



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Wednesday, December 11, 2019

5:00 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd  
Room 215, Madison Municipal Building

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### A. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

**Present:** 10 - Michael J. Tierney; Grant Foster; Christopher T. McCahill; Ann E. Kovich; Jessica S. Piatt; William F. Bremer; Kenneth M. Streit; Anjali Bhasin; Brigit E. Brown and Harald Kliems

**Excused:** 1 - Carl D. DuRocher

### B. New Commission Member Introduction

Kovich informed the Commission that the Dunning/Jackson/Lafollette section of the City Engineering 2020 Projects and the University Avenue Project will be postponed to the January 8, 2020 meeting due to a need for more time for design and plan revisions.

### C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bremer moved to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2019 meeting, seconded by Piatt. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.

### D. PUBLIC COMMENT ON TOPICS NOT ON THIS AGENDA

None

### E. DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

### F. NEW BUSINESS

#### F.1. [58349](#)

Authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into an agreement with Dane County to provide \$19,300 in assistance to Metro Transit for transit information services, promotion efforts, and operations for calendar year 2020, and \$5,000 to the Madison Area Transportation Planning Board (a Metropolitan Planning Organization) to support the County Specialized Transportation activities for the calendar year 2020.

Mick Rusch of Metro Transit provided verbal reports on the agreement with Dane County and was available for questions. Foster moved to **RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER**, seconded by Streit. With no

further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.

- F.2. [58351](#) Authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into a Monumental Signage Use (Lease) Agreement with Washington Gilman, LP and Mullins Family, LLP beginning in November 2019 and continuing month-to-month unless either party cancels the agreement with at least 30 days notice.

**Mick Rusch of Metro provided verbal reports on the lease agreement and was available for questions. Streit moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Bremer. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.**

## G. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- G.1. [58579](#) City Engineering 2020 Projects Review and Feedback: Second Installment

**Jim Wolfe with City Engineering provided verbal reports on the Bikeways 2020 and Brooks Street projects and was available for questions.**

- G.2. [53854](#) Blair Street Project (20 min)

**Jim Wolfe with City Engineering provided verbal reports on the Blair Street Project and, along with Drew Beck of Metro, was available for questions.**

- G.3. [58619](#) Cannonball Path Extension Options

**Jim Wolfe of City Engineering provided verbal reports on the Cannonball Path Extension Options and, along with Renee Callaway of Traffic Engineering, was available for questions.**

- G.4. [58643](#) University Avenue Project Update

**Streit moved to refer this item to the January 8, 2020 TC meeting, seconded by Foster. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.**

- G.5. [58581](#) Traffic Signal Priority List Review & Recommendations

**Jerry Schippa and Brian Smith of Traffic Engineering provided verbal reports on the list and, along with Drew Beck of Metro, were available for questions.**

**Brown arrives 6:27 p.m.**

**Registrant as follows: Support, available to answer questions: Catherine Grothe, Madison and the High Crossing Neighborhood Association.**

**Traffic Engineering recommends for detailed study: High Crossing & Cross Hill; Heartland & Old Sauk; Junction & driveway at Target; Broadway & Collins & Dutch Mill; Old Middleton & Rosa.**

**Streit moved to approve the Staff recommendations, seconded by Brown. After much discussion, Foster moved to amend the motion to include Sixth & Packers, and Main & Proudfit, seconded by Kliems. Bremer proposed adding Aberg & Packers northbound ramp. The final motion, as agreed by the Commission, is to approve the Staff recommendations with the addition of**

Sixth & Packers, Main & Proudfit, and Aberg & Packers northbound ramp. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.

- G.6. [58189](#) Feasibility of changes to attendants at agenda setting meetings

Kovich provided background information on the current agenda setting process. The Commissioners provided much discussion on finding ways to make meetings more efficient and productive.

Bhasin leaves at 7:50 p.m.

- G.7. [52830](#) Members of TC and TPPB update on TPPB

Recommended WISDOT hold off on Beltline shoulder expansion  
Increase meeting frequency to twice per month  
Complete Streets  
Downtown BRT Routing

## H. Announcements and future Agenda Items

### H.1. General Announcements by the Chair

There will be a 1/8/20 TC Meeting  
Commissioners must provide Statement of Interests forms

### H.2. Commission member suggestions for items on future agendas

Metro Quarterly Report  
City Engineering 2020 Projects  
University Avenue Project Update  
2018 Crash Report and 2017 Crash Report Analysis

Brown informed that the State of Wisconsin went from #2 to #29 in Bike Friendly States ranking in 2019 though Yang Tao stated that the City of Madison, UW-Madison and some surrounding communities have been successful in their application for Bike Friendly Cities. The City and the University have been awarded Platinum Status.

- [56179](#) Transportation Commission Work Plan

## ADJOURNMENT

Piatt moved to adjourn, seconded by McCahill. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

## INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS (most recent meeting minutes electronically attached, if available)

- [07828](#) Transportation Policy and Planning Board (TPPB)  
Madison Area Transportation Planning Board (TPB)  
Dane County's Specialized Transportation Commission (STC)

Downtown Coordinating Committee (DCC)  
Joint Campus Area Committee (JCAC)