PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION & PARKING COMMISSION MINUTES November 18, 2015

The Public Transportation and Parking Commission met on the above date at 9:15 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Public Works Department.

Members Present:	Ms. Jessica Faison	Mr. Brian Farkas	Mr. Charles Moore
	Mr. Will Russ	Mr. Dave Schwartz	
Staff Present:	Mr. Kevin Mulligan Mrs. Rachel Manning	Mr. Kenneth Jackson	Mr. Lamont Jackson
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Guests:

Council Liaison: Council Member Richard Croskery

I. WELCOME

Mr. Moore called the meeting to order and established a quorum was present.

II. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM

III. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

IV. APPROVAL OF October 21, 2015 MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Farkas to approve the October 21, 2015 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Croskery and passed unanimously.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business

VIII. OTHER – FYI

1. GREAT Monthly Report

Mr. Jackson presented the GREAT monthly report for review.

He discussed the decline in ridership and how he is working with the staff to seek improvements.

Councilman Croskery recommended placing benches at bus stops that didn't qualify for shelters. He explained how seating is needed at bus stops and benches would be efficient and cost effective.

2. Crosswalks Update

Mr. Mulligan presented the spreadsheet for crosswalks update. He explained how we need to raise self-awareness of where and how people are crossing the street.

There have been a total of thirty-one pedestrian/vehicle incidents, in Greenville, this year. Five of the incidents have been fatalities. Twenty-one of the incidents have been while crossing the street. Nineteen of the incidents were at areas where there are no crosswalks.

In an effort to make improvements on pedestrian crossings, the City is participating in a study with E.C.U. and D.O.T. Councilman Croskery recommended that Public Schools be included in the study as well.

Mr. Mulligan announced a public meeting that will discuss the 10th Street Corridor Safety Project. The meeting will be held at City Hall, RM 337 on December 8, 2015 at 5:00 PM.

3. Upcoming Projects & Meetings Information

Mr. Jackson stated they were continuing to work on the bus shelter project. There are seven property owners that have agreed to allow shelters at the bus stops. Two property owners have yet to be contacted, one of them being within the state right-of-way.

Signs have also been placed at bus stops to make passengers aware of the route changes. The signs will remain until at least twenty days after the changes take place.

4. GTAC Update

Mr. Jackson gave a report on the GTAC project. He stated the project design should be completed in December. It will be presented before the board sometime in early 2017. Preparation is still being done to obtain all properties needed for the project. No project bids will be made until ownership is obtained.

IX. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS FOR January 20, 2016

- Discuss upcoming issues
 - 1. Uptown Parking
 - 2. Help with ridership demographics
 - 3. Dickinson Avenue Changes/Development/Parking

X. ADJOURN MEETING

With there being no further business to conduct, Ms. Farkas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Schwartz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2016 at 9:15 a.m. in the Public Works Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Manning, Secretary Public Transportation & Parking Commission