOMETHING THAT EVERYBODY'S INTERESTED IN.

YOU GUYS DID A REALLY GOOD JOB.

I THINK OF PULLING IN EXACTLY THE LANGUAGE THAT WAS IN THE ILA AND, AND, YOU KNOW, AND, AND IN A QUESTION OF DOUBT, YOU KNOW, A TIE PROBABLY YOU STAY WITH THAT LANGUAGE BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT THE VOTERS, SO IF THERE'S BETTER OR CLARIFYING LANGUAGE, UH, THAT MAKES SENSE, AND WE MIGHT WANT TO PULL THAT IN A LIVING WAGE.

IT'S NOT THE SAME THING.

FOR EXAMPLE, IS \$15 AN HOUR.

I THINK 15, I THINK THE CITY'S LIVING WAGE AT THIS POINT MIGHT ACTUALLY BE A LITTLE BIT HIGHER THAN 15, AND CERTAINLY OVER THE NEXT 15, 20, 30 YEARS, THAT NUMBER COULD CHANGE.

SO IF YOU GUYS COULD JUST RESPOND TO THOSE, BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THAT'S GOING TO BE PART OF THE OTHER CONVERSATION THAT WE, UH, UH, THAT WE SEE, I'M EXCITED TO SEE THIS MOVING FORWARD.

AND, AND I, UM, YOU KNOW, SIX MONTHS AGO, YOU GUYS WERE TALKING ABOUT DOING A SINGLE JPA, UH, AND, AND MORE AND MORE THINGS STARTED GETTING THROWN IN THAT BUCKET, LOOKING AT THE JPA NOW KIND OF AS A COMPILATION OF, OF ILS AND AGREEMENTS, ALL OF WHICH RELATE BACK TO THE ASSIGNMENTS.

THAT DUTIES MAKES A LOT OF SENSE TO ME.

AND I THINK THAT'S A GREAT WAY TO WORK WITH MAYOR.

I THINK I WAS CHAIR 2 BILLION, HAD A COMMENT THAT I'VE GOT HOUSE MEMBER, KITCHEN AND COUNCIL MEMBER.

I HAD, I HAD MORE OF A, UH, A PROCESS QUESTION AND, AND, AND THAT IS, UH, WHETHER WE HAVE CONSIDERED, UM, A, INCLUDING A CHANGE MANAGEMENT PROCESS, UH, IN OUR SYSTEM SO THAT WE HAVE A CHANGE BOARD SO THAT WHEN WE HAVE UNREADINESS FROM ONE GROUP OR ANOTHER, THERE IS SOME REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE CITY.

THERE IS A REPRESENTATIVE

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FROM KAT METRO, UH, AND ALSO FROM, UH, ATP, BECAUSE OFTENTIMES, UH, WE MIGHT FIX ONE PROBLEM FOR ONE GROUP AND CREATE FOUR MORE FOR OTHERS.

SO IF WE HAVE A CHANGE MANAGEMENT TEAM THAT WAS BUILT IN, SO THAT WHEN THERE IS UNREADINESS, WE PUT OUR HEADS TOGETHER, WE PUT OUR, UH, WE PUT OUR OPTIONS TOGETHER AND WE, UH, AND WE GO THROUGH AN APPROPRIATE PROCESS.

THEN NO MATTER WHAT COMES UP, BECAUSE THERE ARE A NUMBER OF UNKNOWNNS.

AND THE QUESTION BECOMES WHEN THERE IS AN UNKNOWN THAT NEEDS TO BE FIXED.

AND THERE IS UNREADINESS, HOW DO WE BRING THE PROPER TEAM TOGETHER TO ADDRESS THAT PROBLEM? SO IF WE CONSIDER IT A, UH, A CHANGE MANAGEMENT, UM, TO, AS WE MOVE FORWARD IN THE PROCESS, I CAN THINK THAT ONE VICE CHAIR, SO ON THE ATP SIDE, THERE'LL BE A SIGNIFICANT STANDUP INSIDE THE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT WING OF, OF, OF THE STAFF FOCUSED ON KNOWING QUALITY CONTROL AND QUALITY ASSURANCE.

BUT WE HAVE A SENIOR DIRECTOR OF RISK, RISK, FEDERAL PROCESS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING.

AND THEN INSIDE THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE DOING PROJECT CONTROLS AND CHANGE MANAGEMENT.

SO ALL OF THAT HAS TO, AND THAT THOSE ARE VERY, VERY, VERY DEEP FEDERAL, FEDERAL PROCESS AND REGULATORY ASPECTS THAT AT A PROGRAM LIKE THIS, THAT THE WANT TO SEE IN DEALING WITH THE FDA AND THE RISK PROCESS AND ALL THAT.

SO WE GOTTA BE HANDING IN.

SO AGAIN, A GOOD, GOOD EXAMPLE WOULD BE, UH, SAY A RAIL LINE, A RAIL LINE MAY BE BUILT BY ATP CAP.

METRO HAS TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN IT.

THAT HANDOVER IS NOT A FRIDAY AND STARTS ON A SATURDAY.

THAT HANDOVER STARTS THREE YEARS BEFORE REVENUE SERVICE FOUR YEARS BEFORE IT EVEN BEGINS ALL OF THE INTERCONNECTION BETWEEN HOW WE HIRE SOMEONE, HOW SOMEONE MAY WORK IN OUR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE ATU CURRENTLY AT CAP METRO, HOW

WE WOULD TEST DRAINS, HOW WE DO SAFETY CERTIFICATION, HOW A CONTROL CENTER WORKS, MAINTENANCE STANDARDS.

A LOT OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS FROM ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION WILL ACTUALLY END UP CREATING A NEW ENGINEERING IN CONTROL GROUP INSIDE THE CAP METRO FOR THE RAIL DIVISION.

SO HAND AND GLOVE.

ALL OF THOSE THINGS ARE ABOUT CHANGE MANAGER, CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT, ALL LEAD UP INTO OUR PROJECT CONTROLS AND RISK.

YEAH.

I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S, THAT THERE IS A VEHICLE LIMIT, AND I UNDERSTAND THERE'S A FRAMEWORK THAT WE HAVE TO WORK WITHIN.

UM, BUT I THINK IT HELPS, UH, EVERYONE KNOW WHAT IS EXPECTED AND UNDERSTAND EXACTLY HOW IT'S BEING DONE.

IF THERE IS AN INTERNAL TEAM THAT IS GRIEVED AND, UH, AND CAN GET THE INFORMATION THAT IS NECESSARY, UH, TO SATISFY THE BOARD THAT THEY'RE REPORTING TO UNDERSTAND.

THANK YOU, VICE CHAIR, I THINK, UH, COUNCIL MEMBER KITCHEN, AND THEN I THINK COUNCIL MEMBER TOBO HAD FOLLOW UP AND COUNCIL MEMBER ELLIS HAD COMMENTS AS WELL.

UM, I WANTED TO, UM, FOLLOW UP ON, UM, SOME COMMENTS THAT THE MAYOR MADE AND THANK FOR ME MAKING THOSE WITH REGARD TO THE CAC.

I'D LIKE TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR THE, THE LEVEL OF DETAIL THAT YOU HAVE RIGHT NOW IN A 3.2 RELATED TO COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

BUT I DO AGREE WITH THE MAYOR THAT WE NEED TO GO THROUGH AND PROVIDE SOME MORE SPECIFICITY WITH REGARD TO THE CAC.

UH, FOR EXAMPLE, THERE'S ONE SECTION THAT SPEAKS TO, UH, THE CAC BEING REGULARLY INFORMED.

AND I THINK WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT THE WORDS THAT WE USE BECAUSE INFORM IS NOT THE SAME AS ENGAGE, UM, AND PROVIDING AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN DECISION-MAKING.

SO JUST WANTED TO FLAG THAT.

UM, ALSO, AND THEN I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT, UM, 3.1 THAT RELATES TO JOINT COMMITMENTS.

I THINK IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL IF WE ADDED LANGUAGE THERE THAT RELATES TO THE COMMITMENT TO EQUITY AND PARTICIPATION BY ALL AUSTINITES IN THIS PROGRAM, THAT'S A FUNDAMENTAL, UM, FUNDAMENTAL CORE BELIEF AND POLICY BEHIND PROJECT CONNECT.

UM, THAT I THINK, YOU KNOW, WE OFTEN JUST KIND OF, WE ALL KNOW WE WANT TO DO THIS, BUT WE NEED TO, WE NEED TO SPECIFY IT.

AND IT'S A JOINT COMMITMENT OF ALL PARTIES.

SO I, I THINK WE NEED TO BE THINKING ABOUT SOME LANGUAGE TO ADD IN HERE THAT WE RECOGNIZE THAT EQUITY EQUITY, UM, AND SERVING ALL, ALL COMMUNITIES IN AUSTIN ARE FUNDAMENTAL TO IMPLEMENTATION AND OPERATION OF PROJECT CONNECT.

UM, AND THAT WE'RE GOING TO LOOK THROUGH AN EQUITY LENS, UH, IN ALL THAT WE DO WITH REGARD TO PROJECT CONNECT.

SO I WANTED TO SUGGEST THAT, UM, ALSO, AND THEN I WANTED TO ASK A QUESTION RELATED TO, UM, THE FINANCIAL MODEL, AND IT GOES BACK TO THE JPA REQUIREMENTS CROSSWALK

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WHERE THERE'S SOME LANGUAGE IN HERE THAT, YOU KNOW, THAT PAGE IT'S PAGE 19, IT LISTS SOME ITEMS THAT, UM, ARE REQUIRED TO BE IN THE JPA.

AND ONE OF THOSE IS RELATES TO AN ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE INTEGRATED FINANCIAL MODEL.

SO THERE'S LANGUAGE HERE THAT SAYS THE JPA WILL INCLUDE LANGUAGE RELATING TO THE ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE INTEGRATED FINANCIAL MODEL FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO POTENTIALLY ACCELERATE OR DELAY ELEMENTS OF THE PROGRAM.

BUT I CAN'T TRACK THAT LANGUAGE BACK INTO THE JPA ITSELF.

UM, I SEE IN 4.4 0.1, THERE'S SOME LANGUAGE ABOUT REVIEWING IT, BUT THEN IT'S JUST A REPORT BACK FROM THE ATP, THE WAY I'M READING IT.

ANYWAY, SEEMS LIKE JUST A REPORT, NOT AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE, ALL THE PARTIES TO HAVE A CONVERSATION IN DISCUSSION FROM A POLICY PERSPECTIVE ON THE ABILITY TO, UM, TO POTENTIALLY ACCELERATE ELEMENTS OF THE PROGRAM.

SPECIFICALLY, ONE THING THAT I'M CONCERNED ABOUT AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE IN HERE IS A PROCESS RELATED TO CONSIDERING THE, THE TRAUNCH FOR PAYMENT OF THE, UM, THE 300 MILLION FOR ANTI-DISPLACEMENT.

UH, OUR BACKUP DOCUMENTS SETS THOSE OUT AS THREE TRONCHES OF A HUNDRED MILLION EACH, UM, AND IN THE OUTER.

AND WE WERE FORTUNATE TO, UM, I DON'T WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO WAS INVOLVED WITH THE EFFORT TO UPFRONT SOME OF THOSE FUNDS IN THE FIRST TRAUNCH, BUT WE HAVEN'T SAID ANYTHING WITH REGARD TO THE SECOND OR THIRD TRAUNCH.

AND MY CONCERN IS IF WE, IF WE WAIT PARTICULARLY FOR THE THIRD TRAUNCH, AND WE'RE JUST GOING TO EQUALLY DIVIDE OUT THAT A HUNDRED MILLION ACROSS THOSE THOSE YEARS, WE'RE GOING TO BE WAY TOO LATE TO ADDRESS ANTI-DISPLACEMENT.

SO THIS IS A MATTER THAT, UH, OBVIOUSLY IT'S GOT TO BE CONSIDERED IN LINE WITH THE FINANCIAL NEEDS FOR THE PROJECT CONNECT AS A WHOLE.

BUT WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE WRITTEN INTO HERE IS A PROCESS THAT ADDRESSES THAT.

AND I DON'T SEE THAT IN 4.4 0.1, I'D BE HAPPY TO WORK ON SOME SUGGESTED LANGUAGE, BUT THIS IS A MATTER FOR ALL THREE PARTIES AS PART OF THE JPA.

AND, UM, SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I WANTED TO FLAG.

UM, SO I DON'T KNOW IF YOU, IN MY, DID I MISS SOMETHING IN TERMS OF HOW I WAS READING IT, OR DOES THAT MAKE SENSE? WHAT I'M ASKING FOR? WELL, I THINK THERE'S EXPRESS LANGUAGE AND RANDY, MAYBE YOU CAN HELP ME, BUT IT CALLS FOR A REPORT BACK TO THE PARENT ORGANIZATIONS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO DEAL WITH ANY CHANGES TO THE FINANCIAL PLAN.

IT DOESN'T THE LANGUAGE DOESN'T SAY.

SO 4.4 0.4 0.1 SAYS THE ATP WILL UPDATE A REVIEW OF THE CASHFLOW MODEL ANNUALLY IN CONCERT WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION SEQUENCE PLAN, OR IS OTHERWISE NEEDED TO ESTABLISH THE FINANCIAL SAYS OF ATP IN IMPLEMENTING PROJECT CONNECT.

THAT SECOND WOULD BE MAYBE FDA ASKED FOR ANOTHER RUN OF THE MODEL OR SOMETHING DURING THE PROCESS.

AND THEN IT SAYS THE REVIEW SHOULD DETERMINE IF THE IMPLEMENTATION SEQUENCE PLAN REQUIRES ADJUSTMENT ATP SHALL PREVENT ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDED ACTIONS AT THE ANNUAL JOINT ANNUAL MEETING, BUT MAY ALSO REQUEST A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE PARTIES FOR CHANGES TO THE IMPLEMENTATION SEQUENCE PLAN AS NEEDED.

THAT'S GREAT.

I JUST DON'T THINK IT HAS ENOUGH SPECIFICITY.

I'D LIKE IT TO BE MORE SPECIFIC WITH REGARD TO THE M TWO WITH REGARD TO THE POTENTIAL TO UPFRONT THE, UM, OR THE TRAUNCH RELATED TO ANTI-DISPLACEMENT.

SO I'D LIKE SOME MORE SPECIFICITY THERE.

I ALSO THINK THAT THE FINANCIAL MODEL, ALL THREE PARTIES SHOULD HAVE ACCESS TO REVIEW OF THAT IN THE WAY I'M READING THIS.

IT JUST TALKS ABOUT ATP PRESENTING FINDINGS.

IT DOESN'T SPECIFY THAT ALL THREE PARTIES HAVE THE ABILITY TO REVIEW THE FINANCIAL MODEL.

SO I'LL PROVIDE SOME SUGGESTED LANGUAGE.

I THINK WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT IS ALIGNED WITH THE INTENT.

IT'S JUST THAT THIS LANGUAGE DOESN'T SPECIFY.

UM, AND IF, IF IT'S NOT IN LINE WITH THE INTENT, YOU KNOW, LET ME KNOW RIGHT NOW, BUT, UM, I THINK WE NEED THE SPECIFICITY.

I'M SORRY.

YOU HAVE A QUESTION FOR, NO, I GUESS I'M JUST GOING TO ASSUME THAT WHAT I SUGGESTED ALIGNS WITH THE INTENT, I'M NOT HEARING OTHERWISE FROM ANYBODY, SO, OKAY.

UM, THEN, UM, I WILL, UM, I'LL JUST FLAG THIS OTHER CONCERN THAT WILL TAKE A LONGER CONVERSATION.

UM, I'M SEEING THAT THERE WERE SOME THINGS WRITTEN AS REQUIRED TO BE IN THE JPA THAT

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WE THEN ARE ACT IN THE JPA IS A DOCUMENT THAT IS APPROVED BY ALL THREE PARTIES.

SO WE'VE GOT SOME LANGUAGE THAT OF, OF S WE'RE WE'RE WE FLAGGED, YOU KNOW, SUBJECT THINGS THAT HAD TO BE IN THE JPA.

BUT THEN, BUT THEN WE'RE SAYING THAT THE DECISION ABOUT THOSE PROCESSES AND PROCEDURES WOULD BE MADE BY TWO OF THE PARTIES OR ONE OF THE PARTIES IN DIFFERENT INSTANCES.

SO I'LL PROVIDE YOU WITH MORE DETAIL ABOUT WHICH ONES I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT.

WE DON'T HAVE TO GO INTO THAT DETAIL NOW, BUT ON THE FACE OF IT, I WONDER WHETHER WE'RE REALLY KEEPING WITH THE INTENT OF THOSE REQUIREMENTS BEING IN THE JPA, IF WE'RE SAYING X HAS TO BE IN THE JPA AND THEN THE LANGUAGE AND THE JPA SAYS, WELL, ONE PARTY IS GOING TO DECIDE THAT OR TWO PARTIES ARE GOING TO DECIDE THAT.

SO THAT'S A FUNDAMENTAL QUESTION I HAVE ABOUT THE WAY THIS IS SET UP AND I'LL GO BACK AND PROVIDE MORE DETAIL.

I HAVEN'T HAD THE ABILITY TO LOOK.

I HAVEN'T HAD THE TIME TO ACTUALLY THINK THROUGH IT, BUT THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS THAT STRUCK ME ABOUT THIS.

SO COUNCIL MEMBER TOVO, BUT THEN I'VE GOT ELLIS, SCRANTON AND POOL.

THANK YOU.

I WANT TO GET BACK TO BETTER BUILDER STANDARDS AND GET CLEAR ON WHETHER THE METRO RAPID BUS LINES ARE BEING BUILT, USING BETTER BUILDER STANDARDS AS WELL.

UM, AND IF YOU CAN TALK US THROUGH THAT PIECE, PLEASE, COUNCIL MEMBER, UM, THE, UM, LET ME GET BACK TO MY PAGE AND MY NOTES.

I APOLOGIZE SO WELL.

UM, YEAH, ON PAGE 16, IT TALKS ABOUT, IT TALKS ABOUT BETTER BUILDER PROGRAM BEING IN PLACE FOR, UM, AS PART OF THE VOTE, THE COMMITMENT OF THE VOTERS.

THE QUESTION THAT I RECEIVED FROM A CONSTITUENT IS WHETHER THOSE ARE WHETHER THOSE ARE THE STANDARDS CURRENTLY.

UM, IF SOME OF THE PROCUREMENT PROCESSES HAVE MOVED FORWARD FOR METRO RAPID LINES.

SO FOR THE METRO RAPID CONTRACTS, UH, THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE CAPITAL METRO BOARD AT THE OCTOBER MEETING AND IN LINE WITH THE CONTRACT, WITH THE VOTERS OF USING BETTER BUILDER PROGRAM OR SIMILAR, UH, THOSE CONTRACTS DO INCLUDE THE ONSITE MONITORING 10 HOUR OSHA, \$15 MINIMUM PAY AND COMPLIANCE WITH DAVIS BACON, AS WELL AS WORKERS' COMP IS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW.

SO I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THEY ARE USING BETTER BUILDER PROGRAM, BUT IT IS STILL BETTER BUILDER PROGRAM OR SIMILAR WAS WHAT THE SPIRIT OF THE CONTRACT VOTERS, AS WELL AS THE COMMUNITY COMMITMENT FROM CAPITAL METRIS STATED.

OKAY.

SO YOU JUST READ FROM SOME NOTES, TALKING ABOUT WHAT STANDARDS, THE STANDARDS TO WHICH THOSE CONTRACTS ARE GOING TO BE HELD.

CAN YOU TELL ME WHERE THE IS? DOES THAT EXIST SOMEWHERE IN THIS PACKET? NO, I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THAT'S IN THIS PACKET.

SO THEN I'M GOING TO HAVE TO ASK YOU IF YOU WOULD READ THOSE STANDARDS AGAIN SO I CAN COMPARE THEM TO WHAT WAS IN THE CONTRACT WITH THE VOTERS.

ARE THERE ANY DIVERGENCES FROM THE BETTER BUILDERS STANDARDS OR LIKE PROGRAM AND THE OTHER ELEMENTS THAT WERE PART OF THAT CONTRACT WITH VOTERS? ARE THERE ANY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THAT BODY OF PROVISIONS AND THE CONTRACTS THAT ARE GOING FORWARD TO THE CAP METRO BOARD IN OCTOBER? I DON'T HAVE THE METRO RAPID CONTRACTS IN FRONT OF ME, BUT I DON'T BELIEVE SO.

I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THEY DIVERGE.

THE IDEA IS THAT THAT IS THAT METRO RAPID AND OUR LIGHT RAIL INVESTMENTS AND OTHERS WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH THE CONTRACT WITH THE BOAT.

OKAY.

THAT WAS THE SUBSTANCE OF THE QUESTION.

SO IF THERE, IF CAN YOU CIRCLE BACK AROUND IF THERE ARE ANY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE PROVISIONS THAT ARE IN THAT CONTRACT AND THE PROVISIONS THAT WE EXPECT FOR THE FUTURE LIGHT RAIL CONTRACTS, IF YOU LET US KNOW, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

I THOUGHT AS WELL, SAM, THAT IN YOUR PRESENTATION AS TO WHAT CAP METRO WAS DOING, THERE WAS SOME CONTENT IN THIS PRESENTATION SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO HOW CAP METRO WAS DEALING WITH THAT.

YEAH.

SLIDE 22 COUNCIL MEMBER WOULD ADDRESS.



SO WE WILL DO A DOUBLE CHECK, BUT I BELIEVE, UH, ALL OF THE, IF YOU WILL CONDITIONS AND INTENT ON THAT PROGRAM WHILE NOT THE TITLE ITSELF ARE ALL COVERED IN CAP METRO CONTRACTS RELATED TO PROJECT CONNECT, BUT WE WILL DO A DOUBLE CHECK AND I THINK 22, DOES THAT LIST THAT OUT? AND I THINK THERE'S ONE ADDITIONAL SAFETY MONITORING THAT IS ABOVE ACTUALLY WHAT'S IN RELATION TO HOW WE WOULD, WE WOULD DO THAT, RANDY, I'M SORRY.

I LOST THE LAST PART OF YOUR SAID THERE'S AN ADDITIONAL SOMETHING.

SOMETHING I BELIEVE WE ACTUALLY HAVE ONE ADDITIONAL LAYER OF SAFETY, A TRAINING REQUIREMENT, EVEN ABOVE WHAT'S IN THE BETTER BUILDER PROGRAM.

AND THEN OBVIOUSLY BEING A GOVERNMENT REGULATORY AGENCY, WE WILL BE DOING A VERY, VERY DEEP DIVE ON SAFETY CERTIFICATION.

THAT'S

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A MUCH BIGGER THAN THE WHATEVER BEING ENVISIONED IN A BETTER BUILDER AS WELL.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER COUNCIL MEMBER ELLIS.

THANK YOU CHAIR.

I WANTED TO AT LEAST FLAG WHILE WE WERE ALL HERE TOGETHER.

UM, IN THIS RESOLUTION, IT TALKS ABOUT, UM, THE CITY MANAGER IDENTIFYING IMPEDIMENTS TO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF PROJECT CONNECT.

UM, I'M WONDERING IF WE NEED TO ADD A WORD SIMILAR TO, UM, IMPLEMENTATION OR OPERATION.

AND MY THINKING IS WE'VE HAD A FEW CONVERSATIONS, YOU KNOW, OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS OR MONTHS ABOUT PLANNING RESPONSIBILITIES.

UM, THERE SEEMS TO BE A SENTIMENT THAT IT'S NOT NECESSARILY NECESSARY TO HAVE IN THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT, BUT I DO THINK GIVEN THAT CAP, METRO HAS RECEIVED THE EQUITY TOD GRANTS, UM, THAT WE IDENTIFY, HOW ARE WE GOING TO, UM, TAKE THE NEXT STEPS ON THAT? WHAT IS THE EXPECTATION ONCE THOSE GRANTS AND THOSE REPORTS ARE FINALIZED? UM, SO THIS VERY MUCH COMES FROM A SPIRIT OF WANTING TO SUPPORT, UH, KAT METRO'S ABILITY TO RECEIVE FEDERAL GRANT MATCHING DOLLARS.

OBVIOUSLY, UM, THINGS LIKE PLANNING AND ZONING HAVE A LOT MORE TO DO WITH THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL AND OUR RESPONSIBILITIES.

BUT I DO THINK SOMEWHERE, IT WOULD BE VERY IMPORTANT FOR US WHILE WE'RE ALL TOGETHER TO IDENTIFY THOSE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES, TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE, WE ARE DOING THAT.

UM, I THINK THAT ADDING THE WORD IMPLEMENTATION INTO SECTION ONE A OF THE RESOLUTION IN THE FIRST VIET RESOLVED COULD BE VERY HELPFUL FOR THAT.

I KNOW THERE'S CURRENTLY SOME CONVERSATION ABOUT THE METRO RAPIDS AND WHICH ONES ARE SCORING HIGH FOR FEDERAL GRANT MATCHING AND WHICH ONES AREN'T.

AND I THINK THIS IS A REALLY KEY INDICATOR OF, UM, ONE WAY THAT THE CITY COUNCIL COULD BE HELPFUL IN THE SUCCESS OF PROJECT CONNECT.

UM, SO I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S A RESPONSE TO THAT.

UM, OR IF IT'S JUST SOMETHING I NEED TO FLAG FOR US TO BE THINKING ABOUT OVER THE NEXT MONTH.

UM, BUT I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO ASK ABOUT PERIODIC UPDATES AND REPORTS.

I THINK, UM, IF I HEARD CORRECTLY, COUNCIL MEMBER KITCHEN WAS ALSO INTERESTED IN UNDERSTANDING, YOU KNOW, HOW ARE WE GOING TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL, ALL PARTIES ARE APPRISED OF, OF CERTAIN DECISION POINTS OR CERTAIN GOALS BEING ACHIEVED.

SO I'M NOT SURE IF THOSE WERE QUESTIONS THAT NEED ANSWERS, BUT IF YOU'D LIKE TO SPEAK TO THEM, I THINK THEY'RE IMPORTANT TO TALK ABOUT TODAY.

I WILL SAY THAT OTHER THAN THE ANNUAL REPORT OUT TO THE THREE BODIES, WHICH IS WHAT WE'LL DO IN OCTOBER 29TH, ALONG WITH THE ACTION ITEMS, I THINK THERE ARE PROBABLY A VARIETY OF WAYS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE BEING AS TRANSPARENT AS POSSIBLE AND COORDINATING BETWEEN THE THREE BODIES THAT ARE HERE TODAY.

BUT I THINK THE MAYOR ALSO HAD A GOOD NOTE OF HOW DO WE BETTER COORDINATE BETWEEN THE CDC AND THE TAC SO THAT EVERYBODY NOT ONLY FEELS LIKE THEY'RE IN THE LOOP AND UNDERSTANDS THAT WE ARE BEING AS TRANSPARENT AS WE POSSIBLY CAN, BUT ALSO FEELS THAT SENSE OF OWNERSHIP OVER THE ITEMS THAT GO TO THESE BODIES TO BE APPROVED.

SO I THINK THAT WE CAN TAKE THIS BACK AT THE STAFF LEVEL AND FIND PROCESSES THAT MAKE EVERYBODY FEEL COMFORTABLE.

THANK YOU.

I APPRECIATE THAT.

AND I KNOW AT, AT THE CITY COUNCIL AND IN THE MOBILITY COMMITTEE THAT I CHAIR, UM, MAYOR PRO TEM HARPER, MADISON HAD AN ITEM THAT HELPED THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE PROJECT CONNECT TEAM.

SO I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO BE DELINEATING AT THIS POINT IN TIME.

ABSOLUTELY.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU.

AND COUNCIL MEMBER ON THE RESOLUTION, WE WILL DEFINITELY LOOK AT THAT LANGUAGE AND CONSIDER ADDING THE WORD IMPLEMENTATION OR SOME OTHER LANGUAGE TO GET IT.

UM, WHAT YOUR, WHAT YOUR, UM, REFERRING THANK YOU.

YES.

AND I THINK THAT SPEAKS ALSO TO, YOU KNOW, IT'S NOT, IT GOES BEYOND DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION TO, TO ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE PROJECT.

SO WE CERTAINLY WANT TO KNOW, UM, AS MUCH INFORMATION THAT THE CITY MANAGER CAN IDENTIFY FOR US AS POSSIBLE.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER, A MEMBER STRATTON, AND I'VE PULLED UP.

THANK YOU, MR. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

UM, I WAS JUST CURIOUS CAN, UH, UH, IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY, UM, RELATED TO ANTI-DISPLACEMENT FUNDS, HOW MUCH, UH, CURRENTLY DOES, UM, THE AT T DID WE PUT IN THE ATP BUDGET WHEN WE FRONT-LOADED IT, WHAT IS CURRENTLY SET ASIDE BY ATP FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN IN TERMS OF ANTI-DISPLACEMENT FUNDS? IS IT 46 MILLION RIGHT NOW? OR IS IT NOW UP TO 46 PLUS 23? WHAT DOES THAT 16 LINE WITH? WHAT IS THE, DOES SOMEBODY FROM THE ATP TEAM HAVE THAT NUMBER BY CHANCE? DO YOU HAPPEN TO HAVE THAT NUMBER? SO I REMEMBER MY RECORD BE OFF BY A MILLION GIVE OR TAKE, UH, I BELIEVE FISCAL LAST FISCAL YEAR THAT JUST CLOSED WAS 23 MILLION AND I BELIEVE IT'S 42 FOR THE NEXT FISCAL.

I COULD BE OFF BY ONE OR 2 MILLION THERE, BUT I'M 23 AND I THINK IT'S 40, 42.

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OKAY.

SO, SO GRAND TOTAL BETWEEN LAST YEAR, AND THEN NOW THIS YEAR, THE GRAND TOTAL OF THAT, THAT, THAT POT OF MONEY IS NOW SITTING AT 42 MILLION THAT ATP HAS ALLOCATED ARE READY AND AVAILABLE.

NO, IT'D BE 60, AT LEAST 65.

OKAY.

SO 65 MILLION, DO WE HAPPEN TO HAVE YET, UM, ANY REPORTING INFORMATION AS TO WHAT OF THAT FUNDS CAUSE IT, THAT THE CITY HAS ACTUALLY SPENT? BECAUSE MY UNDERSTANDING IS UNDER THE ILA, WE ALLOCATE THAT AS THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND PUT THAT IN THE BUDGET AND UNDER THE INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT THAT HAS BEEN APPROVED, THE CITY JUST GOES OUT AND BASICALLY INVOICES US, AND WE WRITE THEM A CHECK PRETTY MUCH.

THE SECOND PART IS CORRECT.

SO WE HAVE THE FUNDING IN THE BUDGET.

THE IDEA IS THEY WOULD EXECUTE RELATED THAT, UH, ITEM, AND THEN THEY WOULD SEND THE INVOICE BACK TO ATP ATP WOULD, WOULD JUST AUDIT IT TO MAKE SURE IT MEETS CONDITIONS, UH, THAT WERE ALREADY SIGNED IN THE ILA AND THEN FOR THE MONEY BACK TO THE CITY.

SO, UM, MY UNDERSTANDING IS WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE OF THOSE REQUESTS YET, BUT WE CAN FOLLOW UP AND I'LL FOLLOW UP WITH THE TEAM AND GET YOU MORE INFORMATION.

IS THERE SOMEBODY HERE FROM THE CITY WHO CAN ATTEST TO HOW MUCH MONEY HAS BEEN SPENT YET RELATED TO ANTI-DISPLACEMENT FUNDS AT THIS TIME? I THINK, UM, WHAT MR. CLARK SAID IS CORRECT.

I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THEY HAVE INVOICED FOR ANY OF THE FUNDS.

OKAY.

OKAY.

SO WE, WHAT I HEAR THERE IS THAT WE'VE GOT \$65 MILLION SITTING IN A POT RIGHT NOW AVAILABLE FOR USE THAT IT IS ON THE CITY'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ACTUALLY GO OUT AND SPEND, BUT ATPS READY TO REIMBURSE AT ANY POINT IN TIME WHEN THE CITY IS READY TO ACTUALLY SPEND IT AT THIS POINT.

OKAY.

ALL RIGHT.

INTERESTING.

CAN I JUST, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT I HAD THAT CLEAR BASED ON HOW I BOUGHT THAT, THAT THE FUNDS WERE ALREADY SET UP TO, TO WORK IN THAT THAT MAKES IT MAKES A LOT MORE SENSE TO ME.

OKAY.

THANKS FOR THE CLARIFICATION COUNCIL MEMBER POOL.

THANKS.

AND THEN THE FOLLOW ON, UH, WHAT, UH, BOARD MEMBERS STRATTON WAS JUST SAYING, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL AS WE KIND OF GET OUR CADENCE DOWN FOR REPORTING AND KNOWING WHAT TO EXPECT AT WHAT TIMES A YEAR, UM, TO HAVE A SENSE OF HOW, UM, MONIES ARE NOT ONLY FLOWING IN, BUT FLOWING OUT.

AND TO THAT END, I'M LOOKING AT PAGE 15 OF 25.

IT'S THAT 4.4 0.1 AGAIN, THAT SECTION, THIS IS THE FINANCIAL MODELING AND PLANNING IN THAT SECOND PARAGRAPH.

THE SECOND SENTENCE SAYS THAT ATP SHALL PRESENT ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDED ACTIONS AT THE JOINT ANNUAL MEETING, BUT MAY ALSO REQUEST A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE PARTIES FOR CHANGES TO THE IMPLEMENTATION SEQUENCE PLAN AS NEEDED.

AND, AND THAT'S REALLY GOOD, BUT IT'S ONLY ONE LEG OF THE THREE LEGGED STOOL, UH, SPECIFICALLY, UH, IT SHOULD NOT JUST BE THE PARTNERSHIP THAT CAN REQUEST, UH, THOSE REPORTS CERTAINLY CAPITAL METRO BOARD AND THE CITY COUNCIL.

AND THEN I APPRECIATE THAT.

WE'RE SAYING THAT THEY SHALL PRESENT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDED ACTIONS, AT LEAST AT THE JOINT ANNUAL MEETING, BUT IT, AGAIN, ESPECIALLY IN THE EARLY YEARS, IT NEEDS TO BE MORE FREQUENT THAN THAT.

AND SO I WOULD RECOMMEND, AND SO I WILL LEAVE THAT FOR YOU ALL TO THINK ABOUT, IS IT, UH, YOU KNOW, SIX MONTHS IN, IN OUR FIRST YEAR, IS IT, UH, EVERY THREE MONTHS, I THINK AT LEAST TWICE A YEAR SO THAT WE CAN AT LEAST GET A SENSE OF WHERE WE'RE GOING AGAIN TO ESTABLISH THESE PROTOCOLS AND TO GET THE INFORMATION OUT THERE IN PARTICULAR IN THE EARLY YEARS WHEN WE REALLY WANT EVERYTHING TO BE GONE.

ABSOLUTELY THE DIRECTION.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER, OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS, REMEMBER ALTAR COUNCIL MEMBER ALTAR.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU.

I'M NOT SURE HOW YOU GUYS SEE ARE SEEING IN THERE.

A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS ABOUT, UM, THE GPA.

UM, SO ON PAGE NINE, UNDER THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT GUIDING PRINCIPLES, IT SAYS PRIOR TO ANY PUBLIC MEETING OUTREACH OR ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITY, THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE TO INDIVIDUALS, BUSINESSES, ORGANIZATIONS THAT WILL BE IMPACTED BY THE PROJECT.

UM, OBVIOUSLY THAT SHOULD BE A PRIORITY.

UM, BUT UNDER 3.2 0.2 FOR PRIORITY POPULATIONS, WHICH ARE DEFINED TO BE THE COMMUNITY'S MOST LIKELY TO BE IMPACTED BY PROJECT CONNECT.

UM, WE DON'T DEFINE THE GROUP OF PEOPLE KNEW THAT OWN BUSINESSES OR PROPERTY, UM, ALONG THE ROUTES WHO ARE MOST LIKELY TO BE IMPACTED AS A PRIORITY POPULATION FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

SO I'D LIKE TO SEE SOME VERSION OF THAT ADDED UNDER A 3.2 0.2, IF THAT IS THE DEFINITION OF PRIORITY POPULATION, DOES THAT MAKE SENSE? IT'S SOMETHING WE CAN DO

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WITH THIS COUNCIL MEMBER.

THANK YOU.

OKAY.

AND THEN, UM, HANG ON ONE SECOND, I'VE GOT A COUPLE OF OTHER QUESTIONS.

UM, THERE'S A DISPUTE RESOLUTION MECHANISM THAT'S IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 3.1.

I BELIEVE IT IS, UM, THAT THE CITY MANAGER AND FOLKS ARE DOING, BUT IT DOESN'T SEEM TO COME BACK TO THE TRIPARTITE GROUP.

UM, AND I'M NOT ASKING FOR US TO BE INVOLVED IN RESOLVING THE DISPUTE, BUT IT SEEMS LIKE THE THREE PARTIES OUGHT TO BE WEIGHING IN ON WHAT THAT DISPUTE RESOLUTION SYSTEM IS.

SO CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT THE PLAN IS FOR THAT? YOU GOT TO REMEMBER? YOU SAID THAT THIS WAS IN 3.1 JOINT.

UM, I THINK I MIGHT'VE WRITTEN DOWN THE WRONG LOCATION.

LET ME SEE IF I CAN, I WROTE DOWN 3.1, BUT THAT MAY NOT BE, UM, UH, WE LEANNE AND I SEE THE SECTION THAT YOU'RE REFERRING TO IT'S WITHIN THE SECOND BULLET OF 3.1.

YEAH.

YEAH.

OKAY.

I THINK I CAN TALK TO THAT COUNCIL MEMBER.

I, I THINK, UM, I ACTUALLY, WE WERE GETTING OUT ON THE SECOND BULLET.

I WOULD, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT IS NORMALLY LARGE PUBLIC WORKS CAN, UH, CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, UH, THAT INVOLVE MULTIPLE PARTIES HAVE, AGAIN, WE'RE USING THE WORD DISPUTE RE UH, RESOLUTION PROCESS, BUT THE REALITY IS IT'S REALLY THE TECHNICAL TEAMS TRYING TO WORK THROUGH TOPICS.

SO THIS COULD BE EVERYTHING FROM A WATER LINE IS 12 INCHES AND WE GOT TO INTO 18 AND HAD A, HAD A SEQUENCE THAT SO MO SO BASICALLY THAT, THAT PROCESS USUALLY WORKS TOWARDS FIELD STAFF HANDLING UP TO A CERTAIN KIND OF VOLUME, WHETHER IT'S, UH, IMPACT OR DOLLAR VALUE, LIKE A RESIDENT ENGINEER AND FIELD INSPECTORS, OPERA TO A DESIGN DIRECTORS TO OTHER PIECES ULTIMATELY THEN IN THIS ONE UP TO LIKE SAY THE CITY MANAGER AND ME TRYING TO RESOLVE SOMETHING.

SO IT'S REALLY, UH, THE IDEA THAT STAFF TRYING TO CONSTANTLY FIGURE OUT THE TECHNICAL CONFLICTS THAT MAY EXIST INSIDE OF A PROJECT AT THE TIME.

SO IF YOU OPEN UP A STREET AND YOU'RE OUT THERE, THE IDEA IS WE GOT TO GET THAT STREET FILLED BACK IN AS QUICK AS POSSIBLE.

SO HOW IS IT THAT THINGS THAT WE'RE GOING TO, WE'RE GOING TO OPEN UP A STREET AND THERE'S GOING TO BE SOMETHING THERE THAT WE DON'T KNOW IT'S INEVITABLE.

SO HOW, HOW DO YOU HAVE A STANDARDIZED PROCESS THAT, THAT IS DOCUMENTED AND MEMORIALIZED? SO WE CAN RESOLVE THOSE KIND OF THINGS THAT POP UP INSIDE A PROJECT.

SO IT'S NOT SO MUCH POLICY DRIVEN.

IT'S TECHNICAL FIELD STUFF IS REALLY THAT THE GENESIS OF THAT TOPIC, WE COULD PROBABLY WORK ON THE LANGUAGE OF THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL AROUND THAT.

I THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL.

I MEAN, WHAT YOU'RE SAYING MAKES SENSE, BUT I ALSO DON'T WANT TO BE GRANTING POWERS ON POLICY INADVERTENTLY.

SO IF WE COULD PROVIDE THAT CLARIFICATION, I THINK THAT WOULD BE, THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.

UM, ANOTHER QUESTION I HAVE IS WILL PROJECT CONNECT BE PAYING, UM, PERMITTING AND REVIEW FEES? OR HOW ARE WE HANDLING THAT? IT LOOKS LIKE I'LL BE ANSWERING THIS ONE, I GUESS.

UH, I THINK A COUNCIL MEMBER THAT IS A TOPIC, UH, GINA AND MYSELF OF OTHERS HAVE TALKED ABOUT.

I THINK THE IDEA IS TO BRING FOR NEXT SPRING, WHEN WE BRING A LARGER KIND OF UTILITIES, RIGHT AWAY AGREEMENT BETWEEN A COUPLE OF THE BODIES, THAT ONE MIGHT BE THAT MIGHT BE BIPAR, UH, UH, BILATERAL BETWEEN ATP AND THE CITY VERSUS CAP METRO, DEPENDING ON HOW THAT COMES TOGETHER.

I THINK A LOT OF WHAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON IS THE IDEA THAT A KNEE NIQUE HAS DONE A GREAT JOB.

AND SHE, A LOT OF THE PHILOSOPHY HAS BEEN THAT ATP WANTS TO PROACTIVELY PAY FOR CITY STAFF VERSUS THE TRADITIONAL WAY THE CITY OPERATES RELATING TO PERMITS.

SO RIGHT NOW YOU PULL A PERMIT, YOU PAY FOR THAT STAFF, CAUSE IT'S ALMOST LIKE A, I GUESS YOU WOULD ALL REFER TO THIS AT AN ENTERPRISE UNIT, I THINK IS THE TERM YOU USE.

WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO INSTEAD IS SAY, HERE'S THE, IF YOU WILL PROBLEM STATEMENTS, HERE'S THE SCOPE OF WORK WE'RE GOING TO NEED OVER PERIODS OF YEARS, WE WOULD RATHER FRONT END THOSE COSTS.

SO, UH, NICK HAS AND WHOEVER THE, HOWEVER, THE CITY WORKS THIS OUT HAS THE STAFFING AVAILABLE.

SO AGAIN, W W WHATEVER WE DO IS, IS SUPER TIME SENSITIVE.

SO EVERY DAY THAT GOES BY WHEN WE ARE IN CONSTRUCTION WILL BE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

AND SO EVERY DAY THAT WE REDUCE CONSTRUCTION, WE ARE SAVING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO PUT INTO THE TRANSIT SYSTEM AND MORE PEOPLE RIDING IT QUICKER.

SO WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO IS WORK WITH THE CITY STAFF TO SAY, HOW WOULD YOU RATHER EXECUTE THIS FROM A STAFFING LEVEL VERSUS A PERMIT FEE LEVEL? UM, YOU KNOW, SO IF YOU HAVE THE TWO OPTIONS OF PAYING, I THINK WE, WE THINK THAT WAY IS PROBABLY A LITTLE MORE CLEANER

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AND ALLOWS C STAFF TO BE DEDICATED, UH, ORGANIZED JUST ON THIS PROGRAM.

SO, UM, I THINK IT'S PREMATURE TO PROBABLY SAY EXACTLY RELATED TO FEES YET, BUT THAT WE'RE WORKING, UH, AS A TEAM TO ADDRESS THAT TOPIC AND HOW THOSE OFFSETS WOULD PROBABLY COME TOGETHER NEXT SPRING.

I DON'T KNOW OF A NICO, GINA, IF YOU HAVE ANY MORE THOUGHTS ON THAT, BUT YEAH, THANK YOU, RANDY.

THAT WAS, THAT WAS GOOD.

AND I'LL JUST ADD ONTO IT THAT AS PART OF THE SCAN WE'LL BE DOING, UM, BETWEEN NOW AND APRIL WILL BE RELATED TO PERMITTING AND FEES AS WELL, NOT JUST THE REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT, AND RANDY'S ABSOLUTELY CORRECT.

THE MORE WE CAN HAVE THE COST CENTER, UM, THAT ATP PAYS FOR AT THE CITY BE WITHIN THE PROJECT CONNECT OFFICE, UM, AND HAVE REVIEW STAFF THERE THAT ARE, UM, WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH THE UTILITIES AND PARKS DEPARTMENT AND THE, AND THE DIFFERENT, UM, SO TO SPEAK AND TO GET EVERYTHING READY.

OF COURSE, DSD ALWAYS ISSUES THE PERMITS, AND THERE'S, THERE MIGHT BE, UH, SOME MINIMAL FEES THAT WILL NEED TO BE PAID BY ATP TO DSD, TO, FOR THEM TO DO THEIR PART.

BUT FOR THE MOST PART, UM, THERE'S STILL A LOT TO BE WORKED OUT, BUT WE HOPE TO HAVE MOST OF THE COSTS COVERED BY THE FTES THAT ARE IN, UM, THE PROJECT CONNECT OFFICE.

SO I THINK I SAID THE SAME THING RANDY DID THAT.

WE'RE JUST NOT SURE EXACTLY HOW THE BREAKDOWN WILL BE.

I THINK THERE WILL BE SOME FEES THAT WE CAN'T GET AWAY FROM, UM, AND WE'LL WORK THOSE OUT, BUT THE MOST OF THE COST CENTER WILL BE WITH THE FTES.

SO THAT'S ALL I HAD TO ADD.

SO IF WE COULD GET SOMETHING IN WRITING, IF IT'S NOT GOING TO BE DETERMINED IN THE GPA, CAUSE IT'S NOT READY SO THAT WE UNDERSTAND WHERE THAT'S GOING TO BE RESOLVED, IF IT'S, YOU KNOW, IN OUR LOCAL OR, OR WHAT, UM, I THINK THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR US ALONG THE WAY.

UM, AND THEN THE LAST QUESTION THAT I WANTED TO ASK WAS, UM, IT SAYS ON PAGE 17 AT THE VERY TOP IN THE KIND OF HALF BULLET AT THE TOP, UM, YOU KNOW, BASICALLY IT COMMITS, YOU KNOW, THE CITY TO DOING THINGS, UM, COGNIZANT OF OTHER CITY POLICIES.



UM, BUT THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANYWHERE IN HERE WHERE IT SAYS THE ATP HAS TO HERITAGE CITY POLICIES LIKE THE COUNCIL DOES.

UM, AM I MISSING SOMETHING OR IS THAT SOMETHING THAT WE CAN MAKE CLEARER AS ONE OF ATP'S ROLES, COUNCIL MEMBERS, I'M SEEING THE SECTION THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, IT'S THE UNDER THE CITY MANAGER, A BULLET THAT SAYS, UM, AND MAKING SURE THAT PROJECT TACT IS DESIGNING CONSTRUCTED AND DE IN A MANNER THAT IS COGNIZANT OF OTHER CITY POLICIES, OR ARE YOU ASKING IF, IF THERE IS LANGUAGE ABOUT, ABOUT ATP'S ROLE IN BEING COGNIZANT OF OTHER CITY POLICIES? YES.

YES.

I THINK WE CAN, WE CAN LOOK AT THAT AND SEE WHERE WE, WHERE THAT MIGHT BE IN THE DOCUMENT.

UM, I CAN'T POINT TO IT AT THIS VERY MOMENT.

THAT'D BE GREAT.

IF YOU COULD GET BACK TO ME, I APPRECIATE IT.

THANK YOU.

4.4 0.3, COUNCIL MEMBER, SORRY, BECKY CHAIR.

UH, I JUST HAD TWO QUICK COMMENTS TO ADD ONE ON THE LABOR QUESTION RAISED BY COUNCIL MEMBER TOBO AND ONE ON THE ENERGY DISPLACEMENT FUNDING, AS IT RELATES TO THE NG DISPLACEMENT, UH, FUNDING.

I APPRECIATE BOTH, UM, A BOARD MEMBER STRATTON AND THE COUNCIL MEMBER KITCHEN AND OTHERS TALKING ABOUT THE URGENCY THERE.

UM, I, I PINGED OUR STAFF, UH, AFTER THE QUESTION WAS RAISED AND JUST IN CASE IT HASN'T BEEN MENTIONED DURING THE MEETING, UH, THE COUNCIL OVERWHELMINGLY ADOPTED A RESOLUTION TO PUT ABOUT \$30 MILLION OF THAT TO WORK IN THIS FISCAL YEAR.

AND I KNOW THAT THERE'S EVEN MORE AVAILABLE NOW, AND MY HOPE IS THAT ALL THAT GETS PUT TO WORK.

UM, BUT THE LATEST FROM THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT IS THAT, UM, THAT A BUNCH OF THAT WILL GET PUT OUT TO BID, UH, THIS MONTH.

SO, SO HOPEFULLY WE WILL SEE THAT, THAT, UH, THAT FUNDING GETTING USED, BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT EVERY SINGLE DAY WE DON'T PUT IT TO USE, UM, WE'RE GETTING LESS AND LESS OUT OF IT, UH, TO KEEP PEOPLE IN PLACE SO THEY CAN ENJOY THE TRANSIT SYSTEM IN THE CITY.

SO JUST WANT IT TO PROVIDE THAT UPDATE.

UH, AND THEN AS IT RELATES TO, UH, COUNCIL MEMBER TOBO WAS QUESTIONED ABOUT THE METRO RAPID CONSTRUCTION AND THE BETTER BUILDER STANDARDS.

I APPRECIATE COUNCIL MEMBER, YOU RAISING THAT, AND IT MIGHT MAKE SENSE FOR US, YOU AND I, AND ANYBODY ELSE, THAT'S INTERESTED TO TALK OFFLINE WITH ATP TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S CRYSTAL CLEAR THAT WE'RE FOLLOWING THE, WHAT IS THE SPIRIT AND THE LETTER OF THE, OF THE CONTRACT IS THE VOTERS LANGUAGE THERE.

SO WHY DON'T WE, UH, CONTINUE TO PURSUE THAT BETWEEN HERE AND OUR NEXT MEETING? THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER, OTHER QUESTIONS, REMEMBER KITCHEN? UM, I JUST HAVE A COMMENT ON, UM, GOING BACK TO SOMETHING COUNCIL MEMBER ALTER HAD MENTIONED, UH, ABOUT DISPUTE RESOLUTION 8.2 REFERS TO DISPUTE RESOLUTION

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AND MEDIATION.

THAT'S ANOTHER SECTION THAT WE MIGHT WANT TO LOOK AT WITH WHAT, UH, COUNCIL MEMBER ALTER RAISED IN MIND.

UM, AND THEN, UM, ON 4.2 0.3, WHICH RELATES TO THE ANNUAL REPORT THAT I THINK THIS IS REFERENCING THE ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT, I THINK IS WHAT IT WAS CALLED, UH, PERHAPS IN THE ILA.

BUT, UM, THIS TALKS IN TERMS OF A JOINT ANNUAL MEETING, AND IT HAS SOME LANGUAGE AROUND WHAT GOES INTO THE ANNUAL REPORT.

SO, UM, TWO POINTS I WANTED TO MAKE FIRST, YOU KNOW, WE, I REALLY WANT TO, TO REITERATE AGAIN WHAT WE SAID LAST YEAR THAT WORKED SO, SO WELL WITH REGARD TO PROJECT CONNECT OR THE CITY COUNCIL AND CAP METRO MET MANY, MANY TIMES JOINTLY OVER THE TWO YEARS OR SO, UH, RUNNING UP TO THE ELECTION.

AND I AM CONCERNED THAT ONE ANNUAL MEETING BETWEEN THE THREE PARTIES IS, IS DOESN'T KEEP US ALIGNED AND DOESN'T KEEP US, UM, TALKING IN AN INFORMED AS MUCH AS WE SHOULD BE.

SO I WOULD LIKE TO, FOR US TO THINK ABOUT MORE THAN ONE MEETING A YEAR, BECAUSE WHAT HAPPENS IS WE'RE NOT ALL, YOU KNOW, SOME OF US ARE MORE INVOLVED THAN OTHERS, UH, AND, AND IT'S EASY FOR THE REST OF US, NOT TO NOT TO UNDERSTAND OR KNOW EXACTLY WHAT'S GOING ON.

AND SO WE'RE ABOUT TO GET INTO THE, YOU KNOW, THE, SOME OF THE MOST CHALLENGING ASPECT OF PROJECT CONNECT AS WE, AS THIS STARTS TO BE BUILT IN THE COMMUNITY, STARTS TO SEE, UH, IT'S BOTH THE MOST PROMISING AND CHALLENGING ASPECTS OF IT.

AND I THINK WE WOULD BENEFIT IF WE MET MORE THAN ONCE A YEAR.

SO I'D LIKE TO JUST LAY THAT OUT THERE FOR PEOPLE TO THINK ABOUT AND PERHAPS CHANGE THAT 4.2, 4.2 0.3, TO REFLECT THAT.

THE OTHER THING I WANTED TO ASK ABOUT WAS THE LAST PART OF IT SAYS, AND I APPRECIATE THE SPECIFICITY SPECIFICITY ABOUT WHAT GOES INTO THE ANNUAL REPORT.

I THINK THAT'S HELPFUL.

UM, IT DOES TALK ABOUT IMPLEMENTATION OF, AND COMPLIANCE OF ATP WORKFORCE AND EQUITY POLICIES.

SO, UM, I DON'T KNOW WHAT ATPS EQUITY POLICIES ARE.

SO I THINK IT'D BE HELPFUL THAT THAT INFORMATION IS SHARED.

I THINK, UM, UM, I'M HAPPY TO SEE THAT HERE.

AND I THINK IT'S A VERY POSITIVE, IT'S JUST AN EXAMPLE OF SOMETHING THAT, THAT MAYBE I, MAYBE I MISSED IT AND WAS SENT TO US.

I DON'T KNOW, BUT, UM, I THINK IT'D BE SOMETHING THAT'D BE HELPFUL TO, TO SHARE, UM, AND ALSO REFERENCE IN, AGAIN, I HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO REALLY UNDERSTAND EVERY ASPECT OF THIS YET, BUT MAYBE THE EQUITY MAYBE EQUITY POLICIES IS REFERRED TO IN HERE, IF NOT, IT SHOULD BE.

AND THAT'S SOMETHING I THINK SHOULD BE SHARED ACROSS ALL THREE PARTIES.

SO JUST WANTED TO POINT THAT OUT COUNCIL MEMBER, IF YOU LOOK UNDER 4.3, WE THOUGHT THE SAME THAT WE NEEDED TO DEFINE.

WE WANTED TO REFERENCE THOSE BULLETS THAT ARE LISTED UNDER THE COMMITMENTS OF ATP.

SO WE, WITHIN THE DOCUMENT, WE'D FIND THE FOLLOWING WORKFORCE AND EQUITY PAUL EQUITY POLICIES.

AND SO THESE ARE THOSE STATEMENTS THAT ARE COME FROM THE CONTRACT WITH THE VOTERS.

UM, SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE BULLETS ABOUT BUSINESS IMPACT MITIGATION, THE DBE PROGRAM, BETTER BUILDER OR SIMILAR WORKFORCE PROGRAMS. AND, UM, SO THOSE ARE THE THINGS THAT WE WOULD WANT TO INCLUDE IN THAT MANAGEMENT REPORT.

UM, I'LL ALSO JUST MENTION, UM, W THANK YOU TO COUNCIL MEMBER COSARA ABOUT THE ANTI-DISPLACEMENT FUNDS.

THAT'LL BE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY THAT WE'LL HAVE TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THOSE.

UM, AT THE OCTOBER 29TH MEETING, WE'LL BE PROVIDING A BRIEFING ON THE, UM, THE PROGRESS THUS FAR.

SO, SO I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU WERE SAYING.

WHERE ARE THE EQUITY POLICIES IN THIS DOCUMENT? IF YOU LOOK AT THE 4.3, THE SECTION JUST UNDER THE ONE JOINT ANNUAL MEETING, THERE ARE SOME BULLETS.

SO RIGHT ABOVE THE BULLET, IT SAYS ATP COMMITS TO IMPLEMENTING THE FOLLOWING WORKFORCE AND EQUITY POLICIES.

SO DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING A BUSINESS IMPACT MITIGATION STRATEGY, ET CETERA.

I SEE THE WORKFORCE RELATED ONES.

I DON'T SEE THE EQUITY ONES UNLESS YOU'RE USING THE TERM WORKFORCE AND EQUITY TO MEAN JUST THESE FOUR BULLETS.

IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE THINKING? OKAY, THAT'S CORRECT.

AND SO MAYBE WE NEED A BETTER, A BETTER TITLE FOR THESE, UM, FOR THESE POLICIES, BUT WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO NO, NO, NO, I THINK IT'S FINE.

I THINK I'D ADD SOME MORE BULLETS TO STATE WHAT THE EQUITY POLICIES ARE AND THEN SHARE THOSE, BECAUSE I KNOW, I KNOW THAT'S BEEN IMPORTANT TO ATP AND ATP BOARD, SO, UH, AND I THINK, I THINK THIS IS GOOD TO HAVE HERE.

I JUST THINK IT'S PERHAPS SHOULD BE FLESHED OUT A BIT MORE

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OTHER QUESTIONS, REMEMBER POOL BANKS.

UM, I WANT TO GO BACK TO PAGE 13 AND JUST GENERALLY LOOK AT THE GOVERNANCE OF ATP.

UM, IT SEEMS A LITTLE ONE-SIDED, I MEAN, OF COURSE THIS IS TALKING SPECIFICALLY ABOUT THE PARTNERSHIP, BUT THERE IS WHAT I'M MISSING HERE IS A SENSE OF THE INTERPLAY WITH BOTH THE CAP METRO BOARD AND THE COUNCIL, AND THAT'S REALLY, REALLY IMPORTANT.

UM, AND SO I'LL LEAVE THAT TO STAFF, TO, TO THINK IN TERMS ABOUT HOW TO MAKE SURE THAT THE SENSE OF PARTNERSHIP IS THROUGHOUT THE STOCKY CEMENT.

UM, I'LL MOVE ON TO PAGE 14, THE COMMITMENTS OF ATP HERE THAT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT A LITTLE BIT AGO, 4.3, IT STATES THAT THESE THINGS WILL HAPPEN.

UM, CAN YOU TELL ME WHERE YOU HAVE IN HERE THAT THERE ARE THOSE STATUS REPORTS AND THERE ARE PROGRESS REPORTS AND THERE ARE JUST GENERAL UPDATES SO THAT THE COUNCIL AND THE CAP METRO BOARD AND THE CITY AT LARGE CAN KNOW HOW WE ARE DOING WITH OUR BUSINESS IMPACT MITIGATION STRATEGY.

AS AN EXAMPLE, WE'RE MISSING IN HERE, A SENSE OF THE REPORTING BACK.

AND AGAIN, THAT SPEAKS TO THE SPECIFICS OF THE INTERPLAY IN THE PARTNERSHIP.

AND THEN I WOULD JUST ALSO POINT OUT AT THE BOTTOM OF THAT PAGE 4.4, WHERE IT TALKS ABOUT RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTNERSHIP.

IT MENTIONS THE PARTNERSHIP TO IMPLEMENT PROJECT CONNECT.

IT SAYS THAT THE PARTNERSHIP WILL WORK, SHALL WORK WITH CAP METRO.

AND THEN THE ONLY MENTION OF THE CITY IN HERE IS THAT THE CITY SENDING MONEY INTO THE SYSTEM.

AND WHILE THAT IS TRUE, AS WE KNOW, IF NOT FOR THE BOND THAT WE PASSED LAST FALL, THE FUNDING FOR PROJECT CONNECT WOULD NOT BE AS ROBUST.

THAT IS WHY WHEN I WRITE MY NOTE HERE, WHERE IS THE COUNCIL UNDER THE 4.4? I, I, I THINK WE WERE MISSING AGAIN, THE, ONE OF THE LEGS OF THE THREE LEGGED STOOL.

THE COUNCIL ALSO BEARS OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE POSITIVE, SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECT CONNECT.

AND THAT'S THE PIECE THAT I REALLY WANT TO MAKE SURE IS FULLY EXPLICATED THROUGHOUT ALL OF THE ELEMENTS IN THE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT NUMBER STRATTON, MY ALLOWED TO MAKE COMMENTS INSTEAD OF ASKING QUESTIONS.

OKAY.

I HAVE TO SAY THAT I AM, I CAN KIND OF UNDERSTAND WHERE SOME OF THESE COMMENTS ARE COMING FROM, BUT AS A MEMBER OF BOTH THE CAPITAL METRO BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND AS A MEMBER OF THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP AM A BIT CONCERNED BECAUSE I'M HEARING ALL OF THESE COMMENTS COMING FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL.

I'M NOT HEARING MUCH COMING OUT OF.

I HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING COME OUT OF MY COLLEAGUES ON THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP.

AND I'VE HEARD JUST, YOU KNOW, ONE COMMENT COME FROM A NON CITY COUNCIL MEMBER THAT IS A MEMBER OF THE CAP METRO BOARD.

UM, I WILL JUST SAY THAT AS A MEMBER OF THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP BOARD, UM, I'M SENSING SOME MISTRUST HERE AND I DON'T THINK IT'S INTENTIONAL, BUT IT DOES FEEL THAT WAY BECAUSE I JUST GET THIS FEELING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FUNDAMENTALLY DOESN'T TRUST THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THIS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION THAT WAS CREATED THIS PARTNERSHIP THAT WAS CREATED BETWEEN CAP METRO AND THE CITY TO EFFECTUATE THE LARGEST DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY'S HISTORY, THE LARGEST ENVIRONMENTAL AND EQUITY DEVELOPMENT IN THE HISTORY.

ACTUALLY, ONE OF THE BIGGEST IN THE HISTORY OF THE COUNTRY OF YOU, BILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT CREATED THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP THAT YES, MONEY WOULD BE PAID FOR BY THE TAXPAYERS.

AND IT'S 60% PLUS OF TAXPAYERS OF THE VOTERS SAID, YES, WE WANT TO DO THIS.

WE ALL TALKED ABOUT THESE THINGS AS A JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND CAP METRO

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BOARD A YEAR OVER A YEAR AGO, SAYING, YES, WE WANT TO DO THIS.

THESE DECISIONS WERE POLICY DECISIONS THAT WERE LARGELY ALREADY MADE AND I CAN'T HELP, BUT SIT HERE NOW AS AN ATP BOARD MEMBER, THINKING ABOUT IT, LOOKING AT IT, FEELING LIKE HAVE WE CHANGED OUR MINDS SOMEHOW THAT WE NOW DON'T TRUST THIS BOARD OF DIRECTORS THAT WE PUT A LOT OF TIME, ENERGY AND EFFORT INTO FIGURING OUT WHERE THEY WERE GOING TO COME FROM AND WHO WAS GOING TO REPRESENT.

CITY HAS A MEMBER ON THE BOARD CAP.

METRO HAS A MEMBER ON THE BOARD.

I JUST, I REALIZED THAT THERE ARE SOME THINGS THAT WE NEED TO WORK OUT.

THERE'S SOME DETAILS.

THERE'S SOME LANGUAGE THAT COULD BE IMPROVED A LITTLE BIT, BUT I, I DON'T WANT THE PERFECT TO BECOME THE ENEMY OF THE GOOD HERE.

AND THIS IS A MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR INVESTMENT, THE GREATEST INVESTMENT THIS CITY HAS EVER MADE.

AND I'VE SPENT MOST OF MY LIFE LIVING IN THIS CITY IN TRANSIT AND AN EQUITY IN ANTI-DISPLACEMENT.

IT IS THE LARGEST SINGLE INVESTMENT IN ANTI-DISPLACEMENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE COUNTRY, LARGER THAN ANYTHING ELSE OUT THERE.

\$300 MILLION.

THE CLOSEST ONE I BELIEVE WAS IN DENVER AND IT WAS IN THE DOUBLE DIGITS.

AND I JUST, I DON'T WANT TO SEE THIS THING GET PICKED AT AND NITPICKED AT, AT THE EDGES WHEN LARGELY I THOUGHT WE WERE ALL READY TO MOVE THIS THING FORWARD AND GET THIS DONE.

SO I GUESS MY REQUEST IS A MEMBER OF THE ATP BOARD IS CAN WE MOVE THIS FORWARD AND LOOK AT THE BIG PICTURE AND BUILD WHAT THE VOTERS SAID LET'S DO? AND LET'S, LET'S GET THE TRAINS, KEEP THE TRAINS RUNNING ON TIME, BECAUSE ANY LITTLE NITPICKING, ANY LITTLE DELAYS ARE GOING TO STOP THAT INVESTMENT AND THAT BIG PICTURE FROM HAPPENING AND MISS WHAT HAS BEEN A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY INVEST IN THE TRUE FUTURE OF THE COMMUNITY AND DO IT IN A WAY THAT WE ALL AGREED TO, WHICH WAS FUNDING FROM THE CITY FUNDING FROM CAP METRO, WITH MATCHING FUNDS, FROM THE FEDS INTO THIS INDEPENDENT BODY.

IT'S THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP BOARD OF DIRECTORS SELECTED MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND CAP METRO TOGETHER IN UNISON AND AGREEMENT.

AND THEN LETTING THEM LARGELY TAKE THE ROLE IN IMPLEMENTING THIS WITH CERTAIN AGREEMENTS.

YES.

BUT PICKING UP THE BALL AND RUNNING WITH IT, TO DO THE CONTRACTING, THE IMPLEMENTATION AND THE FINANCING AND RUNNING AND GOING.

THAT'S WHAT I'D LIKE TO SEE AND WOULD HOPE.

THAT'S WHAT I WAS HOPEFUL COMING INTO THIS MEETING THAT I'D SEE HAPPEN IS A LITTLE BIT OF TWEAKS, BUT I JUST, I'M JUST FEELING LIKE THAT.

THERE'S SOMETHING MORE TO THIS AND I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE CAN MOVE PAST THOSE LITTLE THINGS AND GET BACK TO THE BIG PICTURE OF WHAT I HOPE WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE FOR MOVING FORWARD.

SO THAT'S A MEMBER TOVO.

YEAH.

THANK YOU FOR THOSE, UH, COMMENTS.

AND I CERTAINLY HEAR YOUR PERSPECTIVE, YOU KNOW, THE WAY I SEE IT IS WE ARE, WE ARE SETTING UP THE STRUCTURE THAT WILL ALLOW THAT TO HAPPEN.

UM, THIS CERTAINLY IS A CRITICAL PROJECT AND A CRITICAL INVESTMENT FOR THE PUBLIC AND AS A STEWARD OF THE PUBLIC'S TRUST, I SEE THE PROCESS THAT WE'RE ENGAGED IN NOW AS, AS REALLY IMPORTANT.

AND SO I HOPE THAT WE ALL WILL, UM, STEEP OURSELVES IN THE DETAILS BECAUSE IF IT IS, YOU KNOW, THIS IS THE TIME AND THE SPACE FOR REALLY LOOKING AT THOSE AGREEMENTS, ANALYZING THE RELATIONSHIP AND MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE THOSE, THAT REALLY CAREFUL INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE IN TERMS OF GOVERNANCE AND DECISION-MAKING SO THAT IT CAN MOVE FORWARD.

UM, YOU KNOW, JUST HAVING WATCHED THE COUNCIL, BOTH HAVING BEEN A COMMUNITY MEMBER, AND THEN AS A COUNCIL MEMBER, I JUST KNOW, AND CAN PROVIDE EXAMPLES ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER PARTIES THAT WENT REALLY WELL AND RELATIONSHIPS THAT WENT LESS WELL.

AND, AND WHEN THEY WENT LESS, WELL, IT TYPICALLY WAS BECAUSE THE DOCUMENTS THAT GOVERN THOSE RELATIONSHIPS HAD SOME GAPS AND QUESTIONS AND THEM THAT COULD HAVE BEEN ANSWERED UPFRONT.

AND SO, YOU KNOW, I'M, I'M REALLY HOPEFUL THAT WE WILL, THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO WORK THROUGH THESE ISSUES NOW SO THAT, UM, THINGS CAN MOVE FORWARD.

AND IT'S NOT A PERSONAL, IT'S NOT PERSONAL.

UM, THESE ISSUES AREN'T PERSONAL, YOU KNOW, THESE, WE HAVE, UM, THEY CAN'T BE BASED ON TRUST AND FAITH IN INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS BECAUSE WE'RE CREATING SOMETHING

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THAT HAS TO LAST FOR DECADES AND, YOU KNOW, FOR, FOR THE LIFETIME OF THE PROJECT.

SO WE'VE GOT A, WE'VE GOT A SET, A STRUCTURE IN PLACE THAT ALLOWS THE ALLOWS FOR THAT TO CONTINUE, UH, REGARDLESS OF WHICH INDIVIDUALS ARE OCCUPYING THESE SEATS.

BUT I APPRECIATE, YOU KNOW, I CERTAINLY APPRECIATE YOUR COMMITMENT TO SEEING IT FORWARD AND, AND I, FOR ONE SHARE IT AND I EXPECT MY COLLEAGUES DO TOO REMEMBER ELKINS.

UM, THANK YOU, CHAIR.

UM, I WOULD ECHO THE COMMENTS OF LIFE MEMBER OF MY FELLOW BOARD MEMBER THAT ONE OF THE GREATEST THINGS I THINK THE CITY DID AND CAP METRO AND SETTING UP ATP IS SETTING THIS UP AS AN INDEPENDENT ENTITY THAT OPERATES WITH TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY.

UH, THERE'S VERY FEW ENTITIES THAT HAVE BEEN SET UP LIKE THIS TO DELIVER INFRASTRUCTURE.

ONE THAT COMES TO MIND IS CROSS RAIL, CROSS RAIL IN THE UK.

AND IT'S WORKED VERY WELL.

I WOULD WANT TO PUSH BACK ON ANY EFFORTS TO TRY TO TAKE AWAY A LOT OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF ATP AND, AND GETTING A LOT OF POLITICS INTO THAT.

ALL THAT'S GOING TO DO IS GOING TO INCREASE COSTS POTENTIALLY AND, AND DECREASE OUR SCHEDULE AND HURT OUR SCHEDULE.

I THINK THERE'S A BALANCE OF REPORTING THAT WE CAN DO ON THE ATP BOARD TO MAKE SURE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AND CAP METRO HAD THE INFORMATION THAT THEY NEED.

WE HAVE A CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITY IN TERMS OF PERMITTING AND, AND ALL OF THE EMINENT DOMAIN THAT NEEDS TO BE, UH, OCCURRING THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE PROJECT.

BUT, UM, WE NEED TO THINK LONG AND HARD ABOUT TAKING AWAY THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ATP.

SO THIS GETS DELIVERED ON TIME AND ON BUDGET COUNCIL MEMBER, KITCHEN.

UM, I THINK THIS IS A GOOD CONVERSATION TO HAVE, AND I APPRECIATE, UM, UM, MR. STRATTON BOARD MEMBERS THREATENED FOR RAISING THAT.

UH, MY PERSPECTIVE IS THAT, AND WHEN I ASKED MY QUESTIONS, I'M ASKING MY QUESTIONS AS A CAP METRO BOARD MEMBER.

AND I THINK WHAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT HERE IS, UH, THESE ARE LEGAL AGREEMENTS THAT SET THE RELATIONSHIP FOR DECADES INTO THE FUTURE.

AS COUNCIL MEMBER, TOVO SAID, THAT'S NOT A TRUST EXERCISE.

THAT IS AN EXERCISE IN CLARITY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE LANGUAGE THAT WE HAVE, UM, CAPTURES THE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

AND SO WE HAVE TO THINK THROUGH ALL THAT AND MAKE SURE THE LANGUAGE IS SPECIFIC.

I DON'T THINK THAT ANYTHING THAT WAS SUGGESTED BY ANYBODY HERE FROM ANY PERSPECTIVE WAS AN ATTEMPT TO CHANGE THOSE RELATIONSHIPS.

AND I HEAR THE CONCERNS THAT SOME MAY BE RAISING, BUT I DON'T THINK WE'RE, I DON'T THINK THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE.

I THINK WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE IS, IS WORKING FOR CLARITY.



SO, UM, I THINK THAT THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT.

AND SO I THINK THAT WE SHOULD ALL UNDERSTAND THAT EVERYBODY IS AT THE TABLE WITH THE BEST INTEREST OF OUR COMMUNITY AT HEART.

AND THAT TAKES ALL OF US CONTINUING TO WORK TOGETHER FROM OUR RESPECTIVE ROLES AND BECAUSE NO ONE ENTITY IS GOING TO BE SUCCESSFUL.

AND, UM, YOU KNOW, I AGREE AND, AND HAVE NO INTENT TO CHANGE THE AGREEMENT THAT WAS MADE THAT ATP IS OUR IMPLEMENTER AND THAT'S, THAT IS WONDERFUL.

AND THAT'S GREAT.

AND I TRUST THEM TO DO THAT JOB, BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT AS A CAP METRO BOARD MEMBER, OR AS A COUNCIL MEMBER, THAT, THAT, THAT I DON'T HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO HELP MAKE THIS A SUCCESS.

SO, UM, SO ANYWAY, I JUST, I JUST WANTED TO REITERATE, I DON'T WANT US TO FALL BACK INTO THINKING THAT PEOPLE HAVE MOTIVES OR LACK OF TRUST OR THINGS LIKE THAT.

WE'RE JUST ALL SIMPLY WANTING TO MAKE SURE WE GET THE RIGHT CLARITY HERE ON WHAT'S WRITTEN INTO THE DOCUMENTS.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER RENTERIA.

THANK YOU, CHAIR.

YOU KNOW, I CAME INTO THIS MEETING BECAUSE, UH, HOPING TO, AND I GOT THE INFORMATION I NEEDED ABOUT AFFORDABLE HOUSING, THE DISPLACEMENT, YOU KNOW, UH, THERE WAS A LOT OF PROMISES THAT WE MADE THAT WE WERE GONNA, THE COMMITMENT WE MADE TO THE VOTERS.

AND I'M ALWAYS LOOKING AT THAT, YOU KNOW, IT'S WHAT WE CAN DO TO MEET THAT COMMITMENT.

AND WHEN I COME TO THESE MEETINGS, I COME NOT, NOT TO, TO, TO LEARN WHAT'S THE APD, UH, APJ, UH, NEEDED.

AND, UH, YOU KNOW, I, I LOOK AT THESE KINDS OF THINGS THAT, THAT, WHAT CAN I DO TO MAKE THESE

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TYPE OF PROJECTS SUCCESSFUL.

AND THAT'S HOW I ADDRESS ALL OF THESE MEETINGS.

I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR PARTNERS AND LEARN WHAT THEIR NEED IS AND HOW CAN I HELP MY PARTNERS TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS PROJECT IS A SUCCESS.

AND, AND I LOOKED AT THAT OPPORTUNITY TO SEE THAT, YOU KNOW, I LEARNED TODAY THAT WE HAVE \$65 MILLION FOR, FOR DISPLACEMENT, WHICH IS REALLY GREAT, YOU KNOW, I'M JUST ALL

EXCITED NOW THAT I'M GOING TO GO BACK TO OUR HOUSING COMMITTEE AND WORK WITH OUR HOUSING DEPARTMENT TO IDENTIFY PROJECTS THAT WE CAN AFFORD.

I MEAN, THAT WE CAN FUND TO GET, TO MAKE SURE THIS PROJECT IS SUCCESSFUL.

SO I KIND OF FELT THAT THAT FEELING, THAT THERE WAS A LITTLE BIT OF A HOSTILE THAT HOUSE, EXCUSE ME, MY IDEA OF LEXIA IS GETTING TO ME RIGHT NOW, BUT HOSTILITY THAT WAS GOING ON AND IT JUST FELT UNCOMFORTABLE.

AND MY COLLEAGUE HERE, ERIC THREATENED, YOU KNOW, HE, I GUESS HE FELT THAT SAME THING.

AND IF IT IS THAT I WANT TO APOLOGIZE BECAUSE I HAD NO, THERE WAS NO INTENTION ON MY PART, ESPECIALLY BEING A CITY COUNCIL MEMBER AND A TRUSTEE OF METRO, YOU KNOW, TO, UH, TO MAKE ANYONE FEEL THAT WAY.

I FEEL LIKE WE'RE ALL PARTNERS AND, AND WE SHOULD ALL, WE ALL WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE THIS INTO A VERY SUCCESSFUL PROJECT AND TO ALSO HELP OUR PEOPLE AND MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T DISPLACE TRY TO KEEP AS MANY PEOPLE UP OUR CITY FROM BEING DISPLACED.

SO, UH, AND THAT'S HOW I'M GOING TO LOOK AT IT.

AND I'M I'M TO, UH, FOLLOW THAT.

MY ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT WE CAN, WE CAN MAKE THIS INTO A SUCCESS POINT AND KEEP AS MANY PEOPLE, BASICALLY OUR WORKFORCE PEOPLE HERE IN AUSTIN, BECAUSE IF WE DON'T, WE'RE GOING TO BE HURTING IN THE FUTURE.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER, OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS.

I'VE JUST A QUICK ONE.

AS WE THINK ABOUT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, WE HAD A LONG LIST.

I WANT TO SUGGEST THAT WE CONSIDER ADDING SCHOOL DISTRICTS OR EDUCATIONAL PROVIDERS, A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER, SPECIFICALLY, WE HAVE SORT OF A AGGREGATION AT THE VERY, VERY END, BUT I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE BE PROACTIVE WITH THE VARIOUS EDUCATIONAL PROVIDERS IN THE COMMUNITY AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.

AND WE, WE TALK ABOUT GIVING NOTICE TO EMPLOYERS WHO ARE IMPACTED, BUT I THINK AS WELL, MAKING SURE THAT EMPLOYERS WHO ARE NEAR THE LINE AND PROVIDING EMPLOYMENT, UH, ARE REGULARLY IN THE LOOP AS TO WHAT'S GOING ON, AS THEY PROVIDE DESTINATIONS FOR PEOPLE, UH, COME INTO THE PROGRAM AS SPECIFICALLY, I WANT TO BE SURE THAT WE'RE CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE NEEDS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AND ACC AND ST.

EDWARDS.

I MAY BE OMITTING SOME OTHERS, BUT, UH, THE MOVEMENT OF STUDENTS HAS BEEN A HUGE PART OF CAP METRO OVER THE YEARS.

AND I THINK THE PROMISE OF PROJECT CONNECT IS MAKING MORE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE TOP ALL OF OUR STUDENTS.

I JUST WANT TO BE SURE THAT WE'RE CALLING THEM OUT IN TERMS OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT.

SOMETIMES WE NEED TO BE PROACTIVE TO GET THEM IN THE MIDDLE OF THINGS AND HOPE WE'LL DO DO, UH, UH, MORE ON THAT.

LIKE YOU YOU'LL MAKE SURE TO CALL THEM OUT.

REMEMBER KITCHEN? UH, JUST A QUICK QUESTION.

SO JUST AS A PROCESS QUESTION, UM, I KNOW, UH, WE, WE SOMETIMES HAVE AN ABILITY TO LIKE SUBMIT QUESTIONS, UM, AND GET THEM ANSWERED.

I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S THE, UH, ABILITY TO DO THAT THIS TIME.

UH, AND SOMETIMES THAT'LL TAKE CARE OF ANY KIND OF DETAILED QUESTIONS WE HAVE.

SO, UM, SO MAYOR, I, YOU KNOW, I KNOW WE DO THAT WITH THE CITY.

DO YOU, DO YOU THINK THERE'S A MECHANISM TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT OR, AND COUNCIL MEMBER, ARE YOU REFERRING TO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE THREE BODIES HERE TODAY? REMEMBER THE PUBLIC THREE BODIES HERE TODAY? I MEAN, WE CAN USE OUR COUNCIL MESSAGE TO DO THAT, BUT WE ALSO, UH, ARE ABLE TO SUBMIT TO STAFF A LOT OF TIMES SO THAT WE CAN HAVE QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

WE JUST NEED SOME FORUM OR MECHANISM TO DO THAT AS WE CONTINUE TO, TO, UM, YOU'RE RECEIVING COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY, YOU'RE RECORDING THOSE AND YOU'RE GIVING EVERYBODY YOUR RESPONSES.

IF YOU COULD TREAT THE COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE BOARD MEMBERS, THE SAME INVITE, DIRECT QUESTIONS OF YOU, AND IF YOU COULD RESPOND AND THEN LET THE COMMUNITY KNOW WHAT THE RESPONSES ARE TO THOSE QUESTIONS, THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.

YES.

AND SO, UM,

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COUNCIL MEMBER KITCHEN, I WOULD SAY THAT THE [FEEDBACK@CAPMETRO.ORG](mailto:FEEDBACK@CAPMETRO.ORG) EMAIL ACCOUNT, WHICH DOES GO DIRECTLY TO JACKIE AND MYSELF, AND WE'LL KEEP LEANNE IN THE LOOP ON THAT, THAT PROBABLY WOULD BE THE BEST WAY TO HAVE A SINGLE, SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT, SO TO SPEAK.

UM, AND THE THREE OF US, UH, AS WELL AS SHY AND CROUSEY DURING THIS PROCESS, THAT'S HOW WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH OUR, WITH OUR PARTNERS AT THE VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS, IS THAT IF A MEMBER OF A CITY DEPARTMENT HAD QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, THEY CAN GO TO LEANNE ATP TO ME, UH, CHEYENNE FOR CAPITAL METRO, AND THEN WE ALL CAME TOGETHER, BUT I WOULD RECOMMEND THE [FEEDBACK@CAPMETRO.ORG](mailto:FEEDBACK@CAPMETRO.ORG).

THAT WAY WE'RE INCORPORATING NOT ONLY COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, BUT FROM THE POLICYMAKERS HERE TODAY.

JUST SAY THAT AGAIN SO THAT EVERYBODY CAN HEAR YES.

FEED BACK ALL ONE WORD AT CAP METRO, ALL ONE WORD DOT O R G.

AND I KNOW THAT THIS IS OBVIOUSLY A TRI-PARTY EFFORT, BUT I THINK THAT MIGHT BE THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY.

AND WE'LL MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE LOGGED, UH, LIKE JACKIE'S GROUP HAS BEEN DOING FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

THANK YOU.

I'VE GOT A MEMBER MITCHELL AND THE COUNCIL MEMBER COSAR THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN.

UH, I SITTING BACK AND LISTENING TO ALL THE COMMENTS BEING MADE.

I THINK THEY'RE ALL VALID AND IMPORTANT.

UM, I WOULD ENCOURAGE US THAT IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE PUT THE PROPER PROTECTIONS IN PLACE, THE PROPER OVERSIGHT AND MOVE FORWARD.

UH, JUST TO PUT THINGS IN PERSPECTIVE OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS, WE HAVE AVERAGED 158 NEW PEOPLE TO THIS METROPOLITAN AREA EVERY DAY FOR 10 YEARS, 579,000 FOLKS.

THAT'S A WHOLE LOT OF NEW HOUSING.

AND I WOULD VENTURE TO SAY THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO MATCH THAT GROWTH WITH ROADS BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY.

WE JUST NOT INCLINED TO DO THAT.

WE'RE SPENDING \$8 BILLION ON , WHICH IS NEEDED, BUT THERE'S NOT 8 BILLION FOR MOPAC, AND THERE'S NOT 8 BILLION FOR 180 3 AND ALL THIS OTHER STUFF.

OUR SOLUTION IN THE FUTURE IS WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY.

AND, AND SO WITH ALL DUE SPEED, I THINK WE NEED TO ACT, UH, WE HAVE PUT A GREAT ATP BOARD IN PLACE.

I THINK THIS DOES NEED TO GET BUILT.

IT DOES NEED THE PROPER PROTECTIONS, BUT I'M SENSING A SENSE OF URGENCY.

AND IT HAS TO DO WITH, IF WE THINK THIS IS A 10 YEAR PROJECT, THAT TURNS INTO A 20 YEAR PROJECT, I'M GOING TO TELL YOU THAT THE COSTS ARE GOING TO BE DOUBLE OF WHAT WE ESTIMATED.

THAT'S WHAT I'VE SEEN IN MY INDUSTRY.

MULTIFAMILY PROJECTS COSTS ABOUT \$50 A SQUARE FOOT IN 2000, BY 2010, THEY WERE ABOUT A HUNDRED DOLLARS A SQUARE FOOT.

AND NOW WE'RE WELL ABOVE THAT.

AND SO THE MORE WE DELAY, THE MORE LIKELY IS THAT WE'RE GOING TO RUN OUT OF MONEY.

AND SO WE DO NEED TO MOVE WITH ALL HASTE BECAUSE THIS IS THE LONG-TERM SOLUTION FOR EVERYBODY OF EVERY CHARACTER, EVERY INCOME LEVEL AND GO ON.

SO I DON'T WANT TO DELAY AND SPEND A YEAR OR SO TALKING ABOUT, I WOULD, I WANT TO DIRECT ATP, DO THEIR JOB.

I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE PUT IN THE PROPER PROTECTIONS THAT ARE NEEDED, BUT DO DO IT WITH A SENSE OF URGENCY BECAUSE I BELIEVE IT'S VERY REAL, BOTH ON THE NEED SIDE.

AND THEN ON THE COST SIDE, THE OTHER COMMENT THAT I WOULD MAKE IS WHEN WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THE DIRECTION FOR SCHOOL TEACHERS AND, UH, HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL, JUST BE AWARE, THAT'S BECOME APPARENT TO ME OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, THAT MOST OF OUR CITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS AT 80% MEDIAN INCOME OR LESS DOES NOT SERVE NURSES, OUR SCHOOL TEACHERS OR ANYBODY OF THE SHORT I'VE TRIED, I'M DOING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT AND ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE MAKE TOO MUCH MONEY.

SO MAKE SURE WHEN YOU'RE TRYING TO DO A, YOUR INCLUSIVE, UM, NET TO CAPTURE AS MANY NEEDED PEOPLE AS YOU CAN, UH, I WOULD MAKE SURE THAT YOU INCLUDE, IT INCLUDE A LOT OF YOUNG PROFESSORS, FOR EXAMPLE, WHO CAN'T AFFORD TO LIVE IN OUR CITY BECAUSE THEY MAKE MORE THAN 80% MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME, BUT THEY DON'T MAKE ENOUGH TO AFFORD A HALF A MILLION DOLLAR HOME KIND OF THING.

SO MAKE SURE THAT YOU'RE CONSIDERING, UH, LOOK AT THE USES AND THE HELP AND THOSE SORTS OF THINGS, BUT BE EXPANSIVE IN YOUR COVERAGE OF THAT.

THANK YOU.

GOOD COUNCIL MEMBER CASARA AND THEN KITCHEN CHAIR.

I, I KNOW THIS MIGHT FEEL LIKE IT'S GOING A LITTLE LONG, BUT I THINK IT'S ACTUALLY REALLY IMPORTANT FOR US TO HIGHLIGHT WHAT WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO DO HERE, WHICH IS EXACTLY WHAT WE SET OUT, THIS, THAT WHAT WE VIEWED THIS, THIS THREE PARTY AGREEMENT AND THE PROCESS WOULD LOOK LIKE WHERE WE WOULD HAVE THE COUNCIL AND THE CAP METRO BOARD WORKING ON, ON FUNDING AND OVERSIGHT AND HCP ON IMPLEMENTATION.

AND WE KNEW THAT THERE WOULD BE SOME TENSIONS OR QUESTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THAT.

AND THAT'S HOW WE SET THIS UP.

SO EVEN THOUGH WE'RE HAVING THAT KIND OF A CONVERSATION,

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I THINK IT'S ENTIRELY APPROPRIATE IN WHAT WE EXPECTED AND WHAT WE WANTED TO SEE.

AND SO I WANT TO CONCUR WITH THINGS THAT, THAT HAVE BEEN SAID HERE AROUND THE FACT THAT THESE SETS OF QUESTIONS, UM, ARE PART OF WHAT WE'RE SET HERE TO DO.

UM, AND, AND I DO WANT, AND I CAN, WE ALL AGREE THAT WE WANT EACH TO IMPLEMENT THIS WITH ALL DUE HASTE WHILE AT THE SAME TIME QUESTIONS OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY, LABOR POLICY, HOUSING, AND IMPACT TO AN ENGAGING WITH OUR VOTERS AND THE CONSTITUENTS WHO DO VOTE AND CHOOSE TO ELECT US TO SAFEGUARD THIS MONEY.

AND THOSE ISSUES OF POLICY WE ALWAYS SAID WOULD BE REALLY IMPORTANT FOR THEM TO ENGAGE WITH OUR ELECTED AND APPOINTED LEADERS ON.

AND SO I JUST WANT TO, TO COMMENT ON AND REMARK, I CAN JUST BECAUSE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE WERE DOING THIS, THIS IS HOW WE SET THIS UP TO DO IT.

I THINK THE QUESTIONS ARE APPROPRIATE, AND I APPRECIATE HOW BOARD MEMBER MITCHELL JUST GROUNDED US AND OTHERS GROUNDED US IN THE FACT THAT WE'RE TRYING TO GET THIS PROJECT DONE.

AND THAT'S WHAT EVERYBODY WANTS TO DO, BUT, YOU KNOW, BUT QUESTIONS OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY OR, OR POLICY AROUND, UH, AROUND WORKERS RIGHTS, THOSE ARE THE SORTS OF THINGS THAT, THAT WE ALWAYS EXPECTED.

WE WOULD NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE WAS POLICY GUIDANCE FROM POLICYMAKERS ON.

UM, AND SO I JUST WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR DIGGING IN ON THIS WORK AND REEMPHASIZE THAT IT'S NOT FOR LACK OF TRUST.

I THINK THIS IS ACTUALLY THE SYSTEM THAT WE HAVE SET UP AND THAT IT'S IMPORTANT.

UM, AS ATP BOARD MEMBERS SAID FOR US TO NOT, UM, THOSE OF US, FOR EXAMPLE, ON COUNCIL OR CAP, METRO BOARD DID NOT STEP INTO THE ROLE OF IMPLEMENTATION BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT WE SET UP AGP TO DO.

BUT AT THE SAME TIME FOR EVERYBODY, UH, AT AGP TO RECOGNIZE THE PORTION THAT HAS BEEN, THAT HAS BEEN LEFT TO, TO THE COUNCIL AND TO CAP METRO.

AND I JUST THINK THAT WE'RE ALL TRYING TO FIT INTO OUR ROLES HERE.

AND I APPRECIATE EVERYBODY STEPPING IN TO DO THAT.

OKAY.

THANK YOU.

COUNCIL MEMBER, COUNCIL MEMBER KITCHEN, JUST, JUST QUICKLY.

I THINK COUNCIL MEMBER COSARA SAID WHAT I WAS WANTING TO EMPHASIZE.

SO THANK YOU FOR THAT.

AND I ALSO DON'T WANT ANYONE IN THE PUBLIC TO THINK THAT THERE'S ANY SUGGESTION OF DELAY.

UH, THERE'S NO ONE HERE HAS SUGGESTED THAT WE SLOW THIS PROCESS DOWN PROCESS DOWN.

SO THANK YOU.

THANK YOU.

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS BEFORE WE MOVE ON TO JACKIE AND NEXT STEPS? I DO THANK YOU NOW TO TAKE US BACKWARDS, BUT, UM, AS YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE AGREEMENTS THAT ARE COMING, THE CONTRACTS THAT ARE COMING BEFORE CAP METRO IN OCTOBER, UM, ONE SPECIFIC QUESTION WOULD BE AROUND THE MONITORING.

THIS IS BACK TO THE BETTER BUILDER OR SIMILAR STANDARDS.

IF YOU COULD PROVIDE US WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THE MONITORING.

I THINK THAT IN PARTICULAR IS AN AREA OF QUESTIONS.

YES, I WILL.

UH, I'LL FOLLOW UP WITH THAT SO THAT YOU, YOU HAVE THE LATEST.

GREAT.

THANK YOU.

AND ESPECIALLY, AGAIN, JUST DETAILS ABOUT THE MONITORING, WHO IS DOING IT, HOW IT'S BEING DONE.

THANKS SO MUCH.

OH, CHAIR.

OKAY.

UM, THANK YOU EVERYONE.

AND, UM, IT'S GOOD TO JUST SIT BACK AND LISTEN IN MANY WAYS, WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING ALL ALONG FOR WHAT REALLY FEELS LIKE 20 YEARS IN THE MAKING.

SO THIS IS REALLY AN INCREDIBLE MOMENT IN TIME.

UM, BUT I DO WANT TO EMPHASIZE A FEW THINGS OF WHERE WE AS A BOARD AND THE DIVERSE BOARDS AND CITY COUNCIL CAN HELP.

UM, I LIKE THE STRUCTURE THAT HAS BEEN SET UP TO WHERE WE'RE GUIDING THE TEAM TO GO FORWARD AND DIVE DEEPER DIVES.

SO THE ASK THAT I HAVE OF STAFF IS HOW CAN WE HELP YOU IN ADDRESSING THOSE CONVERSATIONS AND UNDERSTANDING THE ISSUES? SO PLEASE INCLUDE US AND FOR ALL THE COMMENTS THAT COUNCIL HAS BROUGHT UP, UM, CAN YOU PLEASE KEEP US POSTED AS WELL ON THE ANSWERS AND ANY MEMOS THAT GET ISSUED, PLEASE KEEP US IN THE LOOP SO THAT WE DON'T REITERATE, OR WE DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME.

BECAUSE I THINK THAT CLARITY, THIS IS AN EXERCISE IN CLARITY, AND I COULDN'T AGREE MORE, UM, FROM THE DEVELOPMENT SIDE AND PUTTING ON MY ARCHITECT HAT ON, I THINK WHAT WE HAVE SEEN, THERE'S A LOT OF GOOD INTENTIONS THAT TRIP ON EACH OTHER.

SO THIS EXERCISE IN CLARITY, I WANT US TO BE TEAMMATES WITH YOU AND WITH STAFF TO HELP ADDRESS BIGGER PICTURES SO THAT WE DON'T AFFECT ANOTHER AGENCY NEGATIVELY.

AND I'M SPEAKING REALLY ON BEHALF OF SOMETHING THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO ME THIS PARTICULAR WEEK.

UM, I WAS NOTIFIED YESTERDAY THAT MY FAMILY'S HOME IN MEXICO HAS BEEN FLOODED TWICE CONSECUTIVELY.

SO THEY'RE UNDERWATER, MY FAMILY HAS BEEN EVACUATED.

SO WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT FLOODING ISSUES, THEY'RE REAL, THEY'RE VERY, VERY REAL.

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UM, THIS PAST WEEK I ALSO LOST A DEAR FRIEND BECAUSE HE WAS A VICTIM OF A CAR CRASH AND THIS AFFECTS FAMILIES DEEPLY.

SO THE WORK THAT WE'RE DOING AFFECTS OUR COMMUNITY MORE THAN WE CAN IMAGINE.

AND THIRDLY, I WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT AS, AS THIS IS HOW IT'S ALL REALLY COMING TOGETHER, THAT THE VOICES OF OUR COMMUNITY ARE REALLY WHAT ARE GOING TO MAKE THIS PROGRAM SUCCESSFUL IN THE LONG HAUL.

AND I REALLY HOPE THAT WE DON'T LOSE SIGHT OF WHO WE'RE SERVING ALL THE TIME.

SO IN LIGHT OF THIS, AND I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR WORST BOARD MEMBERS STRATTON AND FOR MY FELLOW BOARD MEMBERS THAT THE TRANSPARENCY AND THE CHECKS AND BALANCES THAT WE HAVE SET UP, I THINK ARE GOING TO BE THE BLESSING OF THIS PROGRAM.

BUT ALSO I THINK THAT, UM, TRANSIT IS THE MOST ENVIRONMENTAL THING THAT WE CAN DO.

AND WE ARE PUTTING POLICIES IN PLACE THAT ARE GOING TO ADDRESS WALKABILITY CYCLABILITY AND MOBILITY BEYOND ANYTHING ANYONE CAN IMAGINE, OR WE HAVE REMOVED OURSELVES TOO FAR FROM.

SO I REALLY WOULD LOVE TO ENCOURAGE EVERYONE FOR US TO CALL CANS ALONG THE WAY AND, AND REACH FOR THE STARS AS WE GO THROUGH THIS EXERCISE IN CLARITY.

AND, AND I DO HOPE THAT WE THINK OF TRANSIT AS THE MOST ENVIRONMENTAL THING WE CAN DO FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

SO WITH THAT, I REALLY APPRECIATE THE LEADERSHIP OF ALL OF YOU.

AND THANK YOU FOR FORGIVING US THIS, THIS FORUM.

IF THERE ARE NO OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS, I'LL ASK JACKIE TO, UH, LEAD ON.

HAPPY TO.



SO LOOKING AHEAD, WE WILL, I'M SORRY, COUNCIL MEMBER ALTER, I DIDN'T MEAN TO CUT YOU OFF.

THANK YOU.

UM, YOU KNOW, I THINK WHAT, WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS GET CLARITY ON DOCUMENTS THAT WE'RE BEING ASKED TO, TO VOTE ON.

AND I THINK THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO GET THAT.

AND, UM, WE'VE SEEN IN THE PAST THAT THESE DOCUMENTS ARE NOT PERFECT ON THE FIRST GO AROUND AND, AND I THINK STAFF RIGHTLY SET UP TODAY'S MEETING SO THAT WE WOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE CONCERNS AND THOUGHTS AND ASK QUESTIONS AND WHATNOT.

UM, IN THAT EVENT THAT FOLKS ARE GOING TO BE BRINGING ANY AMENDMENTS OR STAFF IS GOING TO BE MAKING CHANGES.

I JUST WANT TO UNDERSCORE WHAT THE MAYOR SUGGESTED THAT MAKES SURE THAT WE HAVE A RED LINE WELL IN ADVANCE.

UM, AND THAT WE HAVE MECHANISMS FOR POSTING THINGS SO THAT WE ARE NOT BEING ASKED TO, TO PASS THINGS TO LAST MINUTE.

UM, THERE'S A LOT OF REALLY COMPLICATED PIECES AND MOVING PIECES, UM, NOT LEAST OF WHICH IS MAKING SURE THAT ATP, UM, ENCAP CAP METRO AS THE FISCAL AGENT, UM, CAN QUALIFY FOR THE FUNDING AND, AND, UM, BE TRUE TO OUR BOND HOLDERS.

UM, SO I JUST THINK THAT EXTRA LAYER OF TRANSPARENCY, EVEN AS WE GO THROUGH THIS PROCESS, I THINK IS IMPORTANT FOR US MOVING FORWARD.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER THERE.

NO OTHER SAID, JACKIE.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU CHAIR.

SO LOOKING AHEAD, AS SAM MENTIONED, WE'LL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO LEARN ABOUT THE JPA, UM, THAT WILL BE TOMORROW AT, I BELIEVE IT'S FIVE 30, UM, AND IT IS A VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING.

IF PEOPLE CAN NOT ATTEND THAT MEETING IS GOING TO BE RECORDED AND POSTED ON THE PROJECT CONNECT WEBSITE, PROJECT CONNECT.COM.

PEOPLE WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE COMMENTS AND POSE QUESTIONS.

UM, AFTER WATCHING THAT RECORDING@ANYTIMEWITHFEEDBACKATPROJECTCONNECT.COM OR FEEDBACK@CAPMETRO.ORG.

UM, AND THEN WE HAVE, UH, A SERIES OF MEETINGS THIS WEEK AS WELL WITH OUR TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES.

UM, WE HAVE OUR, UH, ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURE AND CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING HAPPENING ON THE SIXTH WEDNESDAY.

UM, AND THEN WE ALSO HAVE ON THURSDAY, THE PLANNING, SUSTAINABILITY EQUITY AND DBE COMMITTEE MEETING.

SO THEY WILL GET A PRESENTATION ON THE JPA AND BE ABLE TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK AS WELL.

AND WE ALSO HAVE THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING ON THURSDAY, THE SIXTH AS WELL.

THEY'LL BE GETTING A PRESENTATION AND GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW AND PROVIDE FEEDBACK.

UM, I BELIEVE F A R R A FINANCE AND RISK COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL BE JOINING THE OTHER TWO COMMITTEES TO GET THAT, UM, PRESENTATION AS WELL.

UM, AND IN, IN THE INTERIM DURING THE MONTH, WE TAKE FEEDBACK ALL THE TIME.

WE ARE, WE REALLY NEVER STOP LISTENING TO THE COMMUNITY.

SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PUBLIC KNOWS THAT.

AND ASIDE FROM THE FEEDBACK

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EMAILS, PEOPLE CAN ALWAYS CALL OUR CUSTOMER GO LINE, UH, AT CAP METRO, AND WE ALL WORK AS ONE INTEGRATED TEAM.

THEY'LL, THEY'LL MAKE SURE THAT WE GET THE QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS OUR WAY.

UM, AND THEN FINALLY, THE OCTOBER 29TH MEETING, THE TRI-PARTY MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL CAP, METRO BOARD, AND AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP BOARD, UM, WE WILL HAVE A PRESENTATION OF THE FIRST ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT AND IN THE ACTION ON THE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT, UM, AND CONCURRENT ITEMS. UM, SO THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE COMING HEAD.

I ALSO WANT TO MENTION THAT WE HAVE A COUPLE OF COMMUNITY DESIGN WORKSHOPS COMING UP THIS MONTH, AND I WOULD BE REMISS IF I DIDN'T PROMOTE THOSE WHILE I HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY.

SO OCTOBER THE 12TH, WE ARE LOOKING AT, UM, THE, THE NEW BLUE LINE BRIDGE OVER LADY BIRD LAKE.

SO THAT SHOULD BE A REALLY INTERESTING CONVERSATION.

THESE ARE AN EXTENSION OF OUR WORKING GROUPS THAT WE BEGAN LAST YEAR, UM, AND AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ANYBODY TO PARTICIPATE, WHETHER THEY LIVE IN THAT AREA OR NOT.

SO WE ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO GET INVOLVED OCTOBER THE 12TH, THAT'S FOR THE BLUE LINE, UH, BRIDGE.

THEN WE HAVE ANOTHER ONE COMING UP ON THE 19TH OF OCTOBER FOR THE ACCESS TO THE NORTH LAMAR TRANSIT CENTER AND HOW IT INTERACTS WITH THE ORANGE LINE.

SO, UM, AND MORE OF THOSE TO COME IN NOVEMBER.

SO WANTED TO GET THAT IN.

SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH, APPRECIATE YOUR TIME.

AND THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE COMING AHEAD.

THANK YOU, JACKIE.

NOW, LET ME JUST SAY, IN BEHALF OF ALL OF US, ALL THREE BOARDS, A THANK YOU TO OUR RESPECTIVE STAFFS FOR THE GREAT AMOUNT OF WORK THAT'S BEEN GOING ON HERE.

IT'S VERY OBVIOUS YOU ALL BEEN WORKING HARD IN THE MIDDLE OF A PANDEMIC, UH, AS RANDY SAID, UH, BUILDING THE TRAIN WHILE WE DRIVE IT.

AND, UH, IT'S, IT'S A HUGE CHALLENGE AND WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR ALL THE GOOD WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE AND HOW MUCH, UH, GREAT PROGRESS THAT YOU HAVE MADE.

UH, SEVERAL OF THE COMMENTS SPOKE TO THE CHALLENGE IN FRONT OF OUR THREE POLICY-MAKING ORGANIZATIONS.

AND, UH, I JUST WANT TO NOTE, THIS IS A REALLY HISTORIC MOMENT THAT WE SHOULD PAUSE AND ENJOY JUST A LITTLE BIT.

I REMEMBER AFTER THE 2014 ELECTION, A COUPLE OF FOLKS AT CAP METRO STAFF, THINKING ABOUT WHAT WAS NEXT AND THIS, UH, MAY MAYBE THE NEXT ITERATION OF PROJECT CONNECT AND HERE ABOUT SEVEN YEARS LATER, UH, WE SEE SCATTERED AROUND AS BOARD MEMBERS FOR ATP, UH, WHO I'M VERY PROUD OF.

I THINK WE HAVE A FANTASTIC BOARD, UH, WITH A TASK OF BUILDING A BIG GRAND PROJECT.

THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT OUR CITY NEEDS.

WE HAVE A LOT OF HARD WORK IN FRONT OF US.

UH, THERE ARE THREE POLICY ORGANIZATIONS TRYING TO COALESCE, UH, AND THERE'S SOME TENSIONS AND WE HAVE A LOT OF CONVERSATIONS, UH, YET TO HAVE, AND TRYING TO STRIKE THE RIGHT BALANCE BETWEEN AUTONOMY BETWEEN THREE POLICY ORGANIZATIONS, UH, WHILE STILL RESPECTING THAT EACH OF US HAVE POLICIES THAT NEED TO BE IMPLEMENTED.

AND SO THERE'S A LOT OF WORK TO BE DONE.

AND, UH, I, FOR ONE A PLEDGE THAT WE'LL SPEND ALL THE HOURS WE NEED TO SPEND AND ROLL UP OUR SLEEVES AND HAVE ALL THE CONVERSATIONS WE NEED TO HAVE TO GET THIS THING, UH, PUT TOGETHER.

IT WON'T BE PERFECT, BUT AS MY COLLEAGUE, UH, MEMBER MITCHELL ALWAYS DOES, UH, REMINDS US THAT THERE'S WORK TO DO.

AND WE'VE GOT A LOT OF PEOPLE SHOWING UP EVERY DAY AND TRAFFIC'S NOT GOING TO GET BETTER.

IT'S ONLY GOING TO GET WORSE.

SO I'M EXCITED ABOUT THAT.

IT'S NOT A UNDER SCORE.

THE CHALLENGE IS WE HAVE TO GET THIS THING PAPERED AND AGREED TO, UH, BUT I'M EXCITED ABOUT THE PROGRESS WE'VE MADE.

WE'LL HAVE SOME HARD CONVERSATIONS, UH, UH, IN THE NEXT, UH, WEEKS, UH, BUT, UH, AT THE END OF THE DAY, I'M CONFIDENT WE'LL PUT SOMETHING TOGETHER THAT, UH, WILL SERVE OUR COMMUNITY.

WELL, AND WITH THAT MAYOR, I HAVE A QUESTION.

REMEMBER, KITCHEN? YEAH, JUST A LAST POLICY QUESTION, A PROCESS QUESTION.

I'M SORRY.

UM, SO THE, UH, MANAGEMENT REPORT, IS THAT SOMETHING THAT WE CAN, UH, RECEIVE IN ADVANCE OF THE OCTOBER 29TH MEETING? I DON'T KNOW WHO TO ASK THAT, UH, BOARD MEMBER UP, EXCUSE ME, BOARD MEMBER.

UH, WE ARE WORKING ON THAT.

I CAN'T COMMIT TO THE EXACT DATE.

UM, AT LATER, PROBABLY LATER THIS WEEK, EARLY NEXT WEEK, I'LL HAVE A BETTER SENSE OF WHEN THAT DAY WE PUBLISH, BUT THE GOAL IS TO PUBLISH IT JUST BEFORE THE BOARD MEETING, UH, OR THE JOINT MEETING.

AND THEN, OKAY.

I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'D HAVE TIME TO READ IT BEFORE THE, UH, AND THEN THE LAST QUESTION IS, UM, WHEN THE PRESENTATION TO THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES THAT YOU NAMED, WILL YOU ALSO BE PRESENTING TO THE CAP METRO CAP? METRO HAS, UM, UM, UH, COMMUNITY COMMITTEES ALSO, WILL YOU BE PRESENTING TO THEM ALSO? YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

SEE SACK AND ACCESS.

WE'LL BOTH GET A PRESENTATION

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AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK.

UH, AND WHEN YOU KNOW THOSE DATES LET US KNOW.

SO COUNCIL MEMBER, WE HAD A FAIRLY HELPFUL SLIDE THAT LAID OUT OUR ENGAGEMENT PROCESS AHEAD, ESPECIALLY FOR THESE ADVISORY BODIES.

I'LL MAKE SURE THAT THAT'S UP TO DATE AND WE'LL SHARE THAT.

THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

THANK YOU.

BEFORE I DO THAT, GINA, DID YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING? I DO.

THANK YOU, MAYOR.

UM, ON BEHALF OF OUR CITY MANAGER, I JUST REALLY WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GREAT WORK OF THE STAFF HERE.

UM, NOT ONLY THE STAFF THAT YOU SEE IN FRONT OF YOU WITH CAPITAL METRO AND ATP IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, BUT THE CITY MANAGERS, EXECUTIVE TEAM AND THE ENTIRE ENTERPRISE THAT HAS BEEN SUPPORTING THE PROJECT CONNECT OFFICE.

UH, IT'S REALLY BEEN A JOINT EFFORT.

I HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GREAT WORK OF RANDY CLARK AND PROVIDING LEADERSHIP OF CAPITOL METRO AND ATP THROUGHOUT THIS ENTIRE PROCESS.

UH, WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR FEEDBACK.

I WOULD JUST SUGGEST THAT MAYBE CAPITAL METRO, YOU INCLUDE LEANNE CONTACT ON THAT FEEDBACK SO THAT WE DON'T MISS ANYTHING THAT OUR COUNCIL MEMBERS, UM, ARE PROVIDING THEN WITH THAT.

UM, THANK YOU MAYOR.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, GINA RANTED, ANY LAST COMMENTS AND THEN THE LAST, THE MAYOR AND SURE THAT GEORGE, THANK YOU CHAIR.

UM, AND THANK YOU GINA FOR YOUR REMARKS.

AND, UH, I JUST, I HOPE, I HOPE ONE THING, BOTH EVERYONE IN THIS ROOM OR VIRTUALLY OR ANYONE THAT'S WATCHING CONTINUES TO SEE, AND I HOPE I AM AND I, AND I, AND I APPRECIATE THAT THERE MIGHT'VE BEEN SOME POLICY, UH, DEBATE THERE, WHICH, WHICH IS HEALTHY, BUT FROM A STAFF POINT OF VIEW, I CAN'T OVEREMPHASIZE HOW, UM, AMAZING THE TEAM IS WORKING TOGETHER.

AND OUR COLLABORATIVE IS EVERY SINGLE DAY FOCUSED ON THIS MISSION.

AND THAT HAPPENS FROM LEADERSHIP.

SO, YOU KNOW, GINA, EVERY, EVERY SINGLE DAY IS FOCUSED, UH, UH, PROBABLY PROBABLY MORE THAN SHE WOULD ACTUALLY WANT TO ON SOME DAYS WITH ALL THE OTHER STUFF IN HER PORTFOLIO.

UM, YOU KNOW, UH, NE THE ENTIRE PROJECT CONNECT TEAM, SAM, LEANNE, CHEYENNE, JACKIE, UH, ASHLEY, UH, BRANDON KAY, CASEY, THAT, UH, STAFF HAS WORKING ON THESE, THESE DOCUMENTS TO THE WHOLE PROGRAM ALL DAY, EVERY DAY.

I CAN PROMISE, UH, THE COMMUNITY THAT, SO, UM, I REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO THESE NEXT STEPS, THE 29TH, I, UM, YOU KNOW, HOPEFULLY WE CAN WE'LL WORK ON ALL THE LANGUAGE, WE'LL GET TO A GOOD SPOT.

UH, WE'RE ALSO IDEALLY DEPENDING ON WEATHER AND WHERE WE ARE WITH COVID, WE'D LIKE TO DO IDEALLY MAYBE TYPE OF SOME TYPE OF CELEBRATORY ASPECT OUTSIDE OF THE CONVENTION CENTER AS WELL.

THAT'S WHERE WE HAVE IN THE NEXT MEETING.

I THINK AS JERRY, YOU MENTIONED, WE SHOULD TAKE A MOMENT TO DO, TO REFLECT, UH, ON THE 29TH OF BE ONE YEAR, BASICALLY SINCE A PROP A DID PASS.

AND NOT ONLY DO I THINK THE TEAM HAS ACCOMPLISHED A LOT, I THINK IT'S JUST A, IT'S A MONUMENTAL STEP FOR THIS COMMUNITY GOING FORWARD.

SO I DO THINK WE SHOULD REFLECT AND REMEMBER THAT.

SO WITH THAT, UM, I JUST REALLY THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR TIME.

I KNOW THIS IS AN EXTRA THING FOR EVERYONE TO DO, UM, AND THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR ENGAGEMENT AND SUPPORT.

OKAY.

THANK YOU, RANDY.

AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK MAYOR.

FINAL THOUGHTS.

YEAH.

AGAIN, I THINK IT'S GREAT THAT WE GET TOGETHER AS A GROUP.

UH, I THINK IT'S REAL IMPORTANT FOR US TO DO THIS.

UH, I THINK IT WORKED REAL WELL FOR US A YEAR AGO, AND I THINK IT'S GOING TO WORK REAL WELL FOR US GOING FORWARD.

UM, I THOUGHT THE MEETING TODAY WAS, WAS A REALLY GOOD ONE IN ANTICIPATION OF THIS MONTH LONG PROCESS OF HERE'S THE COMMUNITY THROUGH TO REALLY GET THEM INVOLVED AND TO GET YOUR IDEAS AND THOUGHTS AND QUESTIONS OUT, UH, SO THAT THEY CAN BE ANSWERED, BUT SO THAT OTHER PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY HAVE A CHANCE TO SEE THEM AS WELL, UH, SO THAT WE CAN ALL BE MOVING IN THE SAME DIRECTION.

UH, YOU KNOW, AS YOU LOOK AT THESE PROJECTS, RANDY AND GINA, YOU PROBABLY WOULD KNOW BETTER THAN I WOULD EVEN KNOW THE CENTER FOR TRANSPORTATION, YOU KNOW, HAS

DONE A REVIEW OF 180, UH, DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL, UH, PUBLIC TRANSIT PROJECTS SINCE THE YEAR 2000.

OBVIOUSLY THESE ARE PROJECTS THAT ARE PRONE TO TAKING TOO LONG TO BUILD AND COSTING TOO MUCH TO BE COMPLETED.

UH, AND WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT WE'RE NOT ONE OF THOSE PROJECTS.

UH, THEY DID AN ANALYSIS OF THAT AND THEY SPOKE TO ALL THE THINGS THAT LOOKING AT, THESE ARE THE THINGS TO FOCUS ON.

UH, AND, AND, AND RANDY AND GINA, AND THE STAFF'S WORKING ON THIS.

IT SEEMS LIKE YOU ALL ARE, ARE DEAD'S BULLSEYE ON THE KINDS OF VARIABLES THAT THEY IDENTIFY AS THE VARIABLES THAT SEEM TO GO WRONG.

AND THE THING IS THE LESSONS TO BE LEARNED ALL THE WAY FROM GETTING A PRETTY PHENOMENAL STAFF, UH, AS YOU'RE BUILDING ON THAT WITH, UH, WITH ATP.

UH, BUT, BUT THE WORK THAT'S BEING DONE, THE SPEED ALREADY SETTING UP THE SYSTEMS, MOST OF THE TECHNICAL THINGS,

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I THINK IT'S ALSO INTERESTING THAT THE VERY LAST THING THEY MENTIONED, UH, IN THEIR LIST OF THINGS TO SPEND TIME ON, HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH KIND OF A TECHNICAL THING THAT I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THEY WOULD ONLY ADDRESS.

AND THE LAST THING THAT THEY SPOKE TO WAS THE EARLY PLANNING AND PUBLIC OUTREACH THAT PUBLIC SPONSORS NEED TO DEDICATE MORE STAFF AND RESOURCES TO THIS INITIAL PLANNING, SCOPING WORK.

UH, THEY SAY YOU HAVE TO SECURE THE SCOPE AGREEMENTS EARLY AS POSSIBLE DURING THE PLANNING STAGE TO PREVENT DISAGREEMENTS AND ISSUES FROM CAUSING DELAY AND ISSUES FURTHER INTO A PROJECT.

AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DOING NOW.

I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT FOR MY COLLEAGUE ON ATP, UH, BOARD MEMBER, BRAD, AND THEN MY COLLEAGUE ON THE COUNCIL COUNCIL MEMBER, RENTA RHEA TO, TO HIGHLIGHT WHEN THEY'RE SENSING SOMETHING THAT MAKES THEM UNCOMFORTABLE, UH, BECAUSE WE HAVE TO BE AWARE OF HOW EVERYBODY IS FEELING COMING INTO THESE CONVERSATIONS.

UM, BUT I THINK A AND B, WE NEED TO BE MINDFUL OF THAT, BUT THE TENSION IS OKAY, IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE, BUT IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE NOW SO THAT WE CAN RESOLVE ALL THESE QUESTIONS NOW SO THAT WHEN THESE QUESTIONS ARE RESOLVED AND WE HAVE THE SYSTEMS AND THE EXPECTATIONS IN PLACE, AND WE'RE ABLE JUST TO MAN PROCEED AND GET THIS PROJECT DONE EARLIER THAN IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE DONE AND FOR LESS MONEY THAN IT'S SUPPOSED TO COST, UH, OR AS CLOSE TO THAT AS WE CAN GET.

UH, AND, AND SO I LOOK FORWARD TO THE MEETINGS THE REST OF THIS MONTH, AND THIS IS A PROCESS.

THERE ARE A LOT OF THE JPA ELEMENTS THAT WE KNOW ALREADY.

AREN'T GOING TO BE DECIDED UNTIL THE NEXT SUMMER, AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO CHANGE THINGS AND ITERATE.

HOW ABOUT THIS? THIS IS A GOOD MEETING.

IT'S GOOD TO SEE EVERYBODY AGAIN, THE TEAM IS INCREDIBLE.

AND THE SPEED WITH WHICH THINGS HAVE ALREADY BEEN INITIATED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, UH, FROM TALKING TO PEOPLE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IS JUST REALLY IMPRESSIVE.

SO THANK YOU FOR THAT.

THANK YOU, MAYOR.

I KNOW RANDY, UH, UH, UH, GREED THAT HE'S GOING TO BE ABLE TO GET IT ON TIME AND UNDER BUDGET, RIGHT? SAY THAT ON THE RECORD NOW TODAY, UH, FITTINGLY, UH, I THINK IT'S A NICE THAT OUR NEWEST CHAIR, CASTRO DE BERRERA, UH, HAS THE LAST WORD TODAY, THE MIC.

UM, THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR THE TIME AND THE WISDOM SHARED HERE TODAY.

AND, UM, ALSO I THINK ONE THING WE NEED TO EMPHASIZE IS THAT THIS JPA IS NOT GOING TO COVER IT ALL.

THERE WILL BE SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENTS THAT WOULD CONTINUE TO COVER THE MISSING ASPECTS THAT HAVEN'T BEEN ADDRESSED.

UM, SO I THINK IF THAT HELPS ANYONE TAKE DOWN SOME OF THE CONCERNS OR ANXIETY THAT THIS IS NOT GONNA CATCH ALL ELEMENT, SO THERE WILL BE SUBSEQUENT DOCUMENTS.

UH, BUT WITH THAT, IF THERE'S NO, ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS, I WOULD LIKE TO, UH, WE'RE NOT ADJOURNING THE MEETING YET, OR WE ARE OKAY.

SO WITH THIS, UH, I LIKE TO, UM, ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP AND, UM, ALONG WITH ALL MY COLLEAGUES.

THANK YOU.

AND I SECOND, ALL OF THE APPRECIATION FOR THE STAFF.

THANK YOU.

OH, AT THE TIME, WHAT'S THE TIME 3 57.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MAYOR.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADJOURN? YEAH.



SO THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL, A PORTION OF THIS JOINT MEETING A DRAWER AT A 3:57 PM.

THANK YOU.

AND WITH THAT, I'LL TURN THIS MEETING TO THE CAP METRO BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT 3 58.

THANKS EVERYBODY.

SEE YOU AGAIN IN ABOUT 25 DAYS,

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