

Mobility Solutions, Infrastructure & Sustainability Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: April 8, 2019

Convened: 2:03 p.m.

Adjourned: 3:38 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

Rickey D. Callahan, Vice Chair
Tennell Atkins
Sandy Greyson
Adam Medrano
Casey Thomas, II
Carolyn King Arnold

Committee Members Absent:

Lee M. Kleinman, Chair

Other Council Members Present:

Omar Narvaez

Presenters:

Majed Al-Ghafry, Assistant City Manager
Robert Perez, Director, Department of Public Works
Kris Sweckard, Director, Department of Sustainable Development & Construction
Richard Wagner, Assistant Director, Dallas Water Utilities

City Staff Present:

Mark Duebner, Department of Aviation
Neva Dean, Sustainable Development and Construction
Kris Sweckard, Sustainable Development and Construction
Richard Wagner, Dallas Water Utilities
Robert Perez, Department of Public Works
Jennifer Nicewander, Department of Public Works
Ashley Eubanks, Sustainable Development and Construction

Casey Burgess, City Attorney's Office
Terry Lowery, Dallas Water Utilities
Chris Turner-Noteware, Department of Public Works
Haroon Abdoh, Department of Public Works
Obeng Opoku-Acheampong, City Attorney's Office
Matt Penk, Dallas Water Utilities
Sarah Standifer, Dallas Water Utilities

AGENDA

Call to Order (2:03 p.m.)

1. Approval of the February 25, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Presenter(s): Rickey D. Callahan, Vice Chair

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Councilmember Greyson asked for clarification as to why the I-345 Multiple Use Agreement (item 4) was described as returning to the MSIS Committee when the motion had failed. Staff clarified that Councilmember Kleinman suggested that it could return to the Committee for further discussion. A motion was made to approve the minutes for the February 25, 2019, Mobility Solutions, Infrastructure & Sustainability Committee meeting, with Councilmember Greyson's suggested revision.

Motion made by: Casey Thomas, II
Item passed unanimously: X
Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: Adam Medrano
Item passed on a divided vote:
Item failed on a divided vote:

2. Infrastructure Management Program

Presenter(s): Robert Perez, Interim Director, Department of Public Works

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Councilmember Thomas asked for additional information regarding the Sidewalks for Seniors program, and about the process for temporary and permanent pothole filler. Councilmember Narvaez expressed support for the Sidewalks for Seniors program. Information only.

3. Zoning Property Owner Notification

Presenter(s): Kris Sweckard, Director, Department of Sustainable Development and Construction

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Staff briefed the Committee on this item in order to get feedback on potential amendments to the Dallas Development Code, specifically regarding property owner notifications and responses to zoning notifications. Councilmember Arnold suggested design changes to the zoning signs and notices in order to make them easier for the public to read. Several Councilmembers asked about pending litigation regarding the zoning case that brought about the questions posed in this briefing. The City Attorney noted that there was pending litigation. Information only.

4. Love Field / Bachman Lake – Feasibility Study

Presenter(s): Richard Wagner, Assistant Director, Dallas Water Utilities

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): The Committee members expressed support for the task force recommendation of maintaining the lake. Several Councilmembers asked about the cost and impact of dredging, as well as the current flows from Dallas Love Field Airport.

Motion made by: Adam Medrano

Item passed unanimously: X

Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: Sandy Greyson

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

5. April 10, 2019 City Council Agenda Item #49 – Margaret McDermott Bridge Status Update

Presenter(s): Sarah Standifer, Assistant Director, Dallas Water Utilities

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Councilmember Greyson asked about the total amount the City received from the sale of the land and easements, how the funding would have been used were it not to go towards the repairs of the bridge, and what would happen if the City Council did not approve the funding for the repairs. Staff stated that the total amount received from the sale was \$7.4 million, that these types of funds are generally placed into a general capital reserve and then appropriated annually by the City Council for major maintenance of various capital projects, and that if not funded, TxDOT would have to repay federal funds as part of their obligations to the federal government and may then come to the City to ask for repayment of the money due to the nature of the contracts. Councilmember Thomas asked about the original discovery of the issues with the bridge. Information only.

6. Upcoming Agenda Items

Presenter(s): Rickey D. Callahan, Vice Chair

Action Taken/ Committee Recommendation(s): Councilmember Greyson asked agenda item 20, regarding the inability of the utilities to retain the required aerial easements. Staff stated that aerial easements are more challenging to acquire than others. Councilmember Callahan asked for additional information on the Department of Aviation agenda items scheduled for City Council consideration on April 10, 2019. Mark Duebner, Director of the Department of Aviation, shared information regarding the funding and projects referenced in the items. No motion was made.

Adjourn (3:38 p.m.)

APPROVED BY:

**Lee M. Kleinman, Chair
Mobility Solutions, Infrastructure, &
Sustainability Committee**

ATTESTED BY:

**Kate Bower, Coordinator
Mobility Solutions, Infrastructure, &
Sustainability Committee**