City of Madison

City of Madison
Madison, WI 53703
www.cityofmadison.com

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, September 16, 2026 **5:00 PM** **Virtual**

The City of Madison is holding the Transportation Commission meeting in virtual format.

Written Comments: You can send comments on agenda items to TransportationCommission@cityofmadison.com

Register for Public Comment:

- **Register to speak at the meeting**
- **Register to answer questions**
- **Register in support or opposition of an agenda item (without speaking)**

If you want to speak at this meeting you must register. You can register at https://www.cityofmadison.com/MeetingRegistration. When you register to speak, you will be sent an email with the information you will need to join the virtual meeting.

Watch the Meeting: If you would like to join the meeting as an observer, please visit https://www.cityofmadison.com/watchmeetings.

Listen by Phone: (877) 853-5257 (Toll Free) Webinar ID: 814 4890 6615

Interpretation and Accessibility

Call to Order/Roll Call

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

Present: 7 - Will Ochowicz; Derek Field; Barbara Harrington-McKinney; Ann E. Kovich; Robbie Webber; Denise N. Jess and Lynn A. Olson

Excused: 5 - Sean O'Brien; Jose Miguel (Pepe) Barros Hoffens; William F. Bremer; Christopher T. McCahill and Harald Kliems

Approval of Minutes

Ochowicz moved to approve the minutes of the August 26 meeting, seconded by Harrington-McKinney. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Public Comment

1. 94753 Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda for the September 16, 2026 Meeting

None

Disclosures and Recusals

None

Consent Agenda

Field moved to approve ITEMS 2 - 6, seconded by Webber. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Items to be Considered

2.* 94569 Authorizing the Traffic Engineering Division to accept a federal grant for $96,648 to maintain 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. (Citywide)

Ochowicz moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Harrington-McKinney. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

3.* 94307 Authorizing a non-competitive service contract with ParkMobile, LLC for additional application-based meter payment services.

Ochowicz moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Harrington-McKinney. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

4.* 94607 Authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) to accept $35,000 for passenger rail modeling work and amending the Transportation Department's 2026 Capital Budget (Citywide).

Ochowicz moved to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval, seconded by Harrington-McKinney. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

5.* 94608 Authorizing the Negotiation and Execution of a Three-Party Contract with Walker Consultants, Inc. and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for Curb Management Planning Services (Citywide).

Ochowicz moved to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval, seconded by Harrington-McKinney. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

6.* 94754 Approve Metro Transit Facilities Planning and Design Manual

Ochowicz moved to Approve, seconded by Harrington-McKinney. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

7. 94570 Adopting the City of Madison Pedestrian Plan (Citywide).

Ped/Bike Administrator Kevin Luecke with Traffic Engineering provided verbal reports and, along with Director of Traffic Engineering Yang Tao, was available for questions.

Registrants as follows: Support, wish to speak; Tara Dary, Milwaukee St; Paul Quinn, W Dayton St;

Jess moved to table item 7 until after the public hearing (item 9) scheduled for 6:00pm finishes, seconded by Ochowicz. After the public hearing, Ochowicz moved to take item 7 from the table and return to it, seconded by Jess. The motions passed by voice vote/other.

Ochowicz moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL WITH THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS - REPORT OF OFFICER: Approval of the Pedestrian Plan adding land use as an action which further supports the goals of the Pedestrian Plan, seconded by Webber. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

8. 94574 Adopting the City of Madison Safe Routes to School Strategic Plan (Citywide).

Kevin Luecke provided verbal reports and was available for questions.

Harrington-McKinney moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Field. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

9. 94755 Metro Transit Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. - Title VI program update

Planning Manager Connor Mountford with Metro Transit provided verbal reports and, along with Metro Transit General Manager Jamie Acton, was available for questions.

Ochowicz moved to approve the Title VI Program Update, including the proposed Major Service Change Policy Update, with a threshold of 8% for the Disparate Impact and Disproportionate Burden Policy Updates, seconded by Jess. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

10. 94756 Public Works Transportation Projects Review and Feedback - Old Middleton Road Underpass

Engineer Grecia Izquierdo-Torres and Assistant City Engineer Chris Petykowski provided verbal reports and were available for questions.

Field moved to recommend Option A, seconded by Ochowicz. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

11. 94757 Public Works Transportation Projects Review and Feedback - East Rusk Path

Civil Engineer Reid Stiteley provided verbal reports and was available for questions.

12. 94758 Appoint Transportation Commission representative to the Joint Campus Area Committee

Kovich provided verbal reports and was available for questions.

Ochowicz moved to appoint Robbie Webber as our TC representative to JCAC, seconded by Field. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

13. 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.

Field shared PC updates:
-At the upcoming 9/29 PC special policy meeting there will be several items including an update on staff policy research for a data center zoning regulatory framework. The City has a moratorium currently on any data center greater than 10,000ft that expires in January.

14. 60440 General announcements by the Chair (for information only; not for discussion)

Kovich shared that at the 9/8 CC meeting, Jess, Webber and Kovich were all re-appointed for 3 more years on TC. There is still one vacancy on TC currently.

15. 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

Field moved to adjourn, seconded by Webber. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.