



City of Ann Arbor

Meeting Minutes

Transportation Commission

301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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Wednesday, August 16, 2023

7:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

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Homework and Study Guide - August 2023

23-1363 Homework and Study Guide - August 2023

Attachments: Homework Guide 08-11-23.pdf

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

The meeting was called to order at: 7:00 pm.

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

- *Non-voting Commission members: Lieutenant Mike Scherba, Raymond Hess, Nicholas Hutchinson*
- *Non-voting Commission members absent: Liz Margolis, Ben Stupka,*
- *Attending staff, presenters or guest speakers: Christopher Cespedes,*

Present: 8 - Julie Boland, Bret Hautamaki, Megan Brovan, Peter Houk, Dharma Akmon, Ken Anderson, Larry Keeler, and Wonwoo Lee

Absent: 1 - Molly Kleinman

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

III.A.) Approval of Agenda

III.B.) Approval of Minutes

23-1364 Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes Aug-2023**Attachments:** Meeting Minutes Aug-2023.pdf**Approved by the Board and forwarded to the City Council due back on 10/2/2023**

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

23-1365

Public Comments - Transportation Commission

Attachments: Prioritizing side walks.pdf, State Street Bike Lanes.pdf*2 Emails received inclusive of attachments.*

- *Speaker 1: – MDOT proposal to fence off railroad line; Border-to-Border Trail.*
- *Speaker 2: Vertical elements for Quick Builds; lane width and lane narrowing (Huron Pkwy, Packard); advisory bike lane markings.*
- *Speaker 3: Train track fencing and need for crossings; intersections for cycling; traffic calming resolution;*
- *Speaker 4: Traffic calming resolution; bylaws change;*

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V.) BUSINESS

V.A.) Baldwin (Packard to Stadium) Traffic Calming - (Raymond Hess) (10 Minutes)

23-1366 Transportation Commission Resolution to Approve the Installation of Traffic Calming Devices on Baldwin Avenue (Packard to Stadium) (\$35,000)

Attachments: Baldwin Traffic Calming - Final Plan.pdf, Baldwin Traffic Calming - Resolution.pdf

Commissioner questions and comments:

- Rubber devises.
- Permanent & Temporary traffic calming devises.
- 2024 Construction Season
- 2025 Fiscal Year Construction Expectations

A motion was made by Boland, seconded by Akmon to recommend the approval of Baldwin Traffic Calming Project between Packard and Stadium. On a unanimous voice vote the chair declared the motion carried, said motion was forwarded to City Council and should be returned by 10/02/2023.

V.B.) Manchester (Buckingham to Needham) Traffic Calming - (Raymond Hess) (10 Minutes)

23-1367

Transportation Commission Resolution to Approve the Installation of Traffic Calming Devices on Manchester Road (Buckingham to Needham) (\$35,000)

Attachments: Manchester Traffic Calming - Final Plan.pdf, Manchester Traffic Calming - Resolution.pdf

Commissioner questions and comments:

- No comments

A motion was made by Boland, seconded by Brovan to recommend the approval of Manchester Traffic Calming Project between Buckingham and Needham. On a unanimous voice vote the chair declared the motion carried, said motion was forwarded to City Council and should be returned by 10/02/2023.

V.C.) Traffic Calming Resolution - (Dharma Akmon) (20 Minutes)

23-1368 Transportation Commission Resolution to Adopt an Improved Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program

Attachments: Traffic Calming Resolution_Clean Draft_2023.08.02.pdf,
Traffic Calming Resolution_Mark-up Draft_2023.08.02.pdf

Commissioner questions and comments:

- *Traffic Calming Improvements will not longer require commission approval.*
- *Criteria for project progression.*
- *A metric for project results; target speed.*
- *Metrics driven by neighborhood demand.*
- *Minimum allowed speed 25mph.*
- *Speed should not dictate implementation.*
- *Compliance rate of crosswalk, stop signs.*
- *Data based prioritization.*
- *Program structure, framework.*
- *Transition from Empowering into collaboration model.*
- *School traffic calming toolkit*
- *Will residents be grandfathered into existing program?*
- *Monitor progress*
- *Subcommittee involvement.*

A motion was made by Boland, seconded by Brovan to recommend the approval of resolution included in the packet which suggests changes to the Traffic Calming Program. The voice vote was carried by a majority vote with 7 in favor and 1 vote in opposition made by Peter Houk. The chair declared the motion carried, said motion was forwarded to City Council and should be returned by 10/02/2023.

V.D.) Bylaws Amendment - (Raymond Hess) (20 Minutes)

23-1369

Bylaws Amendment

Attachments: Bylaws&Ord_Draft Bylaws of Transportation Commission_2022.08.17.pdf, Bylaws&Ord_Draft Transportation Commission Ord amendment 2022.08.17.pdf

Commissioner questions and comments:

- *Over-represented age group.*
- *Problem requires no solution.*
- *All ages of life have unique transportation challenges.*
- *Not in favor in singling out demographics.*
- *Demographic question not included in current application process.*
- *If passed, changes to current application process.*
- *Not inclusive of the different communities in Ann Arbor*
- *Annual Demographics self-examination.*
- *Car dependence vs. independence*

A motion was made by Akmon seconded by Lee to recommend the approval of the suggested change to the bylaws to change the membership to read “seven members of the public, one of whom shall be 55 years of age or older”. On a unanimous voice vote the chair declared the motion to be defeated, said motion was forwarded to City Council and should be returned by 10/02/2023.

VI.) INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

VI.A.) Transportation Asset Management Plan - (Nick Hutchinson) (20 Minutes)

23-1380

Transportation Asset Management Plan

Attachments: TAMP_Ann Arbor_2023 - DRAFT.pdf

Commissioner questions and comments:

- *Benchmark of other communities.*
- *Current road system is primarily asphalt.*
- *Long term goal setting; past 2024.*
- *Implementing values and realistic expectations for city roads.*

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VII.) COMMUNICATIONS

VII.A.) Staff Report and Updates (Raymond Hess) (10 Minutes)

23-1370 Staff Report and Updates

Attachments: AAPD June 2023 Ped Crash Report.pdf, Transportation Project Updates 2023-8-AUGUST (FINAL).pdf

Commissioner questions and comments:

- *Bike Corrals Pilot Program: business or consumers initiative.*
- *Scio Church – sidewalk project timeline.*
- *Cyclist crash at Seventh and Stadium.*

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

Commissioner questions and comments:

- *No comments*

VII.C.) Commission Member Communications (Bret Hautamaki) (5 Minutes)

Commissioner questions and comments:

- *Comp plan update schedule; TC-1 update related to setbacks.*
- *The Ride minor service adjustments to several routes.*

VIII.) NEXT AGENDA ITEMS (Bret Hautamaki) (5 Minutes)

We might expect:

- *Grandview (Jackson to Dexter) Traffic Calming*
- *Curbside Management Study*
- *Annual crash report*
- *Trunkline Transfer Study*
- *Bylaws Updates*
- *Speed management/road reconfiguration*
- *Any unresolved/carry-over items from this month.*

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

The meeting was adjourned at: 9:16 p.m.