
City of San Antonio Transportation Advisory Board (TAB)

Transportation Advisory Board Minutes Wednesday, March 23, 2022

Board Members Present:

George Mery
George Garcia
Robert Gonzales
Eddie Rodriguez
Ty Edwards
Javier Tristan
Ryan Rocha – Chief of Operations, Aviation Department

Board Members Absent:

Others Present

Rick Riley, Assistant Police Director SAPD; Janette Torres-Gloria, Administrative Services Officer SAPD; Gary Gilbert, Administrative Service Manager SAPD; James Kopp, Assistant City Attorney, Joe Herrera, Ground Transportation Unit Supervisor SAPD

Guests

None

Roll Call & Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gilbert at 5:02 pm. A Roll Call followed, and at least six (6) voting board members were present, and a quorum was established.

1. Approval of Minutes:

Approval of Minutes for February 28, 2022.

T. Edwards moved for approval; R. Gonzales seconded the motion.

For: All **Against:** None **Abstentions:** None **Minutes Approved**

2. Public Comments:

None

Briefing and Possible Action on the following Items:

3. Taxicab Rates of Fare

Mr. Gilbert presented two different rate requests that he had received from the Taxicab Industry.

After some discussion, the following motions were made to make the recommended amendments to Chapter 33, Article VIII (Taxicabs), Sec. 33-981 (Rates of Fares):

- Mr. Gonzales made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 (c) to the minimum rate charge on any trip originating at the San Antonio International Airport or any pre-arranged trips from \$10.50 to **\$20.00**. Second; G. Mery.

For: Gonzales, Mery, Garcia, Tristan, Rodriguez **Against:** None
Abstentions: Edwards **Motion Approved**

Mr. Gonzales made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 (d) to the minimum rate charge on any trip originating in the “downtown rate zone” from \$5.00 to **\$10.00**. Second; G. Mery.

For: All **Against:** None **Abstentions:** None **Motion Approved**

- Mr. Gonzales made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 (a) to the per hour Wait time from \$24.00 per hour to **\$27.00 per hour**. Second; T. Edwards.

For: All **Against:** None **Abstentions:** None **Motion Approved**

- Mr. Edwards made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 to add a fee for extra passengers: Taxicabs may charge \$2.00 per passenger if the fare has more than four passengers, not to exceed a total of \$4.00 additional charge. Second; R. Gonzales.

For: All **Against:** None **Abstentions:** None **Motion Approved**

- Mr. Edwards made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 (a) to the drop rate from \$2.50 per trip to **\$3.50 per hour** and to remove Sec. 33-981 (e) Taxicab night rate. Second; R. Gonzales.

For: All **Against:** None **Abstentions:** None **Motion Approved**

- Mr. Edwards made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 (a) to the per mile rate from \$2.35 per mile to **\$2.70 per mile**. Second; R. Gonzales.

For: All **Against:** None **Abstentions:** None **Motion Approved**

4. Taxicab Fuel Surcharge:

After some discussion, Mr. Edwards made a motion recommending the amendment to Chapter 33, Article VIII (Taxicabs), Sec. 33-981 (k) from “increases or decreases more than \$.50 for the last effective date” to “**increase or decrease more than \$.25 from the last effective date**” and to remove “**however, no more than 2 fuel surcharge adjustments may be done in a calendar year.**” Second; R. Gonzales.

For: All **Against:** None **Abstentions:** None **Motion Approved**

5. TAB Meeting Dates (Update):

Mr. Gilbert presented the TAB with an updated TAB Schedule that outlined the Wednesday dates and asked the members if they were okay with holding the meeting at the Public Safety Headquarters. Mr. Gilbert asked for a motion to approve the dates and location.

Mr. Edwards made a motion to accept the new meeting dates and location. Second; R. Gonzales.

For: All **Against:** None **Abstentions:** None **Motion Approved**

Request for items to be placed on future agenda:

- Taxicab company requirement to have a minimum of 3 taxicabs
- Discussion on the Limousine industry

6. Announcements:

None

7. Adjournment:

Motion made by Mr. Gonzales and seconded by Mr. Edwards.

For: All **Against:** None

Meeting adjourned at 5:51 pm

George Mery
TAB Vice-Chairperson

Gary J. Gilbert
Administrative Services Manager
Recorder/Transcriber of Minutes