

Austin Transit Partnership Board of Directors Resolution Meeting Date: 9/20/2023

ATP-2023-016

Approval of amendments to the Project Connect Community Advisory Committee's Bylaws and JPA to establish the reappointment process and new member application process

<u>Subject:</u> Approval of amendments to the Project Connect Community Advisory Committee's bylaws related to membership composition, terms of membership, appointment process, staff liaison roles, and meetings, and authorize negotiation and execution of related amendments to the Joint Powers Agreement between the City, the Austin Transit Partnership, and CapMetro.

**Fiscal Impact:** This action has no fiscal impact.

<u>Business Case:</u> The CAC must be approved by the CapMetro Board, Austin Transit Partnership Board, and the Austin City Council. The Joint Powers Agreement was adopted by all three bodies, and can be amended by approval of all three bodies.

**Responsible Department:** Planning, Community, and Federal Programs.

<u>Executive Summary:</u> The Project Connect Community Advisory Committee (CAC) supports the advancement of the Project Connect program by engaging the community and providing recommendations to staff. The CAC members were initially appointed in January 2021 to support implementation of the Project Connect program. Over the past three years, the CAC has been meeting at least monthly to guide the City of Austin, CapMetro, and the ATP on the transit investment.

Bylaws are necessary to increase transparency by consolidating all CAC structural elements into one document (currently spread across the CAC Bylaws and the Joint Powers Agreement), clarify logistics and support for the work of the CAC, and increase community access to the CAC by clarifying membership, appointment and reappointment processes, etc.

The Bylaws changes are proposed by staff from the City, CapMetro, and ATP, and have been guided by input from the CAC. The JPA amendment removes references to membership and appointment of CAC Members to consolidate this information within the Bylaws.

**Procurement Summary:** None.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Summary: Does not apply.



## RESOLUTION OF THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

STATE OF TEXAS
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**WHEREAS,** the Project Connect Community Advisory Committee (CAC) was created to guide implementation of Project Connect; and

**WHEREAS,** CapMetro, the City of Austin, and Austin Transit Partnership (ATP) benefit from partnership and collaboration with the Project Connect Community Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Project Connect Community Advisory Committee Bylaws and the Joint Powers Agreement between the City, CapMetro, and ATP must be amended to enhance the work of the CAC, ensure broader community access to the CAC and clarify staff roles in relation to supporting the CAC;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of ATP approves the Project Connect Community Advisory Committee Bylaws as written in Exhibit A, and amends the Joint Powers Agreement as written in Exhibit B.

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