



TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

Thursday, April 21st, 2022, 7:00 pm

A. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chair Parolek at 7:01 pm

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Anthony Bruzzone, Barnali Ghosh, Kate Gosselin, Beverly Greene, Liza Lutzker, Karen Parolek, Kim Walton

Commissioners Absent: Adrian Leung (excused)

Staff Present: Beth Thomas, Ryan Murray, Liam Garland, Alisha Gard

3. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda

No speakers

4. Approval of Draft Action Minutes of [March 17, 2022](#)

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Bruzzone/Lutzker) to approve the draft minutes with Chair Parolek's edits.

Ayes: Bruzzone, Gosselin, Greene, Lutzker, Parolek

Noes: None

Abstain: Ghosh, Walton

Absent: Leung

Motion carried 5-0-2-1

5. Approval and Order of Agenda

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Greene/Walton) to approve the order of the agenda.

Ayes: Bruzzone, Ghosh, Gosselin, Greene, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Leung

Motion carried 7-0-0-1

6. Update on Administration/Staff

Commissioner Lutzker asked Public Works Director Liam Garland to provide an update on the consolidation of the Public Works and Transportation Commissions. Director Garland responded that the staff report regarding commission consolidation will be presented to City Council at the Council meeting on May 31, 2022.

7. Announcements

Per Commissioner Lutzker, the Energy Commission no longer exists and no liaison will be needed from the Transportation Commission.

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Vision 2050 Presentation

Liam Garland, Director of Public Works, provided a presentation to Transportation Commissioners and discussed timeline of ongoing and completed items in the Vision 2050 plan. Feedback may be emailed to Vision2050@cityofberkeley.info. No action.

2. BerkDOT Update

Liam Garland, Director of Public works, provided an update regarding the ongoing process for Reimagining Public Safety and BerkDOT. No action.

3. Adeline Right-of-Way and Plaza Options

Beth Thomas, Principal Planner, provided a presentation on potential Adeline right-of-way modification options which will be made to facilitate Transit Oriented Development housing at the Ashby BART station site. Written material consisting of a slide presentation was delivered at the meeting. No action.

4. Hopkins Corridor

Principal Planner Beth Thomas and Associate Planner Ryan P. Murray provided a presentation on the Hopkins corridor project. Written material consisting of a slide presentation was delivered at the meeting.

9:53 pm – Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Lutzker/Gosselin) to extend the meeting until 10:30 pm.

Ayes: Bruzzone, Ghosh, Gosselin, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Greene, Leung

Motion carried 6-0-0-2

10:30 pm – Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Ghosh/Gosselin) to extend the meeting until 10:50 pm.

Ayes: Bruzzone, Ghosh, Gosselin, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Greene, Leung

Motion carried 6-0-0-2

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Lutzker/Gosselin) that Chair Parolek represent the Transportation Commission at City Council. The Transportation Commission recommends that Council approve the plans that staff is recommending for Hopkins Street. The TC also recommends the following amendments to those plans:

- Take another look for ways to improve pedestrian safety. Some suggestions to consider:

- Pedestrian improvements at the Gilman intersection
 - Close the slip lane at Hopkins/Sacramento
 - Extra look at adding more crosswalks across Hopkins
 - Add at least one raised crosswalk across Hopkins at Monterey to designate it as a pedestrian intersection
 - Widen the protected cycle track to at least 9'-10' between Monterey and The Alameda
 - Extend the 2-way protected cycle track to the east across The Alameda to Sutter
 - Pair that with an update to the intersection design at Hopkins/Alameda
 - Extend the 2-way protected cycle track to the west across Gilman Street to San Pablo Avenue
 - Have two public meetings to discuss the update
- Ayes: Ghosh, Gosselin, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Bruzzone, Greene, Leung

Motion carried 5-0-0-3

5. TNC Tax Allocation Priorities

10:51 pm – Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Gosselin/Walton) to extend the meeting by 10 minutes.

Ayes: Ghosh, Gosselin, Greene, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Bruzzone, Leung

Motion carried 6-0-0-2

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Parolek/Walton) that Vice Chair Gosselin speak on the TNC item at City Council and support staff's recommendation as follows: Apply first year of funding for planned infrastructure at bus stops on the Hopkins Corridor project in order to serve transit in the near term, as the work is anticipated to be completed by the end of 2023. At the same time, start the public process and design for the other transit and bikeway improvements to be implemented the second year.

Ayes: Ghosh, Gosselin, Greene, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Bruzzone, Leung

Motion carried 6-0-0-2

C. INFORMATION ITEMS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Information items can be moved to Discussion or Action by majority vote of the TC.

1. Subcommittee Reports and Assignments: Verbal Reports from Subcommittees
2. Council Summary Actions 2021 and 2022
3. [Link to Council and Agenda Committee Agendas and Minutes](#)
4. Transportation Commission Mission Statement
5. [Link to Transportation Commission Work Plan](#)
6. Transportation Commission Subcommittees and Liaisons

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Parolek/Lutzker) to:

- Remove Chair Parolek from the BerkDOT subcommittee and replace her with Commissioner Ghosh
- Assign Commissioner Walton to the Transit First subcommittee
- Reassign Commissioner Lutzker's as liaison to the new Environment and Climate Commission

Ayes: Ghosh, Gosselin, Greene, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Bruzzone, Leung

Motion carried 6-0-0-2

D. COMMUNICATIONS

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

F. ADJOURNMENT

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Walton/Lutzker) to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 pm.

Ayes: Ghosh, Gosselin, Greene, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Bruzzone, Leung

Motion carried 6-0-0-2

Public: 24

Speakers: 12