

# THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE PROJECT CONNECT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONVENED

Wednesday, June 9, 2021 Conference Room 400A 1000 E 11th, Austin, TX 78702

(with some members of the CAC participating via video conference)

## **Members in Attendance:**

**Members Absent:** 

David Shapiro

Awais Azhar - Chair Susana Almanza – V. Chair Brianna Snitchler – Secretary Kathryn Broadwater Joao Paulo Connolly Gretchen Flatau Jeremy Hendricks

Jeremy Hendricks Theodore Fong

Alex Karner Renee Lopez

Elias Noe

Susan Somers

Ephraim Taylor

#### Attendees:

Brandon Carr Jackie Nirenberg
Courtney Chavez Edna Parra
Hala Farid Patrick Russell
Alyssa Hedge Lonny Stern
Terry Hockens Marla Torrado
Nefertitti Jackmon Jonathan Tanzer

# CALL TO ORDER

Miguel Lopez

The Project Connect Community Advisory Committee convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, June 9, 2022

Chair Azhar called the Committee meeting to order at 5:08 PM

# Land Acknowledgement

Miguel Lopez read the Land Acknowledgement statement.

#### Citizen Communication

No Public Comment was shared

## **Approval of Minutes**

1. Approve the minutes of the March 10, and March 23, 2022, meetings of the Project Connect Community Advisory Committee.

The minutes of the March 10, and March 23, 2022 meeting were approved on a motion by Member Gretchen Flatau, seconded by Member Somers; confirmed with a unanimous vote (12-0).

#### **Discussion Items**

# 1. Property Impacts and Continuing Acquisition Work

a. Presentation was not included due to staff availability

# 2. 30% Design Themes and Project Cost Update – Jackie Nirenberg

a. Jackie Nirenberg, Manager of Community Involvement for CapMetro, provided an update on the design themes and cost updates for the Project Connect Orange and Blue Lines. The presentation included a Q&A session.

## 3. Staff Updates

- a. Alyssa Hedge, Project Coordinator for the City of Austin Project Connect Office, presented on the Project Connect Interlocal Agreements (ILAs) related to the MetroRapid Lines as well as the McKalla Metrorail Station. The presentation was followed by Q&A.
- b. Alyssa Hedge, Project Coordinator for the City of Austin Project Connect Office, presented on the process to appoint a new ATP Board Member to replace Dr. Pierce-Burnette as the Community Planning or Sustainability Community Expert Director. The presentation was followed by Q&A.
- c. Courtney Chavez, Director of Equity and Inclusion for ATP, presented on updates to the ILAs and Next Steps as well as the potential site for ATP Combined Maintenance Facility.
  - i. Title VI Program Plan Adoption (July 2022)
  - ii. Workforce Development
  - iii. Equity Goals and Metrics process update
- d. Edna Parra, Community Engagement and Outreach Manager for CapMetro, provided an update on the Equitable Transit-Oriented Development (ETOD) transition from Phase 2 to Phase 3.

- e. Nefertitti Jackmon, Community Displacement Prevention Officer for the City of Austin, provided an update on the Anti-Displacement investments from the City of Austin Housing and Planning Department. Ms. Jackmon also provided an update on the Community Initiated Solutions.
  - i. The presentation was followed by Q&A.

#### **Action Item**

# 1. Appointment of CAC members to the Anti-Displacement Review Panel

- a. Chair Azhar provided an update for Anti-Displacement Review Panel
- b. Chair Azhar motions the CAC to appoint the following members to the Review Panel:
  - i. Members:
    - 1. Azhar
    - 2. Connolly
    - 3. Flatau
    - 4. Fong
    - 5. Somers
  - ii. Secretary Snitchler seconds the motion.
    - 1. Confirmed with a unanimous vote (11-0)
    - 2. Vice-Chair Almanza was not present on the dais.
- c. Chair Azhar motions the CAC to create a Design Working Group and appoint the following members to serve on the Working Group:
  - i. Members:
    - 1. Azhar
    - 2. Connolly
    - 3. Flatau
    - 4. Fong
    - 5. Snitchler
    - 6. Somers
  - ii. Member Connolly seconds the motion.
    - 1. Confirmed with a unanimous vote (11-0)
    - 2. Member Broadwater was not present on the dais.

## 2. CapMetro Fare Study

a. Edna Parra, Community Engagement and Outreach Manager for CapMetro, gave an update on the Potential Fare Program for CapMetro

#### 3. Working Group Updates

- a. Member Flatau gave an update on the Technical Advisory Working Group
- b. Member Broadwater gave an update on the Project Design and ETOD Working Group
- c. Chair Azhar gave an update on the Governance Working Group
- d. Member Karner gave an update on Equitable and Sustainable Planning Working Group

# ATX Transit Report Discussion

Title VI Service and Fare Equity Analysis

# **ADJOURN**

Chair Azhar adjourned the meeting at 7:56 PM without objection