



City of San Marcos

630 East Hopkins
San Marcos, TX 78666

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

4:30 PM

City Council Chambers

630 E. Hopkins - Work Session

I. Call To Order

With a quorum present, the special meeting of the San Marcos City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomaides at 4:33 p.m. Tuesday, February 6, 2018 in the City Hall Conference Room, 630 E. Hopkins, San Marcos, Texas 78666.

II. Roll Call

Present: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem Lisa Prewitt, Council Member Saul Gonzales, Council Member Melissa Derrick, Mayor John Thomaides and Council Member Ed Mihalkanin

Absent: 2 - Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Scott Gregson and Council Member Jane Hughson

1. Receive a presentation and hold discussion regarding provision of dockless bike sharing services in San Marcos.

Bert Lumbreras, City Manager, introduced the item and provided information related to a potential partnership with Texas State University related to alternate modes of transportation, and introduced Kevin Burke, Economic Development and Downtown Administrator, who provided the presentation.

Mr. Burke provided a presentation related to a dockless bike share program. He provided the benefits and risks to the additional mode of transportation. He provided that Staff has drafted a joint RFP (request for proposals) with Texas State University and explained that preference would be given to any vendor that committed to utilizing a local bicycle repair shop.

Mr. Burke provided the next steps regarding issuing the joint RFP, reviewing and awarding the contract, entering into an Interlocal agreement with Texas State and then explained that vendor service would begin. Council consensus was to move forward with the RFP process.

Mr. Lumbreras provided that we do not want to see what has happened in other Cities to happen here. That is why he wants to review the vendors performance within that first 6-months of operation.

Discussion was held about the ability to have electric bikes as well as regular bikes. Discussion was held regarding the reason for choosing dockless bike share vs. docked bike share. Ultimately it comes down to cost. Discussion was held regarding the establishment of designated areas for bikes to be parked. Discussion was held regarding how people would report issues regarding bike locations.

Staff still has to identify the person or department that would be responsible for monitoring those issues. Texas State has a position within their Transportation Department that would be the person responsible for monitoring those issues.

No further discussion or direction was provided.

III. Adjournment.

Mayor Thomaides adjourned the work session meeting of the San Marcos City Council at 5:02 p.m.

Jamie Lee Case, City Clerk

John Thomaides, Mayor