

# Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

## Meeting Record

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**Meeting Date:** August 17, 2020

**Convened:** 1:01 p.m.

**Adjourned:** 3:05 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:**

Lee Kleinman, Chair  
Adam Medrano, Vice Chair  
Tennell Atkins  
Adam Bazaldua  
David Blewett  
Adam McGough  
Chad West

**Committee Members Absent:**

N/A

**Other Council Members Present:**

Cara Mendelsohn

**Presenters:**

Majed Al-Ghafry, Assistant City Manager, City Manager's Office  
Ghassan Khankarli, Assistant Director, Department of Transportation  
Robert Perez, Director, Department of Public Works  
Sean Donohue, Chief Executive Officer, DFW Airport  
Chad Makovsky, Executive Vice President of Operations, DFW Airport  
Chris Poinsatte, Chief Financial Officer, DFW Airport  
Travis Kelly, Vice President, Texas Central  
Tom Ryden, Senior Project Manager, Lockwood, Andrews, & Newman, Inc.  
Molly Carroll, Executive for High-Speed Rail and Interagency Relations, City of Dallas  
Michael Rogers, Director, Department of Transportation

### AGENDA

Call to Order (1:01 p.m.)

**A. Approval of the June 15, 2020 Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Presenter(s):** Lee Kleinman, Chair

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** A motion was made to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2020 Transportation and Infrastructure Committee meeting.

Motion made by: Adam Medrano  
Item passed unanimously: X  
Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: Tennell Atkins  
Item passed on a divided vote:  
Item failed on a divided vote:

**B. Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Forecast**

**Presenter(s):** Lee Kleinman, Chair

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Information only.

**C. Interagency Transportation Report – August 2020**

**Presenter(s):** Ghassan Khankarli, Assistant Director, Department of Transportation

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Information only.

**D. Upcoming Department of Public Works Agenda Item for Sidewalk Master Plan**

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

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Staff provided an overview of an upcoming agenda item for funding to begin a sidewalk master plan. Councilmember Atkins requested a map and timeline for the sidewalk master plan. Staff committed to providing the Committee with a map of all the identified projects. Information only.

**E. Overview of Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport Operations**

**Presenter(s):** Sean Donohue, Chief Executive Officer, DFW Airport; Chad Makovsky, Executive Vice President of Operations, DFW Airport; Chris Poinsett, Chief Financial Officer, DFW Airport

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** DFW Airport staff provided an overview of their operations, finances, and response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Several Councilmembers asked about the airport's budget and ability to use CARES Act funding to address debt service and operating expenses. Mr. Poinsett, CFO, stated that DFW Airport is using CARES Act funding for debt service, but cannot use it to offset lost revenue. Information only.

**F. High-Speed Rail Update**

**Presenter(s):** Travis Kelly, Vice President, Texas Central; Tom Ryden, Senior Project Manager, Lockwood, Andrews, & Newman, Inc.; Molly Carroll, Executive for High-Speed Rail and Interagency Relations, City of Dallas

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Staff from Texas Central, LAN, and the City shared an update on the High-Speed Rail project, potential multi-modal facility, and recent milestone updates. Councilmember West asked about the proximity of Lot E to transit connections and emphasized the need to address first and last-mile connections. Councilmember West and Councilmember Atkins requested that staff maintain communication with developers who have planned projects near Lot E to ensure coordination. Councilmember Mendelsohn emphasized the importance of the Omni Hotel and encouraged staff to highlight the asset in the planning process. Information only.

**G. Dallas Streetcar Operations and Maintenance**

**Presenter(s):** Michael Rogers, Director, Department of Transportation

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** City staff provided a funding strategy for the operations and maintenance of the Dallas Streetcar for FY20 and FY21. The Committee was supportive of the strategy as it does not rely on the General Fund. Information only.

**H. Process for Multiple Use Agreement Amendments with the Texas Department of Transportation**

**Presenter(s):** Michael Rogers, Director, Department of Transportation

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Committee Members asked about the extent of the City's rights and responsibilities in the proposed process and expressed concern about the requirement for construction to begin within twelve months. Information only.

Adjourn (3:05 p.m.)

**APPROVED BY:**

**ATTESTED BY:**

**Lee Kleinman, Chair**  
**Transportation & Infrastructure Committee**

**Kate Bower, Coordinator**  
**Transportation & Infrastructure Committee**