

Approved Meeting Minutes
Transportation Commission
Monday, September 23, 2013
Council Chambers - Village Hall

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Jack Chalabian called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Present: Jack Chalabian, Mark Patzloff, Michael Stewart, Craig Chesney, Lee Lazar

Excused: Andre Bonakdar

Staff: Jill Velan, Jim Budrick, Delia Tamas, Mike Koperniak,

Non-Agenda Item Public Comments

There were no non-agenda public comments.

Approval Of Tonight's Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Chesney motioned and Commissioner Stewart seconded, to approve tonight's meeting agenda as presented. The voice vote was unanimous to approve the motion.

Approval of the Draft July 22, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Chesney motioned to approve the July 22, 2013 Transportation Commission meeting minutes and Commissioner Patzloff seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

REVIEW OF THE Y9 ZONE/HARRISON STREET AREA-WIDE IMPLEMENTED PARKING CHANGES

Assistant Parking Services Manager Delia Tamas gave a presentation and explained the background about the parking changes on Harrison Street and their impacts.

Interim Parking Services Manager Jill Velan spoke about the bicycle sharing grant.

Chair Chalabian asked how the Harrison Street parking plan would be affected by potential Village Board of Trustees changes to the overnight parking ban.

The Commission and Staff discussed: how Y9 and Z9 permit holders were notified about the changes, existing and future demand versus capacity issues, the overnight parking ban, and the net effects of the implemented changes.

There being no further discussion and no need to make a motion, the Commission moved on to the next agenda item.

DEVELOP THE DRAFT 2014 TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION WORK PLAN

The Commission and Staff reviewed the status of the approved 2013 work plan items and discussed proposed items to include in the 2014 draft work plan. After considerable discussion, the Commission decided to include the following items in the draft 2014 work plan.

- Continue to review parking and traffic issues that come before it like stop sign petitions, parking restriction petitions, cul-de-sac petitions, and the like.
- Review updating the design and placement of parking related signs in the Village contingent upon funding to implement recommended changes. Proposed completion in 2nd quarter of 2014. (This is carried over from the 2013 work plan)
- Review way finding signs for downtown parking garages. To stay on work plan until further notice. (This is carried over from the 2013 work plan)
- Review the Oak Park Bicycle Plan adopted by the Village Board of Trustees in 2008. Proposed completion in 2nd quarter of 2014. (This is carried over from the 2013 work plan)
- Determine if the need exists for a comprehensive rewrite / update of all existing permitted and unpermitted parking restriction resolutions / motions / ordinances by means of an ad-hoc committee. If needed, the actual rewrite / update would take place under a future work plan. Proposed completion by the end of 2014. (This is carried over from the 2013 work plan)
- Review improving PACE / CTA bus stops in the Village. Proposed completion 1st quarter of 2014. (This is carried over from the 2013 work plan)

The draft 2014 work plan will tentatively be submitted to the Village Manager's Office by November 1, 2013.

There being no further discussion and no need to make a motion, the Commission moved on to the next agenda item.

DISCUSSION TO DEVELOP GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE "REVIEW PACE/CTA BUS STOPS IN THE VILLAGE" WORK PLAN ITEM

Staff Liaison Mike Koperniak gave a brief presentation on this issue.

Commissioner Patzloff commented that the Village should prioritize handicapped accessibility.

Village Engineer Budrick commented that the Village works with PACE and the CTA on where to place bus stop locations.

Chair Chalabian commented that the Village should work with PACE to install additional bus shelters. He also commented that PACE/CTA should be responsible for the spacing and location of the bus stops.

The Commission discussed the use of far side bus stops.

Commissioner Lazar encouraged the use of shallower bus shelters at locations where full size bus shelters won't fit.

The Commission discussed: the desire for more bus shelters and the need for more far side bus stop locations.

The Commission proceeded to develop a list of goals and objectives. Some goals and objectives mentioned include:

- Ask each agency why the bus shelters are located where they are
- Ask each agency what has been their operational problems
- Make bus stops more visible
- make bus stops more user friendly
- Obtain ridership statistics
- Find locations for additional bus shelters
- Find locations for additional far side bus stops
- Find and make inaccessible stops more accessible
- Ask each agency if their actual bus stops conform to their standards

The Commission ended this agenda item by indicating that Staff should invite CTA and PACE staff to the commission's October 28th meeting to discuss these issues.

There being no further business, Chair Chalabian motioned and Commissioner Lazar seconded to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectively submitted

Mike Koperniak, Staff Liaison to the Transportation Commission