

## Sunday November 8th (continued)

*10:20-10:35 am: Morning Break, Salon E*

**10:35 am-12:30 pm: Plenary, Salon E**  
**9. Communicating with Government Officials**

Moderator: Baruch Feigenbaum, Reason Foundation  
**Alan Pisarski**, Independent Consultant  
**Tom Rubin**, Independent Consultant  
**Bob Pishue**, Director of Transportation at Washington Policy Center  
Additional Speakers TBA

*Lunch, Wrap Up 12:30-1:30 pm, Salon E*

*Meeting American Dream Coalition 1:30-3:00 pm, Lonestar 1*

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## 2015 American Dream Conference Agenda

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### Friday November 6th

#### *Optional Tour of Austin Metropolitan Area*

8:00 am-3:30 pm: Bus tour of Austin land use and transportation projects.  
The bus leaves at 8:00 am sharp; please gather in the lobby at 7:45 am.

**4:00-5:30 pm: Registration, Salon E**

#### **1. Reception, Buffet Dinner, and Congressman Blake Farenthold**

5:30-6:15 pm: Welcome Reception, Salon E

6:15 pm: Buffet Dinner, Salon E

7:00 pm: Welcome to the Conference from **Butch Porter**, President of the American Dream Coalition

7:05 pm: Welcome to Austin from **Gerald Daugherty**, Precinct Three Commissioner Travis County

7:10 pm: U.S. **Congressman Blake Farenthold** (R-TX27), The Federal Role in Transportation and the Debate over Reauthorization

### Saturday November 7th

8:00-8:05 am: Welcome from Baruch Feigenbaum, Reason Foundation, Salon E

**8:05-10:05 am: Plenary, Salon E**

#### **2. Everything's Bigger in Texas: Transportation, Housing & Affordability**

Moderator: Randal O'Toole, Cato Institute

**Vance Ginn** (Texas Public Policy Foundation), Texas Tax Structure

**James Quintero** (Texas Public Policy Foundation), Texas Housing Costs

**Ginger Goodin** (Texas A&M Transportation Institute), Texas Transportation Funding

**Mike Heiligenstein** (Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority), Texas Transportation Funding

## Saturday November 7th (continued)

*10:05-10:20 am: Morning Break, Salon E*

*10:20 am-12:15 pm: Transportation Sessions (Choose 1 of 2)*

### **3A. Transit: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly Salon E**

Moderator: John Charles, Cascade Policy Institute  
**Len Gilroy** (Reason Foundation), Phoenix Light Rail System  
**Joseph Warren** (Arlington Transit Advisory Committee), Arlington Streetcar  
**Tom Rubin** (Independent Consultant), Transport Affordability  
**Randal O'Toole** (Cato Institute), The Future of Mass Transit

### **3B. Transportation Experts Present the Latest Developments Lone Star I**

Moderator: Baruch Feigenbaum  
**Michael Sargent** (Heritage Foundation), Eliminating Diversions  
**Trey Baker** (Texas A&M Transportation Institute), Funding/Financing Research  
**Ron Utt** (Independent Consultant), Performance Based State Transportation Systems: Be Careful What you Wish for  
**Marc Scribner** (Competitive Enterprise Institute), Self Driving Cars

*12:15-1:20 pm: Lunch, Salon E*

### **4. Taxis and Ridesharing**

Moderator: Randal O'Toole, Cato Institute  
**Megan Forbes** (Institute for Justice), Bowling Green Ohio Taxi Case  
**Jesse Hathaway** (Heartland Institute), Ridesharing Services versus Taxis

*1:30-3:30 pm: Plenary, Salon E*

### **5. The Future of Affordability**

Moderator: Marc Scribner, Competitive Enterprise Institute  
**Wendell Cox** (Independent Consultant), Housing Affordability  
**Randal O'Toole** (Cato Institute), Disparate Impact  
**Baruch Feigenbaum** (Reason Foundation), Transport Affordability  
**Alan Pisarski** (Independent Consultant), The Future of Transport and Affordability

## Saturday November 7th (continued)

*3:30-3:45 pm: Afternoon Break, Salon E*

*3:45-5:15 pm: Land Use and Environment Sessions (Choose 1 of 2)*

### **6A. Energy and Environment Salon E**

Moderator: Wendell Cox (Independent Consultant)  
**Kathleen White** (Texas Public Policy Foundation), Energy  
**Marlo Lewis** (Competitive Enterprise Institute), Ethanol Subsidies  
**Ed Kildruff** (Independent Consultant), Wetlands

### **6B. Land Use and Urbanism Lone Star I**

Moderator: Len Gilroy  
**Scott Beyers** (Independent Journalist), Market Urbanism  
**Tory Gattis** (Center for Opportunity Urbanism), Opportunity Urbanism  
**Samuel Staley** (Florida State University), The Hidden Regulatory Costs of Land Use Planning and Growth Management

*Reception 6:15-7:15 pm, Salon D*

*Dinner 7:15-7:45 pm, Salon D*

### **7. Debate on Government-funded Rail Transit Expansion in Austin**

Moderator: Katherine Kersten, Center of the American Experiment  
**Dave Dobbs** (Austin Rail Now), For  
**Thomas Rubin** (Independent Consultant), Against

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8:00-8:05 am: Welcome from Eileen Bruskewitz, Executive Director of the American Dream Coalition, Salon E

### **8:05-10:20 am: Plenary, Salon E**

### **8. How to Stop Problematic Projects**

Moderator: Eileen Bruskewitz  
**Jeff Judson**, San Antonio Streetcar  
**Vince May**, Texas Rail  
**Jim Skaggs**, Austin Rail Extension  
**Barbara Haselden**, Tampa Rail Proposal  
**Glen Morgan**, Visual Approaches for Grassroots Activism