

**Joint Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory
Council Meeting (BAC PAC) Tuesday, May
16th 2023 – 6:00p.m.
901 SOUTH MOPAC EXPY BLDG 5, STE 300,
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78746**

BAC

Full Members in Attendance Les Case (Chair), Spencer Schumacher (Vice-Chair), Russell Taylor, Christopher Heathcott, Curtis Rogers, Drake Hampton,

Alternate Members in Attendance Lansing Pugh, Sarah Boza, Alejandro de la Vega, Joshua Collier, Nicole Mwei,

Full Members Absent Ruben Sanchez, Ali Sobhani, VACANT

Alternate Members Absent Cynthia Fedor, Beth Donnelly, Jeff Seiden, Faith Reed, Zuzana Baranova

PAC

Full Members in Attendance Kimberly Levinson (Vice-Chair), Daniel Kavelman, Garrett Hall

Alternate Members in Attendance Hayden Black Walker (appointed full member), Priya Patel (appointed full member), Dayna Diven (appointed full member)

Full Members Absent Chris Anderson (Chair), Alexander Flores, Jonathan Gros, Estrella Sainburg, Tetyana Samiliv,

Alternate Members Absent Jolene Holland, Patricia Schaub, Anna McAuley, Aditi Ohri,

Call to Order.

BAC Chair Les Case called the Meeting to Order at 6:00 PM

Public Communication.

Jason Abels addressed the BAC and PAC on creating a cycle to school community in Mueller

I. Local traffic fatalities reported since previous meeting

PAC Vice-Chair Kimberly Levinson read aloud the names of people whose deaths due to traffic crashes on Austin streets were reported since the BAC and PAC last met:

Tuesday April 18, a bicyclist killed in the 1100 block of N Lamar;

Tuesday April 25, unidentified pedestrian killed in the 3000 block of S

FM 973; Saturday May 6, Lucas Aubry Barth, 31, in a single vehicle crash

in the 13200 block of N IH 35.

II. Approval of Last Meetings Minutes

PAC Vice-Chair Kimberly Levinson made a motion to elevate PAC Members Hayden Black Walker, Priya Patel, and Dayna Diven to full memberships for the meeting

BAC Vice-Chair Spencer Schumacher moved to approve the BAC minutes, BAC Member Russell Taylor seconded the motion

Without objection the motion prevailed.

PAC Vice-Chair Kimberly Levinson moved to approve the PAC minutes, PAC Member Priya Patel seconded the motion.

Without objection the motion prevailed.

III. Vision Zero Update

<https://services.austintexas.gov/edims/document.cfm?id=408791>

BAC Chair Les Case recognized Lewis Leff, Austin Transportation and Public Works Department to present

BAC Chair Les Case asked about what the department considers riding in the freeway, Lewis Leff answered that it means someone is riding on general purpose freeway lanes

PAC Member Dayna Diven asked about how Vision Zero calculates per population deaths, Lewis Leff responded by saying they do not break the data down that way because their goal is zero deaths

A community member asked if they had correlated the data with speed limit, Lewis Leff explained they had and they found that higher speeds correlated to more traffic deaths

BAC Chair Les Case asked about missing data in the Vision Zero dataset, Lewis Leff discussed the difficulties of filling in data missing from official crash reports

IV. Transportation and Public Works Department Organizational Structure Recommendation

BAC Chair Les Case recognized BAC Vice Chair Spencer Schumacher to present his draft recommendation.

BAC Vice Chair Spencer Schumacher offered the following amendment:

- Corridor Program Office (formerly a City Department), **to the extent the office has not been encompassed into the Capital Delivery Services Department;**
and
- Project Connect Office (formerly a City Department), **to the extent the office has not been encompassed into the Capital Delivery Services Department.**

The amendment was acceptable to the author and adopted without objection

BAC Vice-Chair Spencer Schumacher moved for a vote, PAC Vice-Chair Kimberly Levinson seconded. The motion prevailed on the following vote:

BAC

In Favor (6) -Les Case (Chair), Spencer Schumacher (Vice-Chair), Russell Taylor, Christopher Heathcott, Curtis Rogers, Drake Hampton,

Against (0) -

Abstain (0) -

PAC

In Favor (5)- Kimberly Levinson (Vice-Chair), Daniel Kavelman, Hayden Black Walker, Priya Patel, Dayna Diven

Against (0) -

Abstain (0) -

The recommendation is passed by the BAC and PAC

V. Bylaw Amendment – Allowing two-year terms for Chair and Vice Chair

BAC Chair Les Case laid out the Bylaw Amendment for the BAC and recognized PAC Vice Chair Kimberly Levinson to lay out the amendment to the PAC bylaws.

BAC Vice-Chair Spencer Schumacher offered the following amendment to the bylaw
Amendment

Strike the following language from Article III, Section I “- or two-”

BAC Vice-Chair Spencer Schumacher moved for a vote on the amendment, BAC Member Russell Taylor seconded. The motion prevailed on the following vote:

BAC

In Favor (6) -Les Case (Chair), Spencer Schumacher (Vice-Chair), Russell Taylor, Christopher Heathcott, Curtis Rogers, Drake Hampton,

Against (0) -
Abstain (0) -

Without objection, the PAC Bylaw Amendment was approved for a final vote at the next meeting of the PAC

Without objection, the BAC Bylaw Amendment, as amended, was approved for a final vote at the next meeting of the BAC

VI. Alternate member appointment for BAC

BAC Chair Les Case nominated BAC Member Alejandro de la Vega to the vacant Full Member position.

BAC Vice-Chair Spencer Schumacher moved to confirm the nomination, BAC Member Christopher Heathcott seconded.

Without objection and by acclimation, BAC Member Alejandro de la Vega was confirmed as a Full Member

VII. Updates and Future Agenda Items

Laura Dierenfield notified the BAC and PAC of the comment period for the North Loop Boulevard Project

BAC Vice Chair Spencer Schumacher requested an update from the Corridor Program Office on the status of projects in TxDOT ROW

BAC Member Alejandro de la Vega requested an update from the City of Austin on Leading Pedestrian Intervals

BAC Chair Les Case requested an update from the City of Austin on signal timing

BAC Chair Les Case noted the membership that the BAC will take up a recommendation regarding group rides from BAC Member Russell Taylor at the next BAC meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

BAC Chair Les Case moved to adjourn, PAC Vice Chair Kimberly Levinson seconded the motion

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM

The minutes were approved at the June 20th BAC Meeting on BAC Vice-Chair Spencer Schumacher motion, and BAC Member Russell Taylor seconded, on a unanimous vote.