TEXAS FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Texas Department of Transportation
Greer Building
125 E. 11th St.
Austin, TX 78701

March 9, 2017
8:00 a.m. - 3 p.m.
8:00 - 8:30 A.M. REGISTRATION AND COFFEE

8:30 - 8:45 A.M. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Hon. Ed Emmett
Judge, Harris County
Chair, Texas Freight Advisory Committee

Victor T. Vandergriff
Texas Transportation Commission

8:45 - 9:00 A.M. RECAP DEC. 13 MEETING AND SUMMARY OF TODAY’S AGENDA AND MEETING OBJECTIVES

Caroline Mays
TxDOT

Summary of December meeting and discussion of what we plan to accomplish at this meeting.

9:00 - 9:15 A.M. OVERVIEW OF ROUND 1 STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH

Paula Dowell
Cambridge Systematics

Provide summary and highlights of Round 1 stakeholder workshops and next steps.

9:15 - 10:30 A.M. FREIGHT PLAN CORRIDOR DESIGNATION

Paula Dowell
Cambridge Systematics

Discuss corridor designation process and prioritization.

- Critical Rural Freight Corridors
- Critical Urban Freight Corridors

10:30 - 10:45 A.M. BREAK

10:45 A.M. - NOON REVISIT/RE-EVALUATE TEXAS FREIGHT NETWORK; RE-EVALUATE AND REFINE TRENDS, CHALLENGES AND NEEDS

Paula Dowell
Cambridge Systematics

Review and refine freight trends, challenges and needs in current freight plan.

- Trends, Challenges and Needs
- Strengths and Weaknesses
NOON - 1:15 P.M. WORKING LUNCH SPEAKER

Steve Boyd
Co-founder and Vice President
Peloton Technology, External Affairs

Boyd is co-founder and VP of External Affairs for Peloton Technology, a Silicon Valley–based connected and automated vehicle technology company that brings innovations in safety and efficiency to the freight transportation industry. In this role, he leads public affairs and marketing for Peloton. For the last decade, Boyd has worked with leading-edge transportation and energy enterprises and advocated for policy change and market innovation to accelerate progress in these sectors. Previously he has served as an assistant press secretary in the White House and a producer at PBS NewsHour, and he has held leadership roles with technology companies, national political campaigns, federal agencies and public policy initiatives. Boyd holds an environmental science degree from Pennsylvania State University with minors in economics and political science, and he studied international business at the University of Manchester (UK).

Provide an overview of truck platooning initiative.

1:15 - 2:00 P.M. REVIEW/RE-EVALUATE FREIGHT PLAN GOALS AND POLICIES

Paula Dowell
Cambridge Systematics

Re-evaluate and refine existing freight plan goals and policies.

- Goals
- Policies

2:00 - 2:30 P.M. FAST ACT FREIGHT FORMULA FUND PROJECTS

Kale Driemeier
TxDOT

Discuss projects to be submitted for the 2017 freight formula funds.

2:30 - 3:00 P.M. OPEN DISCUSSION

Hon. Ed Emmett
Judge, Harris County
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3:00 P.M. ADJOURN

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- May 11, 2017, Austin, Texas
- July 2017, TBD
- September 2017, TBD
- November 2017, TBD
FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Senator Sylvia R. Garcia – Texas State Senate, District 6
Representative Armando “Mando” Martinez – Texas House Member, District 39
Representative Sergio Muñoz Jr. – Texas House Member, District 36
Representative Poncho Nevárez – Texas House Member, District 74
Erin Ford – Retired Houston County Judge
Gerry Schwebel – IBC Bank
Mayor Pete Saenz – City of Laredo