

## Transportation Services Advisory Committee Meeting Wednesday, January 11, 2012

Absent:

Attending: Mr. Mike Caruso Dr. Merna Jacobsen Mr. Joe Dillard Mr. Robert Jensen Ms. Flora Reeves Dr. Angie Hill Price Dr. Clint Magill Dr. Joe Newton Mr. Robert Pottberg Mr. Rod Weis Dr. C. J. Woods Mr. Peter Lange Ms. Jennifer Slovacek Mr. Tyler Moquin Dr. Beverly Kuhn Mr. Thomas McNutt Dr. Thomas Strganac Dr. Bani Mallick Mr. Chase McCaskill Jaime Brannan Ms. Casi Willbanks Mr. Kyle Womack Dr. Jonathan Coopersmith

Special Guests: Mr. Chris Harris and Mr. Blake Hodge from Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

Guests:	Mr. Kenny Kimball	Ms. Debbie Hoffmann	Mr. Doug Williams
	Ms. Rose Berryhill	Ms. Therese Kucera	Ms. Lana Wolken

## 1. Opening of Meeting

- 1.1. Meeting called to order by Peter Lange and members were requested to review minutes from November 2, 2011
- 1.2. Mr. Lange asked for any other corrections; none noted
  - 1.2.1.Dr. Newton made a motion to approve the minutes;
  - 1.2.2.Ms. Jennifer Slovacek 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion to approve the minutes; all voted in favor; minutes approved
- 1.3. Mr. Lange then introduced Dr. Merna Jacobsen, and guests from Kimley-Horn-Chris Harris and Blake Hodge
- 2. Construction- Joe Routt Boulevard from Houston to Throckmorton; West Lamar and Koldus Plaza
  - 2.1. Dr. Loftin requested that we begin working on the Joe Routt Boulevard and Koldus Plaza between Houston and Throckmorton Streets. Two options:
    - 2.1.1. #1 Leaves the design of Joe Routt Boulevard between Houston and Throckmorton Streets the same but would improve the surface and add two at-grade crosswalks

- 2.1.2. #2 Involves closing the westbound lanes of Joe Routt Boulevard between Houston and Throckmorton Streets, creating a pedestrian-friendly extension of the MSC plaza and continuing the one-way, eastbound vehicular traffic pattern established on Joe Routt Boulevard between Stallings Boulevard to Houston Street.
- 2.1.3.Dr. Price stated that the plus side to both options is that it would not be limited access
- 2.1.4.Dr. Price asked how long would the project take to complete and Mr. Lange reported about 4 months
- 2.1.5.Dr. Price asked when will it begin
  - 2.1.5.1. Mr. Lange informed the committee that the President's Office would announce in the Presidents message the option that was chosen. The project will still need to go through the Council of the Built Environment (CBE) and through the appropriate CBE sub committees.
- 2.1.6. This project will be funded by the University

## 2.2. West Lamar

- 2.2.1. The plan for West Lamar is a lot like it is currently; because the circulation will be the same
- 2.2.2. Peter informed the committee members that it moves the disabled parking spaces from the street to the MSC circle, has an open lane for buses, increases the number of motor cycle spaces and still has a lane for traffic shared by vehicles and bikes but has no dedicated bike lanes
- 2.2.3. This presentation can be located at: <u>http://transport.tamu.edu/tsac.aspx</u>
- 2.3. The committee reviewed a map that identified all of the construction projects on campus.
  - 2.3.1.In an effort to finish the Ross Street project Lot 32 will be closed for 2 weeks2.3.2.Lot 23 will be closed for renovation this summer and customers will be relocated for the renovations
  - 2.3.3. During Spring Break construction will begin in Lot 48 and completed in phases
- 2.3.4. Future projects will include Lot 46 will get an asphalt overlay and the entries to Lot 46 and 48 will be replaced with concrete. Lot 59 is also scheduled to be redone as the last portion of the project.
- 3. Accessible Parking Study from Blake Hodge with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.
  - 3.1. This study began because of irregularity in the requirements in reports given to the State when buildings are added to campus and lots are resurfaced. The reporting requirements are designed to ensure accessible parking in lots is in compliance with current standards.
  - 3.2. The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulations has approved the zonal approach for the lots on the TAMU campus. The campus has been divided into 52 defined parking zones
  - 3.3. Number of required handicapped spaces based on Zonal analysis = 607
  - 3.4. There is a need to add and/or reallocate 124 accessible spaces to campus in 22 different zones and a plan was developed for these future accessible parking spaces. The spaces will be done during the next 4 years
  - 3.5. This presentation can be located at : <u>http://transport.tamu.edu/tsac.aspx</u>

## 4. Additional Business

- 4.1. Dr. Price request for future business to discuss the limited access to the central part of the TAMU campus related to golf carts and other small utility vehicles driving on sidewalks and beyond gates and bollards. If it is truly a limited access campus then there should be some policies and procedures
  4.1.1.The policy needs to include a policy/guidelines for using golf carts and SMV (slow moving vehicles)
  - **4.1.1.1.** Peter requested for this topic to be included in the March 2012 meeting