

APPROVED Meeting Minutes
Transportation Commission
Monday, December 12, 2016
Council Chambers – Village Hall

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Chalabian called the meeting to order at 6:59 PM.

Present: Jack Chalabian, Kyle Eichenberger, Michael Stewart, Mark Patzloff, James Thompson, Joel Schoenmeyer

Excused: Craig Chesney

Staff: Mike Koperniak, John Youkhana, Mary Avinger

There was no non-agenda public testimony.

Approval of Tonight's Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Thompson motioned to approve the agenda as presented and was seconded by Commissioner Stewart. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Approval of the Draft November 28, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Eichenberger motioned to approve the draft November 28, 2016, Transportation Commission meeting minutes and was seconded by Commissioner Thompson. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

REVIEW THREE DRAFT VILLAGE-WIDE WAYFINDING SIGN SYSTEM DESIGNS

John Youkhana, the Assistant Parking Director, gave a brief presentation on the draft Village-wide wayfinding sign system designs and explained that staff would like to get the Commission's thoughts, opinions, and recommendations.

Chair Chalabian opened the discussion by asking if all Commissioners had a chance to review the three options and the Commissioners responded they did.

Commissioner Patzloff asked if the colors were set in stone and John Youkhana responded that everything is open to change.

Commissioner Eichenberger stated he likes design 3's motif but likes design 1's fonts.

Commissioner Stewart likes the Windows design the most, and then Grasslands, then modern design last. He thinks that the light gray on dark gray requires better contrast and that the Windows design is a nod to Frank Lloyd Wright.

Commissioner Thompson likes design one the most for its simplicity, then design three, then design two last.

Commissioner Schoenmeyer also liked design one the most, then design three, then design two last. He liked the Frank Lloyd Wright influence and feels that design one is functional, easy to read, and see. Commissioner Schoenmeyer feels that fancier design elements should be avoided.

Chair Chalabian stated that on page 17 of 49, the crosswalks will look good for a short while then start to fade; need to think of ongoing maintenance. He would like to see simple things; make it simple and sustainable.

Chair Chalabian stated design two and three looks great on paper and that he likes the modern look. He thinks there are some elements of the current signs that look good. Chair Chalabian supports design one but, thinks there is a way to pull elements from all three designs for one good design. He thinks all concepts look nice but design one is modern and more fitting to Village and agrees with Commissioner Stewart on some of the color issues – signs should be easy to read in day or night.

Chair Chalabian stated on big maps, Village should look at heads up versus north up orientation. For map kiosk in CTA stations, the Village should involve CTA with wayfinding signs to coordinate with their neighborhood maps inside stations.

Chair Chalabian thinks there should be a bread crumb and funnel approach – signs should provide more details the closer you reach your destination. Also the font has to be made more to contrast because signs need to be seen in low light. Chair Chalabian stated the Village also needs to consider how the Public Works Department would maintain the signs.

Commissioner Patzloff asked if any of the signs are reflective or will light up. John Youkhana responded there are rules about lights and reflective materials on signs depending on size but some parking signs will be lit.

Chair Chalabian stated whatever signs are chosen should be warm, inviting, inclusive of the environment, and have good lighting but should last a long time.

Commissioner Stewart likes design three because it gives a nod to the Frank Lloyd Wright prairie style which attracts tourists.

John Youkhana summarized the Commissioner's comments:

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Patzloff	Design 1	Design 3	Design 2
Stewart	Design 3	Design 1	Design 2
Chalabian	Design 1 and 3 tied		Design 2
Eichenberger	Design 3	Design 1	Design 2
Thompson	Design 1	Design 3	Design 2
Schoenmeyer	Design 1	Design 3	Design 2

Hot Topics
Font in #1 is good
Consider Legibility
Better Contrast In colors
Simple not complex
Consider Sustainability
Consider Initial Costs
Easy to Read
East to Understand for end-user (visitor)
Historic Touch
Hybrid of best things from all 3
Use Heads Up vs North Up Method
Consider Night Visibility
Consider Weather Visibility
Consider easy to use Brackets and Banning's
Consider Maintenance Friendly Materials
No to Street Painting
Use Bread Crum Philosophy

Chair Chalabian asked about the January agenda and Mike Koperniak responded that he will email the Commission with details.

Commissioner Stewart motioned to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Schoenmeyer.

The voice vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Respectively submitted

Mary Avinger

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Administrative Secretary