



City of San Marcos

630 East Hopkins
San Marcos, TX 78666

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, October 30, 2018

5:30 PM

City Hall Conference Room

630 E. Hopkins - Transportation Master Plan Workshop

I. Call To Order

With a quorum present, the Transportation Master Plan Workshop of the San Marcos City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomaides at 5:51 p.m., Tuesday October 30, 2018 in the City Hall Conference Room, 630 E. Hopkins, San Marcos, Texas 78666.

II. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mayor Pro Tem Lisa Prewitt, Council Member Saul Gonzales, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Scott Gregson, Council Member Melissa Derrick, Mayor Jane Hughson, Mayor John Thomaides and Council Member Ed Mihalkanin

PRESENTATIONS

1. Receive a Staff presentation and provide an update on the Transportation Master Plan (TMP), draft report and TMP maps, and provide direction to Staff.

Mr. Bert Lumbreras, City Manager, provided opening remarks reminding the Council that the Craddock Extension proposal has been removed from the plan and would not be discussed. He introduced Mr. Rohit Vij, Senior Engineer, who provided the Council with the most current Transportation Master Plan (TMP) draft report and plans following Council direction on August 7, 2018.

Mr. Vij reviewed the text for the preface page that the Council provided direction to include on August 7, 2018. Mr. Vij then began his review of the TMP Process and Goals that had been revised. The report was revised to include a section on the TMP development process and the TMP goals have been updated per Council direction. Performance Measures were revised to clarify vehicular performance measures, to provide more emphasis on multi-modal goals and performance measures (page 62-63). Mr. Vij provided that under recommendations a new section was added to adopt sustainable multimodal performance measures.

Discussion was held regarding walk scores and how they are determine for a transportation project.

Mr. Vij reviewed the new section related to Autonomous Vehicles that was added under recommendations. Discussion was held regarding including mass transit utilizing autonomous vehicles. Mr. Vij indicated that the plan would be revised to ensure that it is included in the plan. Discussion was held regarding having an Autonomous Vehicles Plan.

Mr. Vij reviewed the strategies that were added to address included demand. He reviewed the revisions to Traffic Demand Management objectives and recommendations. He also reviewed Parking Demand Management and the creation of management districts for areas of paid parking and designating residential parking districts. Discussion was held regarding using license plate recognition in the neighborhoods to assist with parking issues.

Mr. Vij reviewed the revisions to the existing bike plan and explained that they will be adding San Antonio Street to the proposed bike plan. Discussion was held regarding bike and pedestrian connectivity from the east to west side of the city and creating options for our high usage areas. Discussion was held regarding creating more bike/ped trails being built in greenspaces and parks and multi-purposing the stormwater channels and creeks.

Discussion was held regarding the labeling of the appendices of the plan.

Mr. Vij reviewed the transfer of roadway ownership from TxDOT that the City will be pursuing. He then reviewed the next steps regarding council consideration, implementation, funding and TxDOT coordination.

Discussion was held regarding street widths and fire trucks being able to navigate them. Mr. Vij provided that fire has stated that they are not able to access streets smaller than 11 ft in width. Discussion was held regarding the CIP list being included as an appendix. Discussion was held regarding short term street projects that have identified that may be outside of the plan. Discussion was held regarding having signage at the end of public trails within greenspaces to let patrons know they are at the end of the public trail and about to enter private property. Discussion regarding the printer unfriendliness of the report due to the large amount of color in the report. Staff indicated that they will come up with a printer friendly version.

No further direction was provided.

III. Question and Answer Session with Press and Public.

Rodrigo Amaya, 729 Gravel Street, stated that he had concerns about the traffic congestion on Aquarena at Loli's due to people waiting to turn into their drive way. He wanted the City to look at addressing that issue.

IV. Adjournment.

Mayor Thomaides adjourned the Transportation Master Plan Workshop Meeting of the San Marcos City Council at 6:33 p.m.

Jamie Lee Case, TRMC, City Clerk

John Thomaides, Mayor

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