



**MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**  
Public Transportation Advisory Committee – Teleconference Meeting  
3712 Jackson Avenue, Bldg. 6, Room 325, Austin, Texas  
April 19, 2016 1:00 P.M.

**Committee Members Present and Participating:**

Rob Stephens, Chair  
John McBeth, Vice Chair  
J.R. Salazar

**Committee Members Participating via Teleconference:**

Michelle Bloomer  
Christina Crain  
Glenn Gadbois

**TxDOT Present and Participating:**

Eric Gleason, Director, Public Transportation Division (PTN)  
Josh Ribakove, Communications Manager, PTN  
Kelly Kirkland, Planning and Reporting Manager, PTN  
Ryan Granger, Federal Relations Representative, Federal Affairs (FED)  
Blake Calvert, Planner, State Legislative Affairs (SLA)

**AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order.**

Rob Stephens called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

**AGENDA ITEM 2: Safety Briefing.**

Josh Ribakove gave a safety briefing for attendees at 1:00 P.M.

**AGENDA ITEM 3: Approval of minutes from January 28, 2016 meeting (Action).**

**MOTION** John McBeth moved to approve the January 28, 2016 meeting minutes.

**SECOND** J.R. Salazar seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 1:02 P.M.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: TxDOT's Public Transportation Division Director's report to the committee regarding public transportation matters.**

This item was skipped due to time constraints.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: Presentation on federal authorization (Action).**

Ryan Granger from TxDOT Federal Affairs began his presentation at 1:02 P.M.

No action taken.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: Discussion of committee member John McBeth's white paper on urban growth and transit funding (Action).**

John McBeth began his presentation at 1:05 P.M.

Comments and discussion: Glenn Gadbois, Rob Stephens, John McBeth, Michelle Bloomer, Kelly Kirkland, J.R. Salazar.

Public Comment from Christina Bune, Finance & Administration Mgr., Ft. Bend County.

**MOTION** J.R. Salazar moved to adopt the white paper.

**SECOND** Christina Crain seconded the motion.

The motion passed at 1:39 P.M.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: Presentation and discussion on the Public Transportation Advisory Committee's (PTAC) legislative appropriations requests, past and present (Action).**

Eric Gleason initiated this discussion at 1:40 P.M. Kelly Kirkland began his presentation at 1:42 P.M.

Comments: Eric Gleason, Michelle Bloomer

Michael J. Walk, Associate Research Scientist, Texas A&M Transportation Institute, presented beginning at 1:49 P.M.

Questions and discussion: John McBeth, Glenn Gadbois, Rob Stephens, Eric Gleason

Committee member Glenn Gadbois left the meeting at 2:15 P.M.

Public Comment from Dave Marsh of Capital Area Rural Transportation System.

Discussion: Rob Stephens, John McBeth, J.R. Salazar, Eric Gleason

**MOTION** John McBeth moved to be allowed to draft a letter to the Texas Transportation Commission outlining PTAC's comments about TxDOT's LAR.

**SECOND** J.R. Salazar seconded the motion.

The motion passed at 2:46 P.M.

**AGENDA ITEM 8: Discussion of current and future committee membership (Action).**

Eric Gleason introduced this item at 2:47 P.M. Josh Ribakove began his presentation at 2:48 P.M.

Discussion: Rob Stephens, Eric Gleason, Michelle Bloomer, Christina Crain, J.R. Salazar.

Ms. Crain and Ms. Bloomer expressed a wish to have a full membership roster. Mr. McBeth and Mr. Salazar expressed a wish to have a SILC staff member appointed as a Transportation User Representative.

**MOTION** J.R. Salazar moved to request that TxDOT notify the appointing offices of vacancies on the committee, and of the committee's suggestions regarding membership.

**SECOND** John McBeth seconded the motion.

The motion passed at 3:01 P.M.

**AGENDA ITEM 9: Discussion and development of PTAC Work Plan based on PTAC's guiding principles and comments made at the January 22, 2015 meeting (Action).**

This standing item was deferred until the next meeting.

No action taken.

**AGENDA ITEM 10: Public Comment**

There were two public comments; however they were made during the agenda items they were about (items 6 and 7).

**AGENDA ITEM 11: Propose and Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting; confirm Date of Next Meeting (Action).**

Rob Stephens initiated and led this discussion beginning at 3:02 P.M.

No new agenda items were proposed.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 21, time TBD at TxDOT's Camp Hubbard campus.

**AGENDA ITEM 12: Adjourn (Action).**

**MOTION** J.R. Salazar moved to adjourn.

**SECOND** John McBeth seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 3:04 P.M.

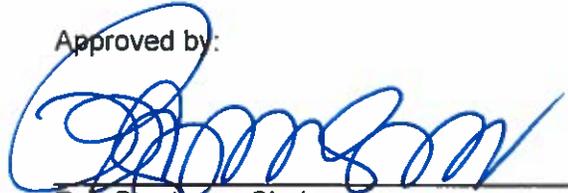
Prepared by:



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Josh Ribakove  
Public Transportation Division

Approved by:



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Rob Stephens, Chair  
Public Transportation Advisory Committee