MINUTES FOR ADOPTION
Bicycle Advisory Committee – Teleconference Meeting
200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin TX 78704 – Classroom C
January 22, 2018

BAC Committee Members Present and Participating:
Billy Hibbs, Tyler, Chair
Robert Gonzales, El Paso, Vice Chair
Shawn Twing, Amarillo
Karla Weaver, Dallas/Fort Worth
DawnElla Rust, Nacogdoches
David Ham, Midland
Cristian Sandoval, San Antonio
Jeffrey Pollack, Corpus Christi
Margaret O’Brien-Nelson, Houston (by phone)
Joseph Pitchford, Dallas (by phone)

TDOT Present and Participating:
Eric Gleason, Director, Public Transportation Division (PTN)
Donna Roberts, Section Director (PTN)
Teri Kaplan, Statewide Bicycle / Pedestrian Coordinator (PTN)
Bonnie Sherman, Planner (PTN)

Also Present and Participating:
Carl Seifert, Jacobs Engineering
Robin Stallings, BikeTexas

AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order.
Billy Hibbs began the proceedings at 10:00 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Safety Briefing.
Bonnie Sherman provided a safety briefing at 10:01 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Approval of Minutes from October 27, 2017, Meeting (Action).
Billy Hibbs introduced this item at 10:03 A.M.

MOTION       Shawn Twing moved to approve the October 27, 2017, meeting minutes.
SECOND        Bobby Gonzales seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 10:03 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Report from BAC chair.
Billy Hibbs delivered his report beginning at 10:03 A.M.

Comments received from Karla Weaver, DawnElla Rust, and Joseph Pitchford.
AGENDA ITEM 5: Report from TxDOT's Public Transportation Division Director regarding statewide bicycle and pedestrian matters.

Eric Gleason delivered his report beginning at 10:13 A.M.

Questions and comments received from Billy Hibbs.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Presentation on TxDOT's Texas Bicycle Tourism Trails Study (BTTS). (Action).

Billy Hibbs opened this item at 10:20 A.M. Carl Seifert, Jacobs Engineering, gave the presentation.

Comments received from Billy Hibbs, Eric Gleason, Karla Weaver, Bobby Gonzales, Teri Kaplan, DawnElla Rust, Cristian Sandoval, Margaret O'Brien-Nelson, Shawn Twing, and Jeffrey Pollack.

DawnElla Rust requested that TxDOT conduct a pilot project to evaluate best practices for development of the BTTS. Karla Weaver asked that the pilot project address multiple bikeway types. Cristian Sandoval recommended a marketing plan.

MOTION Shawn Twing moved for a strong endorsement for the Bicycle Advisory Committee for the adoption of the BTTS, the process used to establish the example network, and the products recommended as a result of the study presented at the meeting.

SECOND Cristian Sandoval seconded.

The motion passed unanimously at 11:12 AM.

AGENDA ITEM 7: Presentation on TxDOT's research project, Economic Impacts of Bicycles in Texas.

Brianne Glover presented this item beginning at 11:13 A.M.

Questions and comments received from Billy Hibbs, Eric Gleason, Margaret O'Brien-Nelson, Karla Weaver, Cristian Sandoval, DawnElla Rust, and Bobby Gonzales.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Presentation on TxDOT's new Bicycle and Pedestrian webpage.

Bonnie Sherman presented this item beginning at 11:30 A.M.

Questions and comments received from Cristian Sandoval, Margaret O'Brien-Nelson, Karla Weaver, Billy Hibbs, Teri Kaplan, and Eric Gleason.

AGENDA ITEM 9: Update from committee members on local and statewide issues.

Billy Hibbs introduced this item at 11:42 A.M.
Reports from BAC Members including: Margaret O'Brien-Nelson, David Ham, Cristian Sandoval, DawnElla Rust, Joseph Pitchford, Karla Weaver, Billy Hibbs, Jeffrey Pollack, and Bobby Gonzales.

AGENDA ITEM 10: Public comment – public comments will only be accepted in person.

Billy Hibbs introduced Robin Stallings, BikeTexas, at 11:57 A.M. Mr. Stallings commented on items 6 and 7 and encouraged BAC Members, presenters, and guests to attend the Texas Trails and Active Transportation Conference hosted by BikeTexas on May 2 - 4, 2018.

AGENDA ITEM 11: Discussion of agenda items for future BAC meetings. (Action)

Billy Hibbs opened this item at 12:03 P.M.

Comments: Billy Hibbs and Teri Kaplan.

AGENDA ITEM 12:05 Adjourn. (Action)

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 P.M by Billy Hibbs.

Prepared by:

Teri Kaplan
Public Transportation Division

Approved by:

Billy Hibbs
Chair, Bicycle Advisory Committee