



MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

Public Transportation Advisory Committee – Teleconference Meeting
200 E. Riverside Drive Auditorium, Austin, Texas
January 26, 2017 1:00 P.M.

Committee Members Present and Participating:

Rob Stephens, Chair
John McBeth, Vice Chair
J.R. Salazar
Jim Cline

Committee Members Participating via Teleconference:

Christina Crain
Michelle Bloomer

TxDOT Present and Participating:

Eric Gleason, Director, Public Transportation Division (PTN)
Josh Ribakove, Communications Manager, PTN

AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order.

Rob Stephens called the meeting to order at 1:01 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Safety Briefing (taken out of order).

Josh Ribakove gave a safety briefing for attendees at 1:02 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Introduction of all current Public Transportation Advisory Committee (PTAC) members.

Rob Stephens opened this item at 1:03 P.M. All attending members provided a brief spoken introduction about themselves.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Approval of minutes from September 27, 2016 meeting (Action).

Rob Stephens opened this item at 1:06 P.M.

MOTION John McBeth moved to approve the September 27, 2016 meeting minutes.

SECOND J.R. Salazar seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 1:07 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM 5: TxDOT's Public Transportation Division Director's report to the committee regarding public transportation matters.

Eric Gleason began his report at 1:08 P.M. The report touched on TxDOT's recent business meeting for transit operators, the transit academy in the Rio Grande Valley, federal apportionments, the next steps in the regionally coordinated transportation planning process, and the recently completed §5310 program public workshops and new §5310 scoring process.

Questions and comments from John McBeth and J.R. Salazar.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Update on transit needs assessment work (Action).

Rob Stephens asked Eric Gleason to open this item at 1:15 P.M. Mr. Gleason introduced Michael Walk from the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI), who began his presentation at 1:17 P.M.

Discussion among Rob Stephens, J.R. Salazar, Michael Walk, Eric Gleason, John McBeth, Jim Cline.

MOTION John McBeth moved to include Saturday/Weekend service in the assessment.

SECOND Christina Melton Crain seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 1:46 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM 7: Review and discussion of areas of Texas Administrative Code under consideration for 2017 rulemaking efforts (Action).

Eric Gleason introduced this item at 1:46 P.M. He identified the pertinent areas of code, examined why those areas were suggested, and proposed a schedule for future discussions.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Discussion and development of PTAC Work Plan based on PTAC's guiding principles and comments made at the January 22, 2015 meeting (Action).

Rob Stephens led this discussion beginning at 1:57 P.M.

No action taken.

AGENDA ITEM 9: Public Comment

Rob Stephens introduced this item at 2 P.M.

Public comment from Judy Telge of Coastal Bend Center for Independent Living. She had positive comments about the §5310 Public Workshop that was held in her area, and she hopes to be engaged in future discussions about options "like Uber" in rural areas.

AGENDA ITEM 10: Propose and Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting; confirm Date of Next Meeting (Action).

Rob Stephens initiated and led this discussion beginning at 2:05 P.M. He suggested that "rules" be included in the next agenda.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 1 P.M. Time and location TBD.

AGENDA ITEM 12: Adjourn (Action).

MOTION John McBeth moved to adjourn.

SECOND J.R. Salazar seconded the motion.

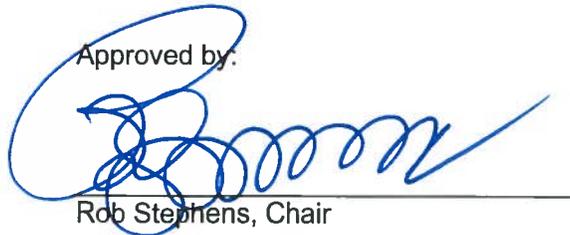
Meeting adjourned at 2:08 P.M.

Prepared by:



Josh Ribakove

Approved by:



Rob Stephens, Chair