

**TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2019
2:00 PM
MUNICIPAL PLAZA BUILDING**

Members Present:	Councilmember Shirley Gonzales, Chair, <i>District 5</i> Councilmember Roberto Treviño, <i>District 1</i> Councilmember Melissa Cabello Havrda, <i>District 6</i> Councilmember Ana Sandoval, <i>District 7</i> Councilmember Clayton Perry, <i>District 10</i>
Staff Present:	Rod Sanchez, <i>Assistant City Manager</i> ; Lori Houston, <i>Assistant City Manager</i> ; Razi Hosseini, <i>Interim Director of Transportation & Capital Improvements</i> ; Art Reinhardt, <i>Interim Deputy Director of Transportation and Capital Improvements</i> ; Alicia K. Beckham, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>
Others Present:	Scott Day, <i>Mahncke Park</i> ; John Beauchamp, <i>Hixon Properties</i> ; Peter French, <i>Gray Street Partners</i> ; Jonathan Smith, <i>Lake/Flato</i> ; Mimi Quintanilla, <i>Citizen</i> ; Barbara Witte-Howell, <i>Citizen</i> ; Susan Scott, <i>Midtown TIRZ Board</i>

1. Approval of the Minutes for the April 29, 2019 Transportation Committee Meeting.

Councilmember Sandoval moved to approve the Minutes for the April 29, 2019 Transportation Council Committee Meeting. Councilmember Cabello Havrda seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Briefing by Committee Chair, Shirley Gonzales, District 5, on the Transportation and Mobility Committee work plan outline.

Chairperson Gonzales stated that the Transportation and Mobility Committee Work Plan Outline would review plans and projects that are designed to enhance mobility of all kinds. She noted that the Committee Members were open to requesting reports from Transportation and Capital Improvements, San Antonio Airport, Center City Development Office, delegate agencies, and stakeholders. She added that staff would confirm agendas, topics, and outlines with Committee Members for consideration.

No action required for Item 2.

Items 3 and 4 were addressed jointly at this time.

3. Briefing on the status of the Broadway Corridor (E. Houston to E. Hildebrand), a 2017 Bond funded project, located within Council District 1. [Roderick Sanchez, Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Interim Director, Transportation & Capital Improvements]

4. Briefing on the status of the 2017-2022 Bond Program. [Roderick Sanchez, Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Interim Director, Transportation & Capital Improvements]

Razi Hosseini reported that the 2017-2022 Bond Program was \$850 million and that 87% of the Bond Projects had been in design or under construction. He stated that the Broadway Corridor

Project was \$97 million and that the total funding to-date was \$56 million. He provided existing conditions, proposed improvements, and typical streetscape concepts. He noted that the Broadway Project comprised of the Lower Segment (Houston to IH35), the Upper Segment Phase 1 (IH35 to Mulberry), and the Upper Segment Phase 2 (Mulberry Ave. to Burr Rd.). He added that the Lower Segment Project began in January 2019 and would be completed in December 2021. He stated that the Upper Segment Phase 1 would begin in January 2020 and construction would end in December 2022. He mentioned that the Transportation & Capital Improvements Department was developing a traffic model to determine the potential impacts from removing an additional vehicle travel lane to provide space for protected bike facilities along Broadway from Josephine Street.

Councilmember Perry noted the funding distribution across all the Council Districts and he requested that other districts get more funding on the next Bond Program.

Citizens to be heard

Chairperson Gonzales called upon citizens registered to speak.

Scott Day provided alternative streets where bike facilities could be placed and he noted his support of the current plans for the Broadway Corridor.

John Beauchamp stated that he was supportive of a network in the Broadway Corridor, but that he did not think it would fit on Broadway.

Peter French stated that he wanted to note his appreciation and support for the work done on Broadway.

Jonathan Smith suggested that the City investigate the timing of the traffic lights on Alamo Street, because the lights were not conducive to cycling. He asked that there be more funding for cycling in future Bond Projects.

Matt Brown stated that he supported the designs for the Broadway Corridor because of its flexibility and safety measures.

Mimi Quintanilla suggested that bike lanes on Avenue B would be safer.

Barbara Witte-Howell asked that the designs accommodate mobility for senior citizens.

Susan Scott requested that an item be placed on the September 13, 2019 Midtown TIRZ Board Meeting to consider funding for the bike lanes to be placed on Avenue B and Alamo Street.

Chairperson Gonzales stated that she would like for staff to present the funding for the Bond Project and present what would be anticipated for the corridors. She asked how much office space or housing units would be developed. Mr. Beauchamp responded that there would be an Alamo Community College Building, two new office towers, an office building called the Soto, CPS renovation, and a San Antonio Light Building totaling 1,160,000 square feet (sq ft). He stated that there was a project planned on Broadway that would be 1,000 sq ft and that the

Jefferson Bank Project would be 190,000 sq. ft. He noted that there would be apartments, retail, and other developments that are being considered.

Chairperson Gonzales suggested that staff provide the number of on-street parking spaces.

Councilmember Treviño asked if there was a complete street design for the Broadway Bond Project. Mr. Hosseini stated that because of narrow right-of-ways, there could not be another element introduced to that road way.

Councilmember Sandoval suggested that staff display what it would be like with bike-lanes on Avenue B and Broadway. She asked if VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority (VIA) had a Corridor Plan that corresponded with the City. Art Reinhardt replied that VIA's 2014 Plan identified Broadway as one of the seven corridors throughout the City for Rapid Transit.

Councilmember Cabello Havrda stated that at the next meeting she would like for staff to provide data that explained the safety measures on Broadway and the traffic study that was conducted.

Councilmember Perry stated that he voted "no" on the Broadway Bond Project. He noted that he did not support the Project because it was going from six lanes down to four lanes. He added that he was not in support of spending over \$40 million on one-project when there was a need for funding on streets throughout the City. He suggested that staff provide data that indicate the total cost to dedicate bike lanes either on or off Broadway. He stated he was in support of moving forward with the current plan for the Broadway Project.

No action required for Items 3 and 4.


Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Shirley Gonzales, Chairperson



Alicia K. Beckham,
Office of the City Clerk