



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, November 9, 2015, 4:00 p.m.

Location: 149 N. Stone, Second Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 4:01 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)
Linda Dobbyn (CTAC)
Margot Garcia, (Ward 6)
Sami Hamed (CTAC)
Michael Wall (Mayor)
Peggy Hutchison (Ward 1)

Members Absent: Brian Flagg (Ward 2)
David Heineking, U of A Advisory Member
Vacant (Ward 4)
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Staff Present: Jeremy Papuga, Transit Administrator
Carlos de Leon, Deputy Director of Transportation
Kate Riley, General Manager of Sun Tran/Sun Van
Jared Forte, Assistant General Manager of Sun Tran/Sun Van
Davita Mueller, Sun Tran Planning Analyst

3. Approval of October 5, 2015 Minutes

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

Seconded

Motion Passed: *Unanimously*

4. Call to the Audience

Richard Mayers –Mr. Mayers expressed his concern over the fact that smoking is still allowed at the Transit Centers. He suggested that with the redesign of the Ronstadt Center, maybe there should be a policy that doesn't allow smoking everywhere in the Transit Center.

Mr. Mayers also asked whether Routes 9 and 3 could stop at 7th street and 6th Avenue.

5. Update on Transit/Announcements

Jeremy Papuga introduced Nick Scherer, the new Transit Coordinator.

There will be two Open Houses in regard to the Ronstadt Transit Center Redevelopment. The first will be on November 11 at the Green Valley Library and the other will be November 19 at the U of A Student Union. Comments will be posted online.

Mr. Papuga stated that there was no update on the Transit Visioning Process.

The 2017 Budget Process is getting underway. Mr. Papuga stated that he has not heard from the Budget Department yet.

Margot Garcia said there will be a Transit Working Group meeting tomorrow. Topics will include a High Capacity Transit Study

Jeremy Papuga stated that PAG is looking for a group to enhance public transit.

6. CTAC Committee Restructuring

Carlos de Leon spoke about the restructuring of the Citizens' Advisory Committee (CTAC). He said the committee was originally set up to advise the Mayor and Council, but he suggested that it should advise the Department of Transportation.

One of the ideas of the restructured CTAC would be that a member of the CTAC would be the chair of any special project task force, such as a citizen advisory task force for a road project. Margot Garcia suggested that while it might be a good idea to have a CTAC member chair a citizen task force in the beginning, the citizens should be asked to elect their task force chair after a specified time, say six months. Discussion followed.

7. Next Steps JWA Transit Workshop Report Recommendations

At the Mayor and Council meeting on October 8, the Mayor and Council authorized direct City Manager to:

1. Proceed with audits of the operations and management of the transit system as provided under the City's management agreement with TransDev/PTM,

2. Engage with Pima Association of Governments (PAG) and other relevant stakeholders to examine alternative management models for transit with a focus on determining appropriate actions and improvements to support the long-term sustainability of the transit system to meet the needs of our community.

Jeremy Papuga passed out copies of the Transit Choices Workshop Report from June 23, 2015. He suggested that the TTF support the frequent network priorities identified in the Jarrett Walker and Associates Transit Choices Report and use those priorities to guide future transit service improvements.

Staff will bring maps and cost estimates to the next meeting.

8. Discussion on SunGO Program

A discussion took place on the SunGo products and some of the issues that have come up in the past.

9. Call to the Audience

10. Next meeting date and time/Meeting schedule

The next meeting will be on Monday, December 7, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

11. Agenda items upcoming meeting

Items suggested for the next Agenda included an update on the Summer Youth Pass.

12. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.