Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Mayor and Council Transit Task Force and to the general public that the Mayor and Council Transit Task Force will hold the following meeting which will be open to the public.

Mayor and Council Transit Task Force
MINUTES

Monday, February 2, 2015, 4:00 p.m.

Location 201 N. Stone, 6th Floor, Public Works Building
Tucson, AZ 85701

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1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m. with seven (7) of the eleven (11) members present which established a quorum.

2. Introductions / Roll Call

Members Present:
Eugene Caywood, Chair (Ward 5)
Suzanne Schafer, Vice Chair (Ward 3)
Margot Garcia, (Ward 6)
Michael Wall (Mayor)
Sami Hamed (CTAC)
Brian Flagg (Ward 2)
Linda Dobbyn (CTAC)
David Heineking, U of A Advisory Member

Members Absent:
Peggy Hutchison (Ward 1)
Vacant (Ward 4)
Vacant (CTAC)
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Staff Present:
Jeremy Papuga, Transit Administrator
Kate Riley, General Manager of Sun Tran/Sun Van
Jared Forte, Assistant General Manager of Sun Tran/Sun Van
Kandi Young, Marketing & Communications Director for Sun Tran/Sun Van
Davita Mueller, Sun Tran Planning Analyst
Pat Richter, Pass Program Manager
Rhonda Lugo, Sun Tran Finance Director

3. Approval of January 5, 2014 Minutes

Motion: *A motion was made to approve the minutes as submitted.*

Seconded

Motion Passed: *Unanimously*

4. Call to the Audience

Allen Benz – Mr. Benz stated that he was at City Hall for a meeting concerning the Ronstadt Transit Center and noticed that there was no provision for the Redevelopment Plans to be evaluated by the Transit Task force.

Jim Thomas – Mr. Thomas commented on the difference between a San Diego transit stop he visited and the Ronstadt Transit Center. He noted that the San Diego transit stop had a clean bathroom with toilet paper and no graffiti and said that the Ronstadt Transit Center was just the opposite.

Richard Mayers –Thanked staff for their help in answering questions and Mr. Wall for the invitation to the recent Open House. Mr. Bayer expressed his concern for the treatment of bike riders by the streetcar drivers. He would like a policy for the streetcar to yield to cyclists, especially if they need to turn left in front of the streetcar.

Maria Cadaxa – Ms. Cadaxa also commented that streetcar drivers need to be friendlier to cyclists.

Jim Hannan – Mr. Hannan commented on the fact that Pima Community College does not sell semester passes. He applauded Pat Richter for his efforts in working with PCC on the passes.

5. Update on Transit/Announcements

Jeremy Papuga discussed the Ronstadt Transit Center Redevelopment. There will be opportunities to review the RFP and provide comments. Members of the TTF requested that they be part of the RFP approval Process and review the submitted proposals. Mr. Papuga answered that he understood the Task Force's request for input.

Mr. Caywood formally appointed Margot Garcia as the TTF representative to the PAG 2045 Stakeholder Group. Mr. Papuga said he would find out more information about the upcoming meetings.

6. New Fare Product Analysis, Marketing Strategies and Implementation

Kate Riley gave a presentation on the New Fare Product Analysis. She said that a copy of the presentation would be sent to the members and it will also be posted on the web site.

Mr. Papuga said that a portion of this item will be on the February 18 Mayor and Council Agenda to keep them informed of the process. Kate Riley continued with the presentation and discussion took place.

Motion: *A motion was made to move forward with the recommendations from staff.*

Seconded

Motion passed: *Unanimously*

7. Continued SunGo Fare Payment Presentation

Gene Caywood noted that this was a continuation of the previous conversations. There was no presentation, but there were responses to the questions that Suzanne Schafer had posed. Kate Riley then answered Ms. Schafer's questions one by one. Discussion followed.

8. Overview of FY16 Budget Process

Members of the TTF stated that they would like to see the proposed budget before it goes to Mayor and Council. Discussion took place. The budget goes to the City Manager on April 22, 2015.

9. Call to the Audience

Allen Benz – Mr. Benz suggested that the TTF should be co-equal partners with the Ronstadt Transit Center selection committee. Mr. Benz also clarified information that bus riders can reload their card at the City of South Tucson City Hall.

Maria Cadaxa – Mr. Cadaxa commented that the youth/children fares should be the same as Senior fares. Ms. Cadaxa also stated that she supports a Summer Pass for Youth.

Jim Thomss – Mr. Thomas commented that he likes the annual pass market around tax time.

Camille Kershner – Mr. Kershner commented on the annual and 31 day passes. She stated that it should not be more convenient to drive a car than to take public transit. Ms. Kershner would like to be able to buy both Parks & Rec passes and Transit passes at Parks & Rec at the same time.

10. Next meeting date and time/Meeting schedule

The next meeting was tentatively set for Monday, March 2, 2015. Discussion took place on whether the TTF should meet more than once a month. It was decided and agreed that there should be one meeting a month, but the next meeting will be two hours.

11. Agenda Items upcoming meeting