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TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1:207 (TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION)  
OF CHAPTER 8 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ANN ARBOR

The City of Ann Arbor ordains:

Section 1. That Section 1:207 of Chapter 8 of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor be amended to read as follows:

1:207. - Transportation Commission.

- (1) The Transportation Commission is established to foster excellence in the planning, design, construction, and maintenance of a sustainable and resilient multimodal transportation network for the City of Ann Arbor. The Transportation Commission will serve as an advisory body to the City Council and the City Administrator on transportation policy with a focus on accessibility, mobility, equity, and safety for all citizens.
- (2) The Transportation Commission shall consist of 11 voting members. Appointments should be of individuals who, insofar as is possible, have an interest in the various forms and modes of transportation needs of the community. Members shall be appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council unless otherwise stated.
  - (a) To support a holistic evaluation of the community's concerns, the voting members of the Transportation Commission shall be as follows:
    1. Six members of the public.
    2. One owner or operator of a transportation business operating in Ann Arbor.
    3. One member of the Planning Commission, appointed by the Planning Commission.
    4. One member of the Commission on Disability Issues, appointed by the Commission on Disability Issues.
    5. One ~~individual member~~ appointed by the board of the Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority, which may also appoint one or more alternates.
    6. One member of the City Council.
  - (b) The City Administrator, the Transportation Manager, and the Chief of Police shall be nonvoting members of the Transportation Commission. The City Administrator shall designate staffing to support the Transportation Commission.

- (c) The Regional Transit Authority of Southeast Michigan, the University of Michigan, and the Ann Arbor Public Schools may each appoint one nonvoting member to the Transportation Commission.
  - (d) Unless otherwise stated in this subsection, voting members of the Transportation Commission shall be appointed to three-year terms, which shall be staggered so that approximately one third of the terms expire each year. Initial terms may be for less than three years so that the terms are staggered. The City Council member shall be appointed for a one-year term in the same manner as for City Council committee appointments. Members appointed by other City boards or commissions shall continue to serve until they are no longer members of the appointing board or commission or until the appointing board or commission appoints a different member. The member appointed by the board of the Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority shall continue to serve until the board appoints a different member.
- (3) The Transportation Commission shall have the following powers and duties:
- (a) Advise the City Council and City Administrator on:
    - 1. Transportation grants.
    - 2. Streets and highways.
    - 3. The use of, restrictions on, and upkeep of public rights-of-way.
    - 4. Bus and rail service.
    - 5. Pedestrian and bikeway programs and projects.
    - 6. Safety-related programs and projects.
    - 7. Regulation of vehicles for hire, including taxicabs, transportation network and ride-sharing entities, pedicabs, and other transportation vehicles; and all related matters including permits, annual permits, franchise permits, transportation franchise requests, renewals, rate adjustments, and hours of operation.
  - (b) Provide comments to the Planning Commission, City Council, Downtown Development Authority, and the Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority on transportation policy, and the impact of proposed projects to the same.
  - (c) Recommend to the City Council and the City Administrator priorities and budget allocations related to transportation.
  - (d) Provide recommendations on the City's transportation master plans including the City Transportation Plan and Non-Motorized Transportation Plan.
  - (e) Report annually to the City Council and the City Administrator regarding the activities of the Transportation Commission, which shall reflect the effectiveness of the city's transportation strategy process and make recommendations for any changes thereto.
  - (f) Make proposals and recommendations to achieve and maintain a holistic and inclusive transportation ecosystem that meets the mobility needs of all people, including the mobility-impaired.

- (g) Form special purpose task forces and subcommittees to carry out the business of the commission.
- (h) Perform other duties as directed by City Council.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication.