



**MIDTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
PARKING BENEFIT DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

May 9, 2024, 3:00 p.m.

Midtown Management District Offices, 1st Floor Conference Room
410 Pierce Street, Houston, Texas 77002

The Parking Official was present, and the meeting was open to the public.

<p>1. Roll Call</p>	<p>Maggie Segrich Scarlett Yarborough Scott Irby</p> <p>All of the above-named were present except Committee Member Cynthia Aceves-Lewis.</p> <p>Also, in attendance were:</p> <p>Midtown Staff members Chrystal Davis, Cynthia Alvarado, and Jeremy Rocha; Peggy Foreman of Burney and Foreman (via video conference) Maria Irshad, Deputy Director, ParkHouston, City of Houston Administration and Regulatory Affairs Department; Jennifer Gribble and Lydia Guidry of Super Neighborhood #62, Laura Knutson of Houston Bike Share, and Rachel Ray-Welsh, Hunaid Udaipurwala, and Mohammad Rajani of Walter P Moore and Associates.</p>
<p>2. Public comments</p>	<p>There were no public comments.</p>
<p>3. Consent Agenda</p>	<p>Mrs. Chrystal Davis presented the Consent Agenda.</p> <p>A motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Minutes for the March 7, 2024, Midtown Parking Benefit District (“MPBD”) Advisory Committee meeting) as presented was made by Committee Member Irby. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Yarborough and was carried by unanimous vote.</p>
<p>4. Updates from ParkHouston</p>	<p>Maria Irshad, Deputy Director of the City of Houston (the “City”) Administration and Regulatory Affairs Department presented the</p>

	<p>income statement for the MPBD showing year-to-date revenues and expenses for the period from July 2023 through April 2024. She also highlighted amounts allocated for MPBD's current projects that were approved by the Director of the City's Administration and Regulatory Affairs Department and the remaining funds available for future projects.</p>
<p>5. Current Parking Benefit District Projects</p>	<p>The staff provided an update regarding implementation of the currently approved projects.</p> <p>a. Houston Bike Share Maintenance Agreement Extension</p> <p>Laura Knuston of Houston Bike Share requested a temporary extension of funding for the maintenance costs for four (4) previously closed Houston Bike Share stations in Midtown, while negotiations continue for longer term funding. Committee Member Yarborough made a motion to recommend approval to extend the payment of maintenance costs for four (4) previously closed Houston Bike Share stations in Midtown for an additional three (3) months beginning June 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2024 in the amount of \$7,500.00. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Irby. Following all discussion, the motion was carried by unanimous vote.</p> <p>Ms. Knuston again, thanked the Committee for its continued support of efforts to make bike sharing available widely available in Midtown. She stated that Houston Bike Share is still looking at various avenues to obtain longer-term funding of maintenance costs for the four (4) bike stations located in Midtown.</p> <p>b. Loud Noise Ordinance Enforcement Update</p> <p>There was discussion but no action was taken.</p> <p>c. Artistic Meter Wrapping</p> <p>There was discussion but no action was taken.</p> <p>d. Speed Feedback Sign Study</p> <p>Mohammad Rajani of Walter P. Moore and Associates presented the results of the Speed Feedback Sign Study. In</p>

	<p>response to questions from Committee Members, he committed to provide a total estimated cost of installing Speed Feedback Signage as a pilot project as recommended, at the next Advisory Committee meeting.</p>
<p>6. Potential Midtown Parking Benefit District Projects</p>	<p>a. Sidewalk Replacement/Repair</p> <p>There was discussion but no action was taken.</p> <p>b. Installation of Additional Lighting</p> <p>There was discussion but no action was taken.</p> <p>c. Clean & Safe Signage</p> <p>There was discussion but no action was taken.</p> <p>d. HPD Central Patrol Midtown Initiative</p> <p>There was discussion but no action was taken.</p> <p>e. Future Projects</p> <p>i. Sgt. Brian Alms of the Houston Police Department (HPD) Central Division presented the written proposal for a Midtown Bicycle Patrol. The proposal recommended that 2 “off-duty” HPD officers patrol the District on bikes in 4-hour shifts 4 days per week. He further stated that the initiative will give officers the opportunity to engage more directly with the Midtown community, as officers be asked to actively seek out businesses and introduce themselves while patrolling the District.</p> <p>Sgt. Alms stated that the Bike Patrol Officers will use their own bicycles and will be responsible for maintenance at their own expense. He also stated that the Bike Patrol Officers will be equipped with all necessary equipment to perform their duties the same as if they were in a marked patrol car. The Bike Patrol officers would be able to issue citations and make arrests when necessary, with the assistance of a marked HPD unit to transport suspects to jail.</p>

	<p>Sgt. Alms also stated that the Midtown Bike Patrol project could begin fairly quickly after approval.</p> <p>Committee Member Yarborough made a motion to approve the Midtown Bicycle Patrol project for 6 months at a cost of \$42,240.00. The motion was seconded by Committee Member and carried by unanimous vote.</p>
7. Announcements	Next meeting will be Thursday, September 19, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.
8. Adjourn	There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Committee meetings are open to the public. For special needs or information about this Committee, please contact Chrystal Davis at 713-526-7577 or crobinsondavis@midtownhouston.com.





 Maggie Segrich
 Committee Chair

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 Date