

TMC



TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER

STRATEGY & OPERATIONS COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 21, 2016

12 – 1:30 p.m.

TMC Executive Offices – Trevisio

Council Member's Present:

Miguel Machado, Baylor College of Medicine

Robert Trieu, Baylor College of Medicine

Michael Jackson, Texas Children's

Heidi Zachman, Texas Children's

Kevin Kirby, Rice University

Matt Woodard,

Ron Kelemen, St. Luke's Health

Hao Nguyen, The Health Museum

Craig Cordola, Memorial Hermann

Diane Confer, MD Anderson

Sid Sanders, Houston Methodist

Guest Speakers Present:

Bryan Brown, Walter P. Moore

Dezra Nauls, Starvanpool

Jamila Owens, Starvanpool

Kenny Meador, Center Point Energy

Maya Ford,

Marlen Trujillo, SBCHC

Isaac Perez, Houston Galveston Area Council

Veronica Baxter Lamb, Houston Galveston Area Council

Erika Heinz, Nuride

Tosin Yusuf, VA

TMC Employees Present:

Abbey Roberson, VP of Planning

Shawn Cloonan, General Counsel

Tatum Boatwright, Marketing Associate

David Pollard, Operations Center Supervisor

HIGHLIGHTS

I. Welcome & Introductions – Shawn Cloonan, TMC General Counsel & Abbey Roberson, VP Planning

- The meeting commenced shortly after noon. Shawn introduced Abbey to the council and everyone around the room introduced themselves.

II. TMC Updates – Abbey Roberson, VP of Planning

- Bike Share Program
 - Abbey introduced the Bike Share Program that will be placed throughout the Texas Medical Center campus. The idea behind starting the bike share program will be for TMC students, employees and visitors to be use the bikes to get around the campus. The funding for the program will be coming from the state and TMC will do a matching program to add bike share stations throughout the campus. The council was presented with the 14 stations that are planned to be stationed throughout the medical center.
 - As this project progresses, the council will be provided with updates on bike locations and the timeline for implementation. The goal to launch this program is set for the end of this year or the beginning of next year.
- Parking Management Area
 - Parking Management Area is a major topic that is discussed in the medical center. As the campus continues to increase, the parking issue is becoming a larger topic of interest. The TMC team is working on creating a master list of inventory for parking lots and parking garages throughout the campus. The team will continue to work with member institutions to keep them updated on this topic, as well as, gather enough data to build a snap shot for the entire campus to use.
 - Special Parking Area is another topic that was discussed in the meeting. This is a parking management system that can be used to determine if we need to update the PMA. This is an opportunity to see if a PMA covers the correct and proper areas of our campus with parking. Before future steps, the TMC is working with city and partner institutions to make it reflective of what the medical center encompasses.
- Long-Term Transportation Planning

- As the TMC campus is expanding and grow, the TMC is working with institutions in developing a plan overtime for parking and transportation long term.

III. Discussion: Transportation around the Texas Medical Center campus

- The council piggy backed off of the long term planning discussion as they transferred into the discussion on transportation in and around the TMC campus. The members were invited to discuss as a council the current and potential issues and opportunities the TMC has with transportation.
- Sid Sanders, Senior VP of Campus Master Planning, Capital Construction, Facility Council & Real Estate at Houston Methodist brought up the issue on the parking and its exposure to the environment. As staff, contractors and vendors come into the institutions they consume a lot of the parking available for patients. The council suggested that keeping the spots open for patients and to create an efficient way to have employees park outside of the TMC campus and be shuttled in to work would resolve this problem.
- Walter P. Moore provided an update to the council on the existing projects they are working on for the TMC. Currently, they are surveying the existing land and how to align the environment to reduce the overall travel time in campus. The main steps for this is to understand the route structures that are present and the areas that generate problems. Walter P. Moore will identify proposed solutions to allow everyone to see the path moving forward to fix the issues in and around campus.
- NuRide is an online tool that helps you find carpool matches and provides rewards for greener trips. This is used as a measurement tool to study the emission reduction for a specific region, such as the TMC campus or member institutions. The end goal of this program is to eliminate the amount of air pollution throughout our campus.

IV. Guest Speaker: Update of Vanpool in the Texas Medical Center - Dezra J. Nauls – METRO STAR

- METRO STAR was invited to speak at our council to talk about one of the greatest solutions for parking and transit in our campus. This is not just an issue that is on the TMC campus but it is along the corridor as well across the city to provide solutions.
- Vanpooling is a solution that allows 8 to 10 people who work in the same area the ability to ride and park together in one van. This is an effective way to get employees in and out of the medical center while minimizing the amount of cars that are brought on campus. Currently, we have 124 vans that are being driven to the TMC campus each day and are bringing employees from multiple institutions.
- When looking at the statistics after one year's statistics the TMC has saved \$2.3 Million dollars on gas. This is removing fuel savings and pollutants on our campus.

- The next steps with vanpooling in to increase the outreach and awareness, as well as, work with more institutions to create more employees using this solution.

V. Announcements

VI. Action Items:

- **Council Members:** Please see the map of the planned bike share locations. If you have any comments or other suggestions please email Abbey Roberson (aroberson@tmc.edu)
- **Council Members:** If you have any additional agenda items you would like to discuss at the upcoming council meeting, please send these to Tatum Boatwright (tboatwright@tmc.edu)
- **Council Members:** If you have any questions or would like to learn more about vanpooling please contact Dezra J. Nauls (dezra@starvanpool.com)

Next Meeting:

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