

PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY BOARD
Advisory committee to the Mayor on public transit issues

Meeting Minutes July 27, 2020
3:45 p.m.
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MEMBER PARTICIPANTS:	STAFF PARTICIPANTS:
Brett Glirbas	Robert Speeks, General Manager
Jeri Reed	Tierza Lanham, Paratransit Manger
Jason Van Engen (joined via phone)	
Sean Garney	Sam Trebilcock, Senior Planner
Allen Svennes	Shawna Goldammer, Planning Proj. Coord.
Erik Nelson (joined via phone)	Ryan Weisenbach, Maintenance Manager
Absent Member: Mike Lynch	Glenn Wright, Operations Manager
Citizen Participants:	
Bailey Abbott	

Call to Order and Quorum Determination: Brett Glirbas, Chair called the meeting to order at 3:48pm. It was noted that the meeting was being recorded, providing for a list of participants. Member participants represented a quorum. The only PTAB member not on the call was Mike Lynch.

1. **Meeting Procedures:** Shawna Goldammer read the meeting procedures for the videoconference meeting.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Erik Nelson and a second by Allen Svennes to approve the July 27, 2020 PTAB agenda. 6 yes - 0 no. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **PTAB Meeting Minutes Approval of June 22, 2020:** A motion was made by Jeri Reed and a second by Allen Svennes to approve the May 4, 2020 teleconference PTAB agenda. 6 yes - 0 no. The motion passed unanimously.
4. **Public input on non-agenda items:** Chairman Brett Glirbas asked if there was any public input on non-agenda items. None was provided.

Unfinished Business

5. **Election of Officers:** Shawna Goldammer explained that both Brett Glirbas and Jeri Reed have agreed to serve another term as Chair and Vice Chair. Per the PTAB by-laws, officers can serve no more than two consecutive years in the role as chair and vice chair. She then asked the board if there were any other nominations for either Chair or Vice Chair and if there were none, the motion could be crafted to nominate both the Chair and Vice Chair, and cast a unanimous vote for both nominees. Jason Van Engen made a motion to nominate Brett Glirbas for Chair, and Jeri Reed for Vice Chair, with a unanimous vote to elect both as nominated. The motion was seconded by Al Svennes. 6 yes - 0 no. The motion passed unanimously. She then congratulated both Brett and Jeri, and turned the meeting over to Chair Glirbas.

New Business

6. **Report: June 2020 Operations Report:** Robert Speeks presented the June 2020 operations report. After the presentation the board asked for additional ridership information, and a Robert provided pre-covid (June 2019) ridership information.
7. **Update: Transit Saturday Pilot Project:** Sam Trebilcock explained that contract negotiations are underway with Pantonium and should be completed in the coming weeks. The City Council meeting for contract approval is expected to be in September. Once the contract is approved the project will move into the implementation stage. Sam then noted that in addition to public involvement on the pilot project, a final Transit Core team report will be presented to PTAB in August, with a presentation of this final report going to the City Council in September.

8. **Public Hearing: 5307 Program of Projects 2020:** Shawna Goldammer explained that under the 5307 program, two separate awards will be requested. The publication of the notice of the program of projects was presented. She went on to explain the funding for the Urbanized Area formula program and that the operating assistance in this program requires a 50 % local match. The eligible expenses will total \$5,454,106 with \$2.7 million from the FTA and \$2.7 million from the City of Sioux Falls Transit Fund. Additionally, although not required, the program of projects hearing includes the CARES Act funding program of operating assistance and purchase of fixed route buses. She also explained that the opportunity for the public to comment is open until August 31, 2020.

The chair then asked if a motion was needed to open a public hearing.

Shawna explained that it is assumed that this is open to public comment and input as part of the agenda item. No separate motion would be needed because it is open to comment at this time. The public was then asked to provide comment

Baily Abbott then asked questions regarding the purchase of the buses. Shawna explained that the buses being replaced are manufactured by Gillig. The purchase of the buses starts with a request for bid that include specifications. Any company can bid. Shawna went on to say FTA does allow a process called piggybacking, that allows another agency to release the bid, with the understanding that another jurisdiction would also be utilizing the same request for bids. Sean Garney made a motion to accept the grant proposal (program of projects), and the motion was seconded by Jeri Reed. 6 yes - 0 no. Motion passes.

9. **Discussion: PTAB Paratransit Rider Subcommittee** Brett Glirbas explained that he had a conversation with Sam T and Shawna G about creating a committee of riders. He then asked Sam T to explain the general idea of a quarterly meeting to allow riders to attend a meeting at a different time than PTAB, to get riders input. Sean G questioned the formality of the committee and organizational structure of the committee. Sam explained that the idea would be to not have it to formal, but have a few members of PTAB. After some discussion, the board asked staff to put together more information on a ridership subcommittee.
10. **Announcements:** Shawna Goldammer introduced Bailey Abbot who will fill Jason Van Engen's remaining term beginning in August.

Sam explained that Randy Hartman retired at the end of June, and Robert Speeks has been selected as the new general manager.

Next PTAB meeting: August 24, 2020: WebEx Meeting

11. **Adjournment** A motion was made by Jeri Reed and a second by Jason Van Engen to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50pm.