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Resolution to Approve Revised Bylaws of the Transportation Commission The bylaws have been reviewed by the City Attorney's Office and comport with the standard bylaws format consistent with Council Resolution R-08-496.

The Bylaws of the Transportation Commission are reviewed periodically to determine if changes are needed. Upon recent inspection, it was discovered that changes made in 2018 and 2019 to the ordinance which establishes the Transportation Commission were not reflected in the Bylaws. Those changes are described as follows:

- October 2018 Ordinance Revision (http://a2gov.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3705187&GUID=E386E897-FCA8-44DE-) - changes were made to: remove the City Traffic Engineer and a representative of the City Systems Planning Unit and add the Transportation Manager; remove reference to the taxi-cab authority; and clarify language on reporting to City Council.
- November 2019 Ordinance Revision (
 http://a2gov.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4222850&GUID=CB20E7D2-BBD0-41F2-A992-) a change was made to the AAATA member description

While this update to the bylaws to reflect these past ordinance changes is fairly perfunctory since they have already been approved by both the Transportation Commission and City Council, this exercise also afforded the Transportation Commission and staff the opportunity to review the bylaws in their totality and make other recommendations - consistent with Article 11 which calls for an annual review of the bylaws by the Commission.

To this end, the Transportation Commission suggested changes to "Article 4 Membership" which would allow for alternates for the Planning Commission, and Commission on Disability Issues representatives.

Additionally, staff suggested changes under "Article 4 Membership" which would allow for designees for the City Administrator, City Transportation Manager, and Chief of Police. An additional change under "Article 12 Miscellaneous" was suggested by staff to allow for flexibility in which department provides staff support to the Commission. Lastly, the Legal Department made some minor updates for consistency with current law, clarity, and City standard bylaws format.

Changes to the Bylaws were reviewed at the Transportation Commission's February 16, 2022, March 16, 2022, and May 18, 2022 meetings. The recommended changes were supported unanimously by the Transportation Commission on May 18, 2022.

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Whereas, The Transportation Commission was created on November 21, 2016 to foster excellence in the planning, design, construction, and maintenance of a sustainable and resilient multimodal transportation network for the City of Ann Arbor;

Whereas, The Bylaws of the Transportation Commission were adopted on May 17, 2017;

Whereas, The Bylaws of the Transportation Commission must be reviewed to ensure they accurately reflect the composition and function of the Commission;

Whereas, Changes to the Bylaws of the Transportation Commission were necessitated to reflect previously approved ordinance revisions as well as afford some flexibility on Commission composition and staff support;

Whereas, The amendment to the Bylaws of the Transportation Commission were recommended for adoption by the Transportation Commission on May 18, 2022; and

Whereas, Per City Council Resolution R-08-496, all proposed bylaws of City boards and commissions must be approved by City Council;

RESOLVED, That City Council approves the attached bylaws of the Transportation Commission.