

CITY OF CORAL GABLES  
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD  
HYBRID MEETING AT CITY HALL/ZOOM  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 30, 2021

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Kevin Mase	*	P	(+ -)	P	P	P	E	P	E	P	E	P	Menendez
Silvia Pinera-Vazquez	/	/	(+ -)	/	/	/	/	/	*	P	P	P	Fors
Steven Williamson	P	P	(+ -)	A	A	P-V	P-V	P	E	P	P	P	Mayor
Debbie Swain	P	P	(+ -)	P-V	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	VM Mena
Sue Kawalerski	P	P	(+ -)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Anderson
Roberta Neway	/	/	(+ -)	/	/	/	/	/	/	P	P	P	Commission
Peter Wood	P	P	(+ -)	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	City Manager

P: Present in person      P: Present virtually (zoom)      <sup>V</sup> Virtual Meeting  
 E- Excused Absence      A- Absent      <sup>H</sup> Hybrid  
 \*-New Member      (+ -) No Meeting

**Staff:** Melissa de Zayas, Sr. Multimodal Transportation Engineer  
 Jeanne Espinal, Assistant to the Public Works Director

**Guest:** Gordon Sokoloff  
 Maria Cruz  
 James Berlin  
 Thomas O'Malley

**Call to Order:** Special Meeting was called to order by the Acting Chair Sue Kawalerski at 5:43 PM. All members were present.

**Election of Chair and Vice-Chair:** The acting chair Kawalerski introduced the two (2) members that submitted their resumes and letters of intent for the positions: Peter Wood and Sue Kawalerski.

The Acting Chair Kawalerski introduced Mr. Peter Wood. Mr. Wood shared his background, work experience, community involvement and why he is running for chair. Ms. Kawalerski was introduced, shared back background, work experience, community involvement and reasons why she was running for the Chair after

**Public Comments:**

- Maria Cruz: Spoke in support of Ms. Kawalerski and recommended to the Board to elect her as the chair.
- James Berlin: Spoke in support of Ms. Kawalerski and recommended to the Board to elect her as the chair.
- Thomas O Malley: Spoke in support of Ms. Kawalerski and recommended to the Board to elect her as the chair.
- Gordon Sokoloff: Spoke in support of Ms. Kawalerski and recommended to the Board to elect her as the chair.

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- Debbie Swain: commended Sue Kawalerski for her role of acting chair and stated the reasons why she was supporting Peter Wood.
- Silvia Pinera-Vazquez: Explained why she got involved in local government and stated why she was in support of Sue Kawalerski.
- Roberta Neway: Expressed that she has deep respect for both Sue Kawalerski and Peter Wood, and explained why she was supporting Peter Wood.

***Debbie Swain motioned for Peter Wood to be Chair and Sue Kawalerski Vice-Chair. The Motion was seconded by Roberta Neway and voted upon. Debbie Swain, Peter Wood and Roberta Neway voted in favor. The motion did not pass.***

***Silvia Pinera-Vasquez motioned for Sue Kawalerski to be elected Chair and Peter Wood Vice-Chair. The motion was seconded by Sue Kawalerski and voted upon. Sue Kawalerski, Kevin Mase, Silvia Pinera-Vazquez and Steve Williamson voted in favor. The motion was passed.***

**Commission Meeting:** The newly elected chair Kawalerski informed the board that her and Roberta Neway attended the August 24 Commission Meeting and the Commission approved the sidewalk funding resolution and they will be restoring Public Works' sidewalk funding.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 6:22 PM.

**Next Meeting:** September 21, 2021