

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting
~Minutes~

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Thursday
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4:00 PM

Council Chambers
206 E. 3rd St.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Philip Cook (virtual), Chair; Erin Bacon (virtual), Randy Baukol (virtual), Ben Calabretta (virtual), Mary DuPree (virtual), Joel Hamilton (virtual), Brian Johnson (virtual), Bob Sanders (virtual)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike McGahan

OTHERS: Gina Taruscio (virtual), Janet Zarate (virtual)

STAFF: Bill Belknap, Jennifer Fleischman

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes from November 12, 2020 (ACTION ITEM)

Presentation of minutes for approval.

Bacon moved for approval of the minutes as written, seconded by Johnson. Vote by Acclamation: Ayes: Unanimous (8). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

2. Public Comment

Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the agenda or currently pending before the Commission. Please state your name and city of residence for the record and limit your remarks to three (3) minutes.

None.

3. Commission Communications

Staff provided an update on the status of the City's current planned capital projects.

4. Election of Officers (ACTION ITEM)

It is the standard practice for City Commissions to nominate and elect members of the Commission to serve as Chair and Vice Chair for the upcoming calendar year. As this is the first meeting of 2021, the Commission will need to elect members to these positions for 2021.

Baukol nominated Bacon as Vice Chair, who accepted. DuPree seconded the motion to elect Robert Sanders as Chair and Erin Bacon as Vice Chair for the Transportation Commission. Vote by Acclamation: Ayes: Unanimous (8). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

5. Neighborhood Traffic Calming Device Policy Development (ACTION ITEM) – Bill Belknap

Over the last year staff have received multiple requests for the installation of traffic calming devices in different locations within the community which has led staff to identify the need to develop a standardized process and approach to addressing traffic calming device requests. Staff has completed preliminary research on the topic and wanted to begin the discussion on the topic with the Commission.

Belknap reviewed the background on the topic and outlined the goals that a traffic calming policy would achieve, as well as provided examples of different traffic calming devices for the Commission to consider. Belknap presented a study that had been completed regarding the different types of traffic calming devices and their respective effectiveness. The Commission discussed potential procedures and criteria for the Commissioners to consider in developing a traffic calming policy. This topic had been raised in response to complaints that had been received from the Indian Hills area regarding perceptions of excessive speed in the area. The Commission discussed potential thresholds that could be used to determine whether traffic calming devices would be installed including utilizing the 85th percentile of observed speeds exceeding the posted speed limit by 10 MPH. Commissioners in general were supportive of the proposed policy, which closely mimicked the Stop Sign request procedure, and directed Staff to draft up a document for review.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 5:07 PM


Robert Sanders, Chair