

MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

Bicycle Advisory Committee – Teleconference Meeting
200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin TX 78704 – Classroom A
January 17, 2020

BAC Committee Members Present and Participating:

In-Person:

Karla Weaver, *Dallas/Fort Worth, Chair*
David Ham, *Midland*
Eva Garcia, *Brownsville*
Frank Rotnofsky, *Laredo*
Jeffrey Pollack, *Corpus Christi*
Mike Schofield, *Austin*
Rick Ogan, *San Angelo*
Trent Brookshire, *Tyler*

Via telephone:

Robert Gonzales, *El Paso, Vice Chair*

TxDOT Present and Participating:

Marc Williams, Deputy Executive Director, TxDOT (ADM)
Eric Gleason, Director, Public Transportation Division (PTN)
Donna Roberts, Program Services Section Director (PTN)
Bonnie Sherman, Statewide Bicycle / Pedestrian Coordinator (PTN)
Noah Heath, Statewide Bicycle / Pedestrian Planner (PTN)

Also Present and/or Participating:

Carl Seifert, Jacobs Engineering Group
Shawn Turner, Texas A&M Transportation Institute

AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order.

Karla Weaver calls the meeting to order at 9:32 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Safety Briefing.

Bonnie Sherman provided a safety briefing beginning at 9:34 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Approval of minutes from October 11, 2019, BAC meeting.

Karla Weaver introduced this item at 9:35 A.M.

MOTION Eva Garcia moved to approve the October 11, 2019 BAC meeting minutes.

SECOND Rick Ogan seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 9:35 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Report from TxDOT's Public Transportation Division Director regarding statewide bicycle/pedestrian matters.

Eric Gleason delivered the Director's report beginning at 9:36 A.M.

Eric Gleason announced the resignation of Shawn Twing from the committee, and explained the options to fill the vacancy. Eric also shared the 2019 Bicycle Friendly State Report Card for Texas published by the League of American Bicyclist Bicycle, which generated discussion.

Comments: Eric Gleason, Karla Weaver, Eva Garcia, Trent Brookshire, Jeff Pollack, and Frank Rotnofsky

AGENDA ITEM 6: Discussion on Texas Transportation Commission charge to review and make recommendations on expanding the charge of the BAC to address a wider range of related transportation service options, including pedestrian options and person mobility devices. (Action)

Chair Weaver asked to switch Agenda Items 6 and 5 due to Deputy Executive Director William's limited time 9:50 A.M.

Noah Heath presented the item at 9:50 A.M.

The presentation generated discussion amongst BAC members about possible expansion of scope for the committee.

No action was taken at this time.

Questions/Comments: Eva Garcia, Karla Weaver, Robert Gonzales, Rick Ogan, Mike Schofield, David Ham, Frank Rotnofsky, Jeff Pollack, Donna Roberts, Marc Williams, and Noah Heath.

AGENDA ITEM 5: Update on Bikeway Design Effort – Phase I implementation and Phase II approach. (Action)

Bonnie Sherman presented this item at 10:55 A.M.

MOTION Eva Garcia motioned to acknowledge and endorse Phase I implementation and Phase II approach. (Action)

SECOND Frank Rotnofsky seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 11:12 A.M.

Questions/Comments: Karla Weaver, Eric Gleason, and Bonnie Sherman.

AGENDA ITEM 7: Presentation on TxDOT activities for bicyclist and pedestrian counting.

Shawn Turner presented the item at 11:13 A.M.

Questions/Comments: Eva Garcia, Shawn Turner, Bonnie Sherman, and Karla Weaver.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Presentation on Federal Highway Administration peer exchange for bicycle/pedestrian count technology pilot.

Karla Weaver presented the item at 11:27

No Comments.

AGENDA ITEM 9: Update from committee members on local and statewide issues.

Karla Weaver introduced this item at 11:40 A.M.

Reports from BAC Members including: Jeff Pollack, Frank Rotnofsky, Trent Brookshire, Eva Garcia, David Ham, Rick Ogan, Mike Schofield, and Karla Weaver.

AGENDA ITEM 10: Public comment – public comments will only be accepted in person.

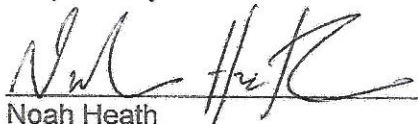
Karla Weaver introduced Robin Stallings, BikeTexas, at 12:00 P.M. Mr. Stallings commented on Agenda Item 5.

Karla Weaver introduced Curtis Rogers, Austin Bicycle Advisory Council, at 12:05 P.M. Mr. Rodgers commented on Agenda Item 5.

AGENDA ITEM 11: Adjourn. (Action)

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

Prepared by:


Noah Heath

Public Transportation Division

Approved by:



Karla Weaver
Chair, Bicycle Advisory Committee