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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, July 22, 2020

5:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Agenda Amended to add ITEM 13

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

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

Present: 9 - Michael J. Tierney; Grant Foster; Christopher T. McCahill; Ann E. Kovich; Jessica S. Piatt; William F. Bremer; Kenneth M. Streit; Brigit E. Brown and Harald Kliems

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bremer moved to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2020 meeting, seconded by McCahill. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA

1. [61399](#) Public Comment for Items not on the T.C. July 22, 2020 Agenda
Blind Corner at 4506 Buckeye Road

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

COMMISSION BUSINESS

2. [61401](#) Approval of Transportation Commission Resolution 20.54 thanking Natalie Erdman for her service as Interim Transit General Manager.
Transit Marketing & Customer Service Manager Mick Rusch read the resolution. Natalie Erdman arrived after this, but, once she arrived, spoke on her gratitude and appreciation for the opportunity to work with the Transportation team. Streit moved to approve, seconded by Piatt. With comments of appreciation, the motion passed by voice vote/other.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Selection of Chair

Foster moved to select Kovich as Chair, seconded by Kliems. As there were no other nominations, Streit moved to close nominations and select Kovich as Chair, seconded by Bremer. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Selection of Vice-Chair

Bremer moved to select Streit as Vice-Chair, seconded by Brown. As there were no other nominations, the motion passed by voice vote/other.

CONSENT AGENDA

Streit moved to have Items 3,4,5,9,11 and 12 adopted for the consent agenda, seconded by Foster. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

3. [60946](#) Authorizing the Transit General Manager to file an application for a Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program Grant with U.S. Department of Transportation and authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the associated grant agreement with USDOT and the associated 13 (c) agreement with Teamsters Local No. 695, approving the associated Program Management and Recipient Coordination Plan and authorizing Metro Transit to pass through funding as approved in the Program of Projects (attached).
Streit moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Foster. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
4. [60964](#) Authorizing the Transit General Manager to file an application for a Section 5307, 5337 & 5339 Super Grant, public transit capital, capital maintenance, and capital planning grant with U.S. Department of Transportation and authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the associated grant agreement with USDOT and the associated 13 (c) agreement with Teamsters Local No. 695.
Streit moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Foster. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
5. [61291](#) Authorizing the Transit General Manager to file an application for CARES Act Stimulus Section 5307 Grant for public transit capital and operating assistance in response to the COVID-19 pandemic with U.S. Department of Transportation and authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the associated grant agreement with USDOT and subrecipient agreements with entities included as pass through funds and the associated 13 (c) agreement with Teamsters Local No. 695
Streit moved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER, seconded by Foster. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
6. [61406](#) Approval of Metro Transit Service Restoration Plan

Transit General Manager Justin Stuehrenberg provided verbal reports and, along with Mick Rusch and Transit Planners Tim Sobota and Mike Cechvala, was available for questions. Streit moved to approve, seconded by Bremer. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.

At this time, by mutual consent, the meeting proceeded to ITEM 13.

7. [61298](#)

Approving roadway geometry for the Cedar Street and South Park Street intersection improvements. (13th AD)

Engineer Sean Malloy with Traffic Engineering provided verbal reports and, along with Transportation Director Tom Lynch, Ped/Bike Administrator Renee Callaway, and engineers Christy Bachmann and Andy Zwiig of City Engineering, was available for questions. Alder Evers voiced his concerns and was available for questions.

Registrants as follows: Oppose, wish to speak; Maia Pearson, Catalpa Road; Neither support nor oppose, wish to speak; Andy Meessman, Lakeside Street; Neither support nor oppose, available for questions; Brandon Rule; Oppose, do not wish to speak; Barbara Gilligan, Sundstrom Street; Cheryl Roeben, Fisher Street; Beth Holden, Cliff Court; Neither support nor oppose, do not wish to speak; Cynthia McCallum, South Shore Drive; Support, do not wish to speak; Cheryl Roeben

Alder Tierney leaves the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

A new roll call is shown to reflect this:

Present - 8 - Ann E. Kovich; Brigit E. Brown; Christopher T. McCahill; Grant Foster; Harald Kliems; Jessica S. Piatt; Kenneth M. Streit; William F. Bremer
Excused - 1 - Michael J. Tierney

After much discussion, Bremer moves to Refer to the August 12 meeting of the TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, seconded by Kliems. With no further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote/other.

8. [61404](#)

Consider adding stop signs along Spaanem Avenue

Traffic Engineer Tom Mohr with Traffic Engineering provided verbal reports and was available for questions.

Registrant as follows: Neither support nor oppose, wish to speak: Lynn Pauly, Maher Avenue

Streit moved to approve two-way stops at Kay Street and Linda Vista Road where they intersect with Spaanem Avenue, seconded by McCahill. After much discussion, Foster offered a substitute motion to ask staff to review the recommendation for Spaanem Avenue along with reviewing adjacent streets and return to TC with a recommendation to address speeding, seconded by Bremer. With no further discussion, the substitute motion passed by voice vote/other.

9. [61271](#)

Authorizing the City's execution of an Access Easement Agreement between the City and Madison Gas and Electric Company for access to an electric

vault in the Capitol Square North Parking Garage located at 218 E. Mifflin Street. (2nd A.D.)

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

10. [61407](#)

Status Update on Parking Division Recovery Plan

Parking Division Manager Sabrina Tolley provided verbal updates and was available for questions.

11. [61408](#)

Annual Review and Approval of the TC Work Plan

Streit moved to Approve, seconded by Foster. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

12. [61409](#)

Review and Approval of TC Handbook and Special Rules

Streit moved to Approve, seconded by Foster. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

13. [60869](#)

SECOND SUBSTITUTE- 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)

Engineer Andy Zwieg provided verbal reports and, along with Tom Lynch, City Traffic Engineer Yang Tao, Parking Division Manager Sabrina Tolley, Renee Callaway, and Sean Malloy with Traffic Engineering, was available for questions. Alder Evers, District 13 and Alder Carter, District 14, voiced their concerns and were available for questions. Brandon Rule, developer of the Truman Olson site project, was available for questions.

Registrants as follows: Oppose, wish to speak: Maia Pearson, Catalpa Road; Neither support nor oppose, wish to speak: Andy Meessman, Lakeside Street; Support, available for questions: Allen Arntsen, South Shore Drive; Oppose, do not wish to speak: Beth Holden, Cliff Court

Streit moved to keep the street width the same; use regular bike lanes only; and restoring parking on both sides, seconded by Brown. After much discussion, the motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Michael J. Tierney, Kenneth M. Streit

Noes: Grant Foster, Christopher T. McCahill, William F. Bremer, Brigit E. Brown, Jessica S. Piatt, Harald Kliems

A motion was made by Foster, seconded by Bremer, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

At this time, by mutual consent, the meeting proceeded to ITEM 7

14. [61410](#) Update on Traffic Calming Subcommittee.
Kovich reported that the TCS met on 7/16, selected a Chair and Vice-Chair, identified priorities, discussed work plan options and setting a meeting schedule.
15. [60440](#) General announcements by the Chair (for information only; not for discussion)
**8/12 is the next TC meeting
Requested a meeting for 8/26
Question on whether in-person meetings may resume
Mayor is looking to fill TC vacancies, please pass along suggestions to increase diversity
Joint TC/TPPB meeting needs to be scheduled
Yang Tao reported on Madison being ranked second nationwide by People for Bikes in their annual rating**
16. [60439](#) Commission member suggestions for items on future agenda (for information only; not for discussion)
**Draft TC Ordinance
Reconsider 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 Bremer. The meeting adjourned at 9:25 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)