



# City of Ann Arbor

## Meeting Minutes

### Transportation Commission

301 E. Huron St.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
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Wednesday, September 18, 2024

7:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

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[24-1685](#) Homework and Study Guide - September 2024

**Attachments:** SEP 2024 - Homework and Study Guide.pdf

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**I.) CALL TO ORDER (Bret Hautamaki)(1 Minute)**

**The meeting was called to order by Chair Hautamaki at 7:00 PM**

**II.) ROLL CALL (Christopher Cespedes) (2 Minutes)**

- *Non-voting Commission members in attendance: Lieutenant Mike Scherba, Luke Liu, Nicholas Hutchinson*
- *Non-voting Commission members absent: Liz Margolis, Ben Stupka*
- *Present city staff, speakers, and/or guests: Christopher Cespedes, Suzann Flowers, Cyrus Naheedy, Cynthia Redinger.*

**Present:** 7 - Bret Hautamaki, Megan Brovan, Peter Houk, Praveena Ramaswami, Lisa Campbell, Larry Keeler, and Matt Carpenter

**Absent:** 2 - Erica Briggs, and Wonwoo Lee

**III.) CONSENT AGENDA (Bret Hautamaki)(2 Minutes)**

III.A.) Approval of Agenda

III.B.) Approval of Minutes

**24-1688**

Transportation Commission - Meeting Minutes August 2024

**Attachments:** SEP 2024 - Meeting Minutes (Transportation Commission).pdf

*A motion was made by Keeler seconded by Brovan, to recommend the approval of the agenda and last month's meeting minutes. On a unanimous voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried. The motion was approved by the Commission.*

**Approved by the Board**

**IV.) PUBLIC COMMENT - 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER (Bret Hautamaki)**

*Speaker 1: Jeff Crockett*

- *Concerned about pedestrian safety and lack of data on transportation violations.*
- *Suggested public surveys, increased enforcement, and cooperation with the University of Michigan for bike and scooter safety.*

*Speaker 2: Kathy Griswold*

- *Stressed Vision Zero must be data-driven with crash analysis and faster action on safety improvements.*
- *Raised concerns about building regulations affecting line of sight and the need for better crosswalks near schools.*

*Speaker 3: Adam Jaskiewich*

- *Highlighted drivers failing to yield and endangering pedestrians.*
- *Criticized Vision Zero's focus on education, advocating for stronger engineering solutions.*

*Speaker 4: Adam Goodman*

- *Frustrated with Ann Arbor's outdated bike lane designs.*
- *Suggested adding buffers between parked cars and bike lanes on roads like Pauline.*

*Speaker 5: Alex Lowe*

- *Questioned reliance on education for safety improvements, pushing for road design changes to slow drivers.*
- *Raised concerns about ineffective enforcement of cars parked in bike lanes.*

[24-1691](#) Email Correspondence

**Attachments:** Concerns about the proposed Pauline reconfiguration.pdf, Nextdoor conversation - Safety Concerns for Pedestrians on Sidewalks.pdf, Pauline Bike Lanes.pdf, Pauline Project Concerns.pdf, Ped signals for bike use.pdf, Pedestrian safety.pdf, Safety Concerns for Pedestrians on sidewalks - Attachment.pdf, Safety Concerns for Pedestrians on Sidewalks.pdf, Safety for pedestrians from bicycles and electric scooters..pdf, State Street bike lanes and trash.pdf, Train Use during High Traffic Events.pdf, WEMU 89.1-FM Interview Request.pdf, Bike paths.pdf, Commuter Train During High Traffic Events.pdf

**V.) COMMUNICATIONS**

V.A.) Staff Report and Updates (Luke Liu) (15 Minutes)

[24-1689](#) Transportation Project Updates - SEP 2024

**Attachments:** Transportation Project Updates - SEP 2024.pdf, August 2024 Monthly Offense and Pedestrian Report.pdf

*Commissioner questions and comments:*

- *There were no comments or questions regarding this item.*

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V.B.) Liaison Reports (Bret Hautamaki) (5 Minutes)

*Commissioner questions and comments:*

- *There were no comments or questions regarding this item.*

V.C.) Commission Member Communications (Bret Hautamaki) (2 Minutes)

*Commissioner questions and comments:*

- *Lieutenant Sherra: Reported on a crash involving a bicyclist on North Maple and a sign affecting line-of-sight visibility. The sign has since been removed following investigation.*
- *Commissioner Keeler: Mentioned the Commission on Disability Issues is exploring the removal of stairs on Third Street, near St. Luke's Church.*

## **VI.) BUSINESS**

For the month of September, the Commission does not have any business items scheduled.

## **VII.) INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION**

VII.A.) Vision Zero Plan Progress Report (Lt. Mike Scherba, Cynthia Redinger & Suzann Flowers) (90 Minutes)

[24-1690](#) Vision Zero Plan - Progress Report

**Attachments:** A2 - Vision Zero Progress Report.pdf

*Commissioner questions and comments:*

- *Commissioners praised the comprehensive Vision Zero presentation.*
- *Emphasized the need for a system-wide approach involving all stakeholders.*
- *Engineering highlighted as a key solution, but enforcement and education are also crucial.*
- *Suggested more collaboration with Ann Arbor Public Schools (AAPS) for transportation education.*
- *Focus on reducing fatalities and serious injuries ("K's and A's") as primary Vision Zero goals.*
- *Requested clarification on crash investigation criteria.*
- *Appreciated the dashboard data but requested a clear PDF report for consistency in reviewing information.*
- *Look forward to updates on the Corridor Enforcement Program and police-engineering collaboration.*

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**VIII.) NEXT AGENDA ITEMS (Bret Hautamaki) (2 Minutes)**

*We might expect:*

- *Downtown Area Circulation Study Update*
- *Safe Streets for All Update*
- *Methodology for tiered locations*
- *Next year's capital projects*
- *Bike improvements, strategy #6, #7, bicycle signal install and operations*
- *Transit strategy #10, #11*
- *Traffic calming*
- *ADA transition plan (OOE - office of organizational equity)*
- *DDA parking and curbside use study*
- *Planning, parks, land use master plan*
- *Trunkline transfer*
- *US-23 project*

**IX.) ADJOURNMENT (Bret Hautamaki) (1 Minute)**

*The meeting was adjourned by Chair Hautamaki at 9:05 PM*