

**SUMMARY OF MINUTES
TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE
April 22, 2021**

The meeting of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee was called to order by Chairman Evan Watkins on April 22, 2021 3:01 p.m. by Zoom Meeting Telecommunicating to slow the spread of the Coronavirus COVID-19 (also called “social distancing”) due to the COVID-19 virus.

Present at the meeting were: Dave Johnson, Larry Millican, Andy Aycoth, Peggy Zahler, Evan Watkins, David Person, Annette Ramirez, Christopher Sims and Donna Ofsanko

Introduction of Committee Members

Evan Watkins welcomed all members of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and called to order the meeting at 3:01 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the February 11, 2021 and the March 25, 2021 meetings. A motion was made by Peggy Zahler and seconded by Annette Ramirez; all members of the committee approved the minutes with a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Christopher Sims discussed the Goals/Initiatives with members of the committee:

The Mission/Purpose Statement was presented: Advises and makes recommendations to the City Council and assists City departments and the City Manager to plan and implement a balanced transportation system, drainage, water (fresh/wastewater) and other infrastructure. Provide citizens an avenue for input and feedback on ongoing and future projects.

In March 2019, Committee agreed to tie goals to the initiatives stemming from the 2018 Master Mobility Plan which were noted as:

- Continued Mobility
- Preservation & Maintenance of Existing Infrastructure
- Continue Being a Special Place to Live
- Provide Fiscal Stewardship
- Enhance the City’s Economic Vitality

Goals/Initiatives

The Committee discussed how to measure goals and determined that this would be done through 4 points:

1. City Development
2. Drainage Prospective
3. TxDOT initiatives
4. Outreach with Citizens

For City Development, the Committee discussed participation in the City’s Master Planning processes, being a citizen review for potential CIP projects by making recommendations to City Council on said projects, and obtaining updates related to City development.

- Dave Person noted participation from city development (planning department) to the Transportation Committee would be beneficial on the development within the City on an annual basis for the transportation committee can relate to success of city goals.
- Annette Ramirez asked when the Master Mobility Plan is to be updated if it was every five years. Could the committee realign the committee goals with the Master Mobility Plan in the different areas with a more defined topics with a timeline that goes with the plan so they can be addressed by the committee toward the

mobility goals set for Master Mobility plan updates in the future.

- Peggy Zahler indicated the committee's participation and their recommendations within CIP and the projects being done within the city and the committee's comments and suggestions and the impact it has on the citizens within the City.
- Christopher Sims discussed the Master Mobility and Land Use plans with members of the committee and how it impacts the city and the different departments within the City.
- David Johnson indicated the committee participation within the CIP projects to address future opportunities to get worked within the system and communicate with community concerns effectively.
- Committee members discussed requesting David Hoover to meet with the committee the future land use plans within the City in conjunction with Committee goals annually. Christopher Sims indicated this would fall more under the City's Planning and Zoning purview and suggested that a having a Planning update yearly from the Planning department and monthly updates from the P&Z committee could be a better way to stay abreast of development within the City.

For Drainage Prospective, the Committee discussed participation as a citizen review for the upcoming City-wide Drainage Plan.

- Christopher Sims indicated that the City-wide Drainage Plan has not been finalized yet. The existing condition report has been completed and the modeling has shifted into potential solutions.
- For TxDOT initiatives, the Committee discussed obtaining updates related to TxDOT projects within League City.

For Outreach with Citizens, the Committee discussed restarting Public Meetings and more coordination with local Homeowner's Associations.

- Larry Millican noted the importance of Committee Member participation within the community.
- Dave Person said committee participation with Sundays in the Park and Town Hall Quarterly meetings with citizen participation with isolated areas of discussion with measurable items. Peggy Zahler wanted to follow-up on community participation in the committee's outreach goal. Who would be responsible for communication to residents in the community? Members of the committee agreed that City staff are more knowledgeable and are to reply to all citizen e-mails relating to the City's infrastructure and the course of action for correction.
- Christopher Sims proposed that committee members should communicate with the citizens as part of the Committee's public outreach goal instead of Staff.
- Evan directed Christopher to work on a method based on this discussion for measuring the Committee's Goals and present for a formal vote by the Committee in May.

Development in the Floodplain Part 1

- Evan had requested an informal presentation be made about development within the Floodplain. Christopher presented "Development in the Floodplain – Part 1" and a copy of the presentation has been included with the minutes of this meeting.

Public Comments:

No public comments

Committee Member Comments:

- Annette Ramirez noted the importance of having a set agenda format on every future transportation committee agenda.
- Evan Watkins asked Christopher Sims to provide a schedule with tentative topics for each meeting and annual discussions and/or presentations for the year that can be drafted and sent to the entire committee for a roadmap in place for discussion by the committee.
- Andy Aycoth believes that less red lights and four way stop signs are really warranted within the City and suggest this as a future meeting topic.
- Andy Aycoth noted that he believed the CIP projects including the GO Bond projects need to move more quickly with a more reasonable goal in advance and they are not being met in a timely manner.

- Evan Watkins enquired about an annual presentation by Project Management to update committee members of all projects within the City.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Evan and seconded by Larry and all members of the committee to adjourn the meeting at 5:37 p.m. A motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

The next Transportation Committee meeting will be scheduled on May 27, 2021, by a Zoom Meeting due to the COVID-19 virus).

Signatures are provided upon request.