

TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 28, 2018 6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center Room 2402, Evanston, IL 60201

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ald. Wynne, Ald. Revelle, A. Añón, L. Young, B. J. Miller, T. Dubin

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ald. Fleming

STAFF PRESENT: Transportation and Mobility Coordinator Jessica Hyink, Acting Director of

Administrative Services Kimberly Richardson, Senior Project Manager Sat Nagar

PRESIDING MEMBER: Ald. Wynne

1. Call to Order / Declaration of Quorum

Chairman Ald. Wynne declared a quorum at 6:04 P.M

2. Citizen Comments

There were comments from 2 citizens Dan Joseph and David Digioia related to maintaining the current bus schedules, with an emphasis on maintaining the 205 route for students of ETHS

David Reynolds made comments about the proposed parking analysis suggesting that we look at local issues first

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2018

Ald. Wynne wants to acknowledge the thoroughness of the minutes

Item 1

Motion to approve made by Ald. Revelle and seconded by B. Miller A vote was called and taken. Motion passed unanimously.

4. CTA and Pace projects update

Transportation and Mobility Coordinator Jessica Hyink went over the proposed plan that has been put out before and emphasized that no final decisions have been made at this time. Under the proposed plan Phase one may start in August 2018. The first tentatively scheduled public meeting is for April 24th at the Levy center. The topic of ease of use for ETHS students was a priority and Steven Andrews from Pace joined the presentation to alleviate any misconceptions about any changes in current routes.

Mr. Andrews states that any route changes would take student behaviors into account. Some issues brought up by the committee is the variety in the ETHS schedule (due to various extracurricular activities) also questions about weekend services and the fare cards used by students.

Mr. Andrews states that all these issues are being taken into account with any proposed change.

Jessica Hyink then goes over the proposed Pulse line spoke about the improved bus stops and the various amenities included with the proposed bus stops.

Public meetings for these lines were scheduled for 4/5 for CTA with Pace looking to announce the date of their next public meeting during the first week of April.

5. Loading Zone – 1007 Church

Acting Director of Administrative Services Kimberly Richardson went over the proposed change of a taxi cab stand to a 15 minute loading zone to provide relief to patients that visit the NorthShore Medical Group there.

Item 2

Motion to approve made by Ald. Revelle and seconded by L. Young A vote was called and taken. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Central Street Bridge - Remove Parking

Senior Project Manager Sat Nagar talked about how plans for the bridge changed. Originally it was thought that parking on the bridge was needed, however, with the current plan there was an opportunity to improve the aesthetic quality of the bridge. One such improvement is to include guardrails on both sides of the bridge; however, the inclusion of the guardrails would make it so parking on the bridge would not be able to be supported. The sidewalk will be wider on both side and there will be a complete street with biking lanes.

There was a question about the impact of removing the parking would have on the funding received to complete the project. Sat Nagar stated that there would be no impact.

Ald. Revelle also suggested that the parking was mainly used by people who worked in the area and that it shouldn't have an impact on the residents of the area.

Item 3

Motion to approve made by Ald. Revelle and seconded by T. Dubin A vote was called and taken. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion of Transportation & Parking Committee Membership

Acting Director of Administrative Services Kimberly Richardson goes over proposed changes from 9 to 7 members. A lot of the discussion regarding the change centered on defining what a multimodal member means. Would there need to be a specific member who meets the criteria or could the entire committees experience be used to define that this need is met. Currently the ordinance states that someone with multimodal experience is required. The new terminology would say that the committee endeavors to cover various modes which would be able to be

met by using the committees experience as a whole to fit any needs. Discrepancies between what is in the website and is in the current city code as far as the committees mission is a point of discussion. Using the complete streets policy as a guide in creating a new the mission statement of the committee is brought up. The new policy will be sure to have a definition section to define the various terms.

Item 4

The committee asked for a draft of the new resolution for review to be brought to the April meeting before it is submitted to the Rules Committee

8. Updates

Jessica Hyink provided updates on the Divvy program. Both membership and usage is up year to year. Some updated information with charts and graphs will be provided at an upcoming meeting however, she wanted to make sure the committee knows that things are going well.

A question is brought up about counting non-Divvy bike riders, and Jessica believes this is a worthwhile venture and will reach out to Northwestern and other various outlets to try to come up with a plan to count bikers.

L. Young brought up the red line / purple line revitalization plan. Jessica brings up a plan that the CTA has to study all the purple line stations. The study needs to take place before any funding would be available, however, non ADA compliant stations would be first to be repaired. Also once phase 1 begins then that opens up funding potentials.

9. Adjournment

A Motion to adjourn was made by Ald. Revelle at 7:10 P.M. A vote was called and then taken. Motion passed unanimously.

The next Committee Meeting is April 25, 2018.