

MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

Bicycle Advisory Committee – Teleconference Meeting
200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin TX, Classroom E
May 1, 2015

BAC Committee Members Present and Participating:

Billy Hibbs, Chair
Russ Frank, Vice-chair
Howard Peak
Margaret Charlesworth
Robert Gonzales
Ann Marie Williamson
Ramiro Gonzalez
David Steiner
Karla Weaver
Jason Fialkoff

BAC Committee Members Participating Telephonically:

Allison Blazosky

Texas Transportation Commission Members Participating Telephonically:

Jeff Austin III, Commissioner

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)
Anita Bradley, Texas Transportation Commission Assistant
Russell Zapalac, Chief Planning/Project Officer

Also Present and Participating:

Genevieve Bales, FHWA
Jesse Blouin, CH2M Hill
Stephanie Lind, CH2M Hill

Also Present:

Marc Williams, TxDOT
Robin Stallings, 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.

Comments by David Steiner and Teri Kaplan

AGENDA ITEM 3: Approval of Minutes from January 26, 2015 Meeting (Action).

Comment by Anne-Marie Williamson, spelling correction.

MOTION Russ Frank moved to approve the January 26, 2015, meeting minutes, subject the spelling correction.

SECOND Margaret Charlesworth seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 10:04 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Report from BAC Chair.

Billy Hibbs reported on the Hub-and-Spoke Tyler Bike Lane Study at 10:04 A.M.

* Commissioner Austin addressed the committee telephonically at 10:10 A.M.

* Agenda Item 4 resumes at 10:17 A.M.

Questions, comments, and discussion among Russ Frank, Anne-Marie Williamson, Robert Gonzalez, Jason Fialkoff, David Steiner, Karla Weaver, and Eric Gleason.

AGENDA ITEM 5: TxDOT's Public Transportation Division Director's report to the BAC regarding statewide bicycle and pedestrian matters.

Eric Gleason began his report at 10:35 A.M. He spoke on topics including the Texas Transportation Commission and the May 4 TAP Call for Projects submission deadline.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Discussion of TxDOT's Texas Guide to Safe Bicycling. (Action)

Teri Kaplan, TxDOT's Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, gave a report on the newly developed Texas Guide to Safe Bicycling and ~~Door~~ handlebar hanger at 10:46 A.M.

Questions and comments from Anita Bradley, Billy Hibbs, Ramiro Gonzalez, Eric Gleason, Howard Peak, Margaret Charlesworth, Karla Weaver, Ramiro Gonzales, Anne-Marie Williamson, and Jason Fialkoff.

MOTION Howard Peak moved to **approve** the *Texas Guide to Safe Bicycling*, subject to a minor correction.

SECOND Russ Frank seconded the motion.

MODIFICATION Margaret Charlesworth modified the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 10:54 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 7: Discussion of issues and priorities for TxDOT's Bicycle and Pedestrian Strategic Direction Report. (Action)

This discussion and brainstorming session, led by Jesse Blouin and Stephanie Lind of CH2M, began at 10:55 A.M.

Questions and comments from Alison Blazosky, Jason Fialkoff, Robert Gonzalez, David Steiner, Russ Frank, Billy Hibbs, Anne-Marie Williamson, Margaret Charlesworth, Howard Peak, Karla Weaver, and Ramiro Gonzales.

Public Comment on Agenda Item 7 from Robin Stallings of BikeTexas at 11:44 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Update from committee members on local and statewide issues.

Discussion of this item, led by Billy Hibbs, began at 11:48 A.M. Each committee member was given an opportunity to discuss issues in their region.

Comments from Jason Fialkoff, Robert Gonzalez, David Steiner, Russ Frank, Billy Hibbs, Anne-Marie Williamson, Margaret Charlesworth, Howard Peak, Karla Weaver, and Ramiro Gonzales.

AGENDA ITEM 9: Public Comment.

Robin Stallings of BikeTexas commented regarding TAP funding in Texas at 12:12 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM 10: Discussion of BAC 2015 meeting schedule and agenda items for future BAC meetings; confirm date of next BAC meeting (Action).

Discussion of this item, led by Teri Kaplan, began at 12:16 P.M. The date of the next meeting and agenda items to be determined via email.

AGENDA ITEM 11: Adjourn

MOTION Robert Gonzalez moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:19 P.M.

SECOND David Steiner seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 12:19 P.M.

Prepared by:


Josh Ribakove
Public Transportation Division

Approved by:


Billy Hibbs
Chair, Bicycle Advisory Committee