

As the Committee will not meet again for actual approval of these minutes, these minutes are considered the final action of the Comprehensive Plan Council Committee.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COUNCIL COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2016
12:00 PM
MUNICIPAL PLAZA BUILDING, B ROOM**

Members Present:	Councilmember Ron Nirenberg, Chair, <i>District 8</i> Councilmember Alan E. Warrick II, <i>District 2</i> Councilmember Rebecca Viagran, <i>District 3</i>
Members Absent:	Councilmember Cris Medina, <i>District 7</i>
Staff Present:	Peter Zaroni, <i>Deputy City Manager</i> ; Bridgett White, <i>Interim Director of Planning & Community Development</i> ; Terry Bellamy, <i>TCI Assistant Director</i> ; Michael Rodriguez, <i>Executive Assistant</i> ; Alicia K. Beckham, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>
Others Present:	Mario Medina, <i>WSP-Parsons Brinckerhoff</i> ; Kerri Collins, <i>WSP-Parsons Brinckerhoff</i> ; Sonia Jimenez, <i>Ximenes and Associates, Inc.</i> ; Brian Buchanan, <i>VIA Metropolitan Transit</i> ; Hannah Santiago, <i>VIA Metropolitan Transit</i>

1. Approval of Minutes of the April 6, 2016 Comprehensive Planning Committee Meeting.

Councilmember Warrick moved to approve the minutes of the Comprehensive Planning Council Committee Meeting of April 6, 2016. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

2. An in-depth briefing on the SA Tomorrow Multimodal Transportation Plan. [Peter Zaroni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, P.E., Director Transportation & Capital Improvements]

Terry Bellamy stated that the objective of the SA Tomorrow Multimodal Transportation Plan would be to San Antonio through 2040. He stated that as a result of growth, the City would be designated as a plan for attainment area with regard to meeting national air quality regulations. He stated that once the City was designated as a non-attainment area, there would be a need to consider developing sustainable transportation systems that have an impact on air quality. He highlighted the need to encourage premium transit options in the City. He stated that the Multimodal Transportation Plan was formed from the Comprehensive Plan and the Sustainability Plan to address the connectivity aspect of SA Tomorrow. He noted that the Multimodal Transportation Plan brings together other agency plans that will meet community goals.

Chairman Nirenberg suggested that staff create a brief statement on how the Multimodal Transportation Plan will change San Antonio.

Councilmember Warrick asked if staff knew of ways to progress the topic of light rail. Mr. Bellamy stated that convincing the private sector to participate in a premium transit system would start the progression.

Mr. Bellamy highlighted Vision Zero and the commitment to roadway safety. He stated that the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Texas-Oklahoma Passenger Rail is a project designed to explore how passenger rail service would provide a transportation alternative to the IH 35 Corridor between Oklahoma City and South Texas. He noted that San Antonio's spending per citizen on transportation is the lowest per capita expense compared with other major cities.

Councilmember Viagran asked if SA Tomorrow addresses proactive plans to handle future congestion. Kerry Collins responded that the City used Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Models which focus on the creation of Multimodal Transportation options. She stated that the intent was to identify areas of congestion and methods for decreasing. Mr. Bellamy stated that future congestion is inevitable and could not be managed by building the City out of congestion. He noted that indicators pointed to the City incorporating measures that offer transportation options, improved connectivity, and connective modes. He added that widening roadways would require significant acquisition of properties and expense.

Ms. Collins presented an overview of the Public Engagement Effort. She stated that staff collected information from attendees about SA Tomorrow at the Biannual Siclovía Event in Spring 2015. She stated that staff presented to over 150 groups as part of public outreach. She noted that the Social Media Campaign went well and that during the outreach process; staff received positive feedback on light rail.

Chairman Nirenberg asked if there were an equal amount of comments received around the City. Ms. Sonia Jimenez stated that the City engaged with residents of all council districts. She noted that the survey was not scientifically valid; therefore, the results would only display who completed it and how they responded. Chairman Nirenberg asked if residents had major differences on key points. Ms. Collins responded that residents commented on the need to prioritize. She stated that in particular, some City Residents were more in favor of spending capital funds on the repair of current streets rather than spending it on light rail. She noted that the same residents that were in favor of street repairs were willing to support light rail at some level.

Congressman Warrick exited the meeting and there was no longer a quorum.

The meeting ended at 2:19 p.m.