

MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

Bicycle Advisory Committee – Teleconference Meeting
200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin TX, Classroom e
January 29, 2016

BAC Committee Members Present and Participating:

Billy Hibbs, Chair	Allison Blazosky
Russ Frank, Vice-chair	Shawn Twing
Karla Weaver	Robert Gonzales
David Steiner	Joseph Pitchford

BAC Committee Members Participating Telephonically:

Allison Kaplan

TxDOT Present and Participating:

Eric Gleason, Director, Public Transportation Division (PTN)
Teri Kaplan, Statewide Bicycle / Pedestrian Coordinator (PTN)
Donna Roberts, Program Services Manager (PTN)
Josh Ribakove, Communications Manager (PTN)
Michael Sledge, Section Director, Creative Services (COM)

Also Present and Participating:

Stephanie Lind, CH2M Hill
Jeff Taebel, Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC / MPO)
Anita Hollmann, Pedestrian and Bicycle Coordinator, City of Houston
Mark Stine, BikeTexas

AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order.

Billy Hibbs called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Safety Briefing.

Josh Ribakove provided a safety briefing at 10:01 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Approval of Minutes from October 27, 2015 Meeting (Action).

Billy Hibbs introduced this item at 10:02 A.M.

MOTION Russ Frank moved to approve the October 27, 2015, meeting minutes.

SECOND Karla Weaver seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 10:03 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Report from BAC Chair.

Billy Hibbs delivered his report beginning at 10:04 A.M. Topics included TxDOT's website for its Bicycle Program and further development of BikeStripe initiatives.

AGENDA ITEM 5: Report from TxDOT's Public Transportation Division Director regarding statewide bicycle and pedestrian matters.

Eric Gleason delivered his report beginning at 10:07 A.M. Topics included the Texas Transportation Commission's Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) approvals.

Billy Hibbs requested an itemized list of approved TAP projects. Eric Gleason agreed and offered to also provide a map showing where those projects are.

Eric Gleason then introduced Michael Sledge, section director in TxDOT's creative services division. Mr. Sledge gave a presentation on TxDOT's draft bicycle program Web page.

Comments: Billy Hibbs, Eric Gleason, Karla Weaver.

Karla Weaver requested that members be offered a link to the draft web page to provide comments to TxDOT regarding the draft web page.

Comment: Shawn Twing.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Presentation and discussion on implementing TxDOT's *Bicycle and Pedestrian Strategic Direction Report*. (Action)

Teri Kaplan began this presentation at 10:21 A.M.

Questions/Comments: Robert Gonzales, Eric Gleason, David Steiner, Allison Blazosky, Karla Weaver, Shawn Twing, Allison Kaplan, Billy Hibbs, Russ Frank, Joseph Pitchford.

No action taken.

AGENDA ITEM 7: Presentation on emerging guidance from FHWA and implementation on BikeStripe-type initiatives. (Action)

Eric Gleason began this presentation at 10:47 A.M.

Questions/Comments: Teri Kaplan, Karla Weaver, Billy Hibbs, Russ Frank, Stephanie Lind, Shawn Twing, David Steiner, Joseph Pitchford, Allison Blazosky.

No action taken.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Presentation on the state of bicycling in Houston, including updates from the City of Houston, METRO Transit, and the MPO (H-GAC).

Russ Frank led this presentation beginning at 11:30 A.M. Other presenters were Jeff Taebel, Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC MPO) and Anita Hollman, Pedestrian and Bicycle Coordinator, City of Houston, TX.

Comment: Billy Hibbs.

AGENDA ITEM 9: Presentation from BikeTexas on Quebec's Route Verte Connectivity Project.

Billy Hibbs introduced presenter Mark Stine of BikeTexas at 12:18 P.M.

Questions/comments: Billy Hibbs, Karla Weaver.

AGENDA ITEM 10: Update from committee members on local and statewide issues.

Billy Hibbs introduced this item at 12:33 P.M.

Contributions from Karla Weaver, Allison Blazosky, Joseph Pitchford, Allison Kaplan.

AGENDA ITEM 11: Public Comment.

There were no public comments.

AGENDA ITEM 12: Discussion of BAC 2016 meeting schedule and agenda items for future BAC meetings; confirm date of next BAC meeting (Action).

Billy Hibbs introduced this item at 12:40 P.M. A consensus on the next meeting date was not reached. Teri Kaplan volunteered to re-poll members to determine future meeting dates and agenda items.

AGENDA ITEM 13: Adjourn (Action).

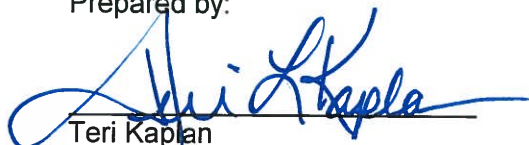
Billy Hibbs opened this item at 12:41 P.M.

MOTION Russ Frank moved to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND Shawn Twing seconded the motion.

The motion passed at 12:42 P.M. Meeting adjourned.

Prepared by:


Teri Kaplan
Public Transportation Division

Approved by:


Billy Hibbs
Chair, Bicycle Advisory Committee