



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Wednesday, June 24, 2020

5:00 PM

Virtual meeting

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

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

**Present:** 7 - Grant Foster; Christopher T. McCahill; Ann E. Kovich; William F. Bremer;  
Kenneth M. Streit; Brigit E. Brown and Harald Kliems

**Excused:** 2 - Michael J. Tierney and Jessica S. Piatt

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

McCahill moved to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2020 meeting, seconded by Brown. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.

### PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA

1. [60429](#) Public Comment for Items not on this Agenda

Hartmeyer Natural Area  
Reconsider speed humps on Meadowlark Drive

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

### Discussion regarding Transportation Commission Procedural Rules on Debate

Kovich asked for input on improving efficiency and participation for meetings.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Items 2-4,6, and 8-11 were adopted as part of the consent agenda.

### ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

2. [60320](#) ~~SUBSTITUTE~~-Amending to 2020 Adopted Operating Budget to appropriate ~~\$275,000~~ ~~\$240,000~~ from Metro fund balance for supplies in order to authorize the ~~Interim~~ Transit General Manager to exercise RFB 8400-0-2015 option under 2.6 (d) to, upon termination of the agreement under 2.6 (a), purchase all tires furnished by the Contractor, which shall include fully legible copies of all use and maintenance records pertaining thereto, by paying for the mileage remaining on the tires at the lease rate then in effect between the Parties.

**Streit moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Bremer. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

3. [60641](#) Authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into an agreement with the University of Wisconsin - Madison for the continuation of provision of access by its employees to Metro Transit fixed route and ADA paratransit services, with reimbursement to the transit utility for rides by UW and UW Hospital employees and members of affiliate groups as designated by UW Transportation Services for academic years 2020 - 2021, 2021 - 2022, and 2022 - 2023 with two one-year automatic renewals, if not terminated, for academic years 2023 - 2024 and 2024 - 2025.  
**Streit moved to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the FINANCE COMMITTEE, seconded by Bremer. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**
4. [60924](#) Approving the Proposed Vision Zero 2020 Project List  
**Streit moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Bremer. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**
5. [60922](#) Adopting and endorsing a Vision Zero policy to eliminate fatalities and serious injuries that are a result of crashes on streets and paths within the City of Madison by 2030.  
**City Traffic Engineer Yang Tao along with Assistant City Traffic Engineer Mark Winter, Ped/Bike Administrator Renee Callaway and Engineer Alexandra Heinritz of Traffic Engineering, was available for questions. Streit moved to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval, seconded by Bremer. After much discussion, Kliems moved to amend the motion to Return to Lead with the Following Recommendation(s): to acknowledge the potential harm that traffic enforcement can bring to people of color and the disproportionate harm their communities may experience as a result of traffic violence; and that staff is directed to work with the Transportation Policy and Planning Board when developing an action plan, seconded by Foster. With no further discussion, the motion, as amended, passed by voice vote/other.**
6. [61006](#) Ratify any actions taken by the Parking Division during the COVID-19 emergency since the last TC Meeting  
**Streit moved to approve, seconded by Bremer. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**
7. [61005](#) Approval of the Parking Division Recovery Plan  
**Engineer Bill Putnam with the Parking Division, Assistant City Attorney John Strange, Transportation Director Tom Lynch, and Mark Winter of Traffic Engineering were available for questions. McCahill moved to approve, seconded by Streit. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.**
8. [61007](#) Approval of Metro Transit's Summer Youth Passes and Resumption of Fare Collection

**Streit moved to approve, seconded by Bremer. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

9. [61008](#) Approval of Metro Transit's Federally Mandated Safety Plan per the New Federal Guidelines

**Streit moved to approve, seconded by Bremer. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

10. [60180](#) Temporary Approval of additional Personal Delivery Device (PDD) routes in Aldermanic District 8 for COVID-19 response

**Streit moved to approve, seconded by Bremer. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

11. [61009](#) Approval of deferral of the review and approval of the TC Special Rules and the TC Annual Work Plan from June to the July 22, 2020 TC meeting

**Streit moved to approve, seconded by Bremer. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

12. [61010](#) Transportation and Infrastructure recovery team update

**Chris Petykowski with City Engineering provided verbal updates and was available for questions.**

13. [60869](#) Approving roadway geometry for the construction of Cedar Street (Fish Hatchery to South Park Street), construction of South Park Street improvements, realignment of the Cedar Street and Beld Street intersection, the reconstruction of South Street (West Wingra Drive to Midland Street) and High Street (cul-de-sac to Midland Street), and the resurfacing of West Wingra Drive (Fish Hatchery Road to South Street). (13th AD)

**Streit moved to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval, seconded by Kliems. After much discussion, the motion failed by the following roll call vote:**

**Ayes: 2 - William F. Bremer and Kenneth M. Streit**

**Noes: 4 - Christopher T. McCahill, Harald Kliems, Brigit E. Brown, and Grant Foster**

**Bremer then moved to Return to Lead with the Following Recommendation(s): to eliminate the left turn from Southbound Park Street onto Cedar Street, but the motion failed for lack of a second.**

**After much discussion, McCahill moved to Return to Lead with the following Recommendation(s): To approve the geometry west of Park Street, and the new Beld Street realignment, and the the geometry east of Beld Street with priority to bike lanes over parking, seconded by Streit. Foster offered an amendment to recommend that there are buffered bike lanes on Cedar Street rather than parking, seconded by Bremer. With no further discussion, the motion, as amended, was approved by voice vote/other.**

14. [61011](#) Blair Street Geometrics Presentation

**Jim Wolfe with City Engineering provided verbal reports and was available for questions. Foster moved to recommend that Option 2 be pursued, seconded by Kliems. With no further discussion, the recommendation was approved.**

15. [60349](#) Approving a Certified Survey Map of property owned by Steward Properties, LLC and the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation located at 4002 E Washington Avenue and 1821 Parkside Drive; 17th Ald. Dist.
- Foster moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, with the added condition that the space needed for the BRT station is dedicated as part of the vacation process, seconded by Bremer. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.**
16. [61012](#) Approval of Bus Lane Conversions (Eastbound on Johnson St from Orchard St to Frances St and Westbound on E Washington Av from STH 30 to Seventh St)
- Dave Trowbridge, Principal Planner with City Transportation, provided verbal reports and, along with Transportation Planner Mike Cechvala, was available for questions. Foster moved to approve, seconded by Streit. With no further approval, the motion passed by voice vote/other.**
17. [61013](#) Approval of the Metro Transit Illustrative Service Restoration Map for August 2020
- Metro General Manager Justin Stuehrenberg provided verbal reports and, along with Mike Cechvala, was available for questions. Streit moved to approve the proposed priorities as to where Metro is restoring service in August as delineated in the illustrative map; with an equity analysis completed prior to bringing additional detail back in July for approval; with the recommendation that there be robust communication as to why there is no public hearing process at this time; and that Metro bring back benchmarks to the TC as to when additional service may be restored in stages, seconded by Bremer. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.**
18. [61014](#) Update on the use of Metro Transit buses to transport City of Madison Police during a declared emergency
- Justin Stuehrenberg provided verbal updates and, along with Assistant City Attorney John Strange, was available for questions.**
19. [60440](#) General announcements by the Chair (for information only; not for discussion)
- Inquire on the possibility of a second July meeting  
Jessica Piatt is not asking to be reappointed but may be available for 90 days or until replaced  
Joint TC/TPPB Traffic Calming Subcommittee can be scheduled**
20. [60439](#) Commission member suggestions for items on future agenda (for information only; not for discussion)
- Reconsideration of speed humps on Meadowlark Drive**

[56179](#) Transportation Commission Work Plan

[58750](#) Tentative Agenda Items for next TC Meeting  
(for information only; not for discussion)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Kliems moved to adjourn, seconded by Streit. The meeting adjourned at 9:08 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)