



AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION

RECOMMENDATION 20240214-008

Date: February 14, 2024

Subject: Road Safety

Motioned By: Commissioner Fang Fang

Seconded By: Commissioner Jeff Eller

Recommendation:

Department of Aviation staff to coordinate with Austin Police (APD), Fire (AFD) and Emergency Medical Services (EMS); Austin Transportation Public Works (TPW) Department Vision Zero Program; and the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) #EndTheStreak Program and other means to promote pedestrian, bicycle, driver and vehicle safety in and around Austin-Bergstrom International Airport and also in order to keep at least one lane in each direction including airport entrances and exits open under most circumstances.

Description of Recommendation to Council:

Airport Advisory seeks improved safety measures and enhanced communication with APD, AFD, EMS, TPW and TXDOT to avoid future incidents and to manage traffic in order that the roadways in and out of the airport remain safe and operational, especially along SH71 and SH183.

Rationale:

Fatal highway incidents on Northbound 183 (11/14/2022) and on Eastbound SH71 (11/15/2023) resulted in lane closures

Fatal vehicle related incidents on secure airfield side on 4/20/2023 and 10/31/2023

Neighborhoods surrounding airport considered by City of Austin Equity Analysis to be Most or Medium-High Vulnerable City of Austin Transportation and Public Works

Intersection safety project on Bureson Road and SH 183

<https://www.austintexas.gov/department/vision-zero>

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/3a3a426a303c41bab65936eda0d58fde>

City of Austin Transportation and Public Works (TPW) Vision Zero

<https://www.austintexas.gov/department/vision-zero>

State of Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) #EndTheStreak

<https://www.txdot.gov/safety/traffic-safety-campaigns/endthestreaktx.html>

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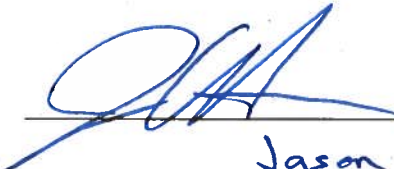
For: Wendy Price Todd (Chair); Bakari Brock (Vice-Chair); Patrick Rose (Secretary); Raymond Young; Jonathan Coon; Chad Ennis; Scott Madole; Fang Fang; Jeff Eller

Against:

Abstain:

Absent: Jeremy Hendricks; Doyle Valdez

Attest: [Staff or board member can sign]

 02/14/24
Jason Alexander
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