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Meeting Minutes - Approved TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

5:00 PM

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Call to Order/Roll Call

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

Present: 10 - Will Ochowicz; Sean O'Brien; Dina Nina Martinez-Rutherford; Barbara Harrington-McKinney; Ann E. Kovich; Robbie Webber; William F. Bremer; Christopher T. McCahill; Cailey A. Jamison and Lynn A. Olson

Excused: 3 - Denise N. Jess; Jose Miguel (Pepe) Barros Hoffens and Harald Kliems

Approval of Minutes

McCahill moved to approve the minutes of the January 7 meeting, seconded by Martinez-Rutherford. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Public Comment

1. [91567](#) Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda for the January 21, 2026 Meeting
None

Disclosures and Recusals

Webber disclosed that they are on the Board of Directors for Madison Bikes and is also on one of the advisory committees for the Beltline project.

Ochowicz disclosed that they are one of the Leads for Madison is for People who signed a letter regarding the Beltline expansion.

Consent Agenda

Bremer moved to approve ITEM 2, seconded by Martinez-Rutherford. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Items to be Considered

- 2.* [91407](#) Approving revised roadway geometry for the construction of S High Point Rd from Mid Point Meadows Plat to Raymond Rd. (District 1, District 7)
Bremer moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Martinez-Rutherford. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
3. [91530](#) Opposing the Expansion of the Beltline (US 12/14/18/151) Within the City of Madison and Supporting Improved Multimodal and Local Connectivity Across and Along the Corridor (District 1, District 9, District 10, District 11, District 14, District 16, District 19, District 20)
Director of Transportation Christof Spieler provided verbal reports and was available for questions. Alder Figueroa Cole provided comments.
Registrants as follows: Support, wish to speak; Nicholas Davies, West Wilson St; Support, does not wish to speak; Calvin Fisher, Rutledge St; John Herath, University Ave; Josh Stirling, Division St; Nick Smith, Hoard St
O'Brien moved an amendment to recommend adding the following language to the resolution: "WHEREAS, expansion of the Beltline would directly impact multiple parks and green spaces, including Odana Hills Park, Odana Hills Golf Course, the University of Wisconsin Arboretum, Capital Springs State Recreation Area, and the Lewis Nine Springs E-Way, which are valuable habitats for wildlife, well-used recreation spaces, and treasured parts of the community; and"; seconded by Ochowicz. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
McCahill moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL WITH THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS - REPORT OF OFFICER: (recommend approval of the resolution as amended), seconded by Martinez-Rutherford. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

4. [91568](#) Metro Bus Stop Changes
- Capital Projects Manager Mike Cechvala with Metro Transit provided verbal reports and was available for questions.**
- Registrants as follows: Support, does not wish to speak; Carl Schroedl, Drake St**
- Bremer moved to approve the bus stop changes, seconded by Ochowicz. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**
5. [52830](#) Members of the Transportation Commission who are also members of other transportation-related Boards, Committees or Commissions provide relevant updates from those Boards, Committees or Commissions.
- None**
6. [60440](#) General announcements by the Chair (for information only; not for discussion)
- None**
7. [60439](#) Commission member suggestions for items on future agenda (for information only; not for discussion)
- Kovich provided verbal updates on some of the upcoming items. Please see the attachment in Legistar for other upcoming future agenda items.**

Adjournment

Martinez-Rutherford moved to adjourn, seconded by O'Brien. The meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.