



# City of Madison

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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?*

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Wednesday, February 28, 2024

5:00 PM

Virtual

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. Govindarajan arrived at 5:10 p.m. and Kleims arrived at 5:11 p.m. Martinez-Rutherford left at 6:07 p.m. and Harrington-McKinney left at 6:22 p.m.

**Present:** 10 - Juliana R. Bennett; MGR Govindarajan; Dina Nina Martinez-Rutherford; Barbara Harrington-McKinney; Ann E. Kovich; Robbie Webber; Denise N. Jess; Jose Miguel (Pepe) Barros Hoffens; Darrin S. Wasniewski and Harald Kliems

**Excused:** 3 - Christopher T. McCahill; Nicki Vander Meulen and William F. Bremer

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jess moved to approve the minutes of the January 31 meeting, seconded by Martinez-Rutherford. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [82193](#) Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda for the February 28, 2024 Meeting  
None

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

### CONSENT AGENDA

Martinez-Rutherford moved to Approve ITEMS 2 - 7, seconded by Wasniewski. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

### ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

- 2.\* [81956](#) Recognizing fundraising for the purpose of funding the new Metro Transit Bus Rodeo will serve City purposes, be conducted by City staff, and will comply with the City's ethics code.  
  
Martinez-Rutherford moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Wasniewski. The motion passed by voice

vote/other.

- 3.\* [81967](#) Entering into an agreement with Dane County for the installation, maintenance, and operation of a signal at the BRT West Terminal on Junction Rd (District 1).  
**Martinez-Rutherford moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Wasniewski. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- 4.\* [81968](#) Authorizing the Traffic Engineering Division to accept a federal grant for \$88,500 to maintain and expand a safety education program and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into the grant contracts and State/Municipal Agreements with Wisconsin Department of Transportation.  
**Martinez-Rutherford moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Wasniewski. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- 5.\* [81969](#) Approving State / Municipal Agreement for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Project I.D. 5992-10-42/43 for Capital City Path Extension and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute this agreement with the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation for construction cost sharing and State design review costs. (District 16)  
**Martinez-Rutherford moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Wasniewski. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- 6.\* [81970](#) SUBSTITUTE - Approving State / Municipal Agreement for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Project I.D. 5992-10-44/45 for West Towne Path Extension from S High Point to Zor Shrine Pl and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute this agreement with the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation for construction cost sharing and State design review costs. (District 9)  
**Martinez-Rutherford moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Wasniewski. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- 7.\* [81983](#) Vacating and discontinuing multiple unimproved public street right-of-ways within the plat of Village at Autumn Lake Replat to allow the replatting of a portion the development. Being located in parts of both the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 and Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 26, Township 8 North, Range 10 East, City of Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin. (District 17)  
**Martinez-Rutherford moved to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Common Council to Adopt, seconded by Wasniewski. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**
8. [82194](#) E-Bike Speeds and Speed Policy on Shared Use Paths  
**Ped/Bike Administrator Renee Callaway with Traffic Engineering provided verbal reports and, along with Ped/Bike Outreach Specialist Colleen Hayes,**

Director of Traffic Engineering Yang Tao, and Director of Transportation Tom Lynch, was available for questions. Alder Figueroa Cole and Alder Tishler made comments.

Registrants as follows: Neither support nor oppose, wish to speak; Taylor Kokinos, Busse St; Tom Wilson, Clark Ct  
Oppose, wish to speak; Bryan Dean, Lindbergh St  
Support, available for questions; Garret Olsen, Fond Du Lac Trl  
Oppose, does not wish to speak; Jacob Moskowitz, Holly Ave

9. [82195](#) Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) Review
- Assistant City Engineer Chris Petykowski provided verbal reports and, along with Engineer Lesley Parker with Engineering, Engineer Jose Navarro with Traffic Engineering, Yang Tao, and Tom Lynch, was available for questions.
10. [80985](#) Update from Transportation Commission Appeal Subcommittee Hearing Related to a Taxicab License Denial
- Kovich provided verbal updates about the Transportation Commission Appeal subcommittee meeting that met on 2/21. The subcommittee was comprised of Ann Kovich, Denise Jess and Darrin Wasniewski. Jamie Webster appealed the denial of their taxi-cab license. There were rather serious pending charge open-case and a related charge against the applicant so the subcommittee voted unanimously to uphold the denial of the permit at this time, as the ordinance made it clear that pending charges need to be taken into account. The subcommittee did encourage the applicant to reapply for the permit if the pending charges were resolved with no convictions.
11. [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.
- Kliems update on BPW:**
- Rutledge St project that had our somewhat complicated discussion at TC had another complicated and long discussion at BPW, but there was a decision made at the end.
  - Approved the plans and specs for a very long list of Safe Streets Madison projects that was approved at TC a while ago
  - The Mineral Point widened sidewalk was awarded for construction
12. [60440](#) General announcements by the Chair (for information only; not for discussion)
- Kovich provided verbal updates about upcoming meetings (3/13, 3/27, 4/24).
13. [60439](#) Commission member suggestions for items on future agenda (for information only; not for discussion)
- Ann mentioned some of the following tentative items for the next TC meeting on 3/13:
- Security Services Contract with Star Protection and Patrol
  - Public hearing at 6:00 pm regarding Metro Transit's Fare Tariff Updates, followed by discussion, deliberation and vote
  - 2023 Year-end Traffic Safety Report

Webber mentioned an item regarding discussion of requiring TDM for businesses that rent in City garages.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Wasniewski moved to adjourn, seconded by Webber. The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.