

MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

Public Transportation Advisory Committee – Teleconference Meeting
200 E. Riverside Drive Room 2B.1, Austin, Texas
September 18, 2018 10:00 A.M.

Committee Members Present and Participating:

John McBeth, Chair
Jim Cline, Vice Chair
J.R. Salazar
Ken Fickes
Marc K. Whyte
Dietrich M. Von Biedenfeld

Committee Members Participating via Teleconference:

None

TxDOT Present and Participating:

Eric Gleason, Director, Public Transportation Division (PTN)
Mark Sprick, Section Director, Public Transportation Division
Theo Kosub, Planner, Public Transportation Division
Josh Ribakove, Communications Manager, PTN

AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order.

John McBeth called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Safety Briefing.

Josh Ribakove gave a safety briefing for attendees at 10:01 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Introduction of Public Transportation Advisory Committee (PTAC) members and comments from members.

All members introduced themselves beginning at 10:02 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Approval of minutes from May 8, 2018 meeting (Action).

John McBeth opened this item at 10:04 A.M.

MOTION Jim Cline moved to approve the May 8, 2018 meeting minutes.

SECOND Ken Fickes seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 10:05 A.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 10:05 A.M. The report touched on May/June 2018 Texas Transportation Commission actions, the State Safety Oversight program, FTA section 5329 disaster relief funding, a notice of funding availability in the FTA section 5339 bus and bus facilities program, TxDOT's 2020/2021 Legislative Appropriations Request, and items the Public Transportation Division hopes will be approved at the Texas Transportation Commission's September meeting.

Questions and comments: Ken Fickes, Jim Cline, John McBeth.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Discussion of Federal Transit Administration (FTA)-required Transit Asset Management plans (Action).

Eric Gleason introduced this topic at 10:28 A.M. The presentation was given by Theo Kosub.

Questions and comments: Ken Fickes, Jim Cline, Eric Gleason.

No action taken.

AGENDA ITEM 7: Discussion of performance trends noted in the 2017 Texas Transit Statistics report (Action).

Eric Gleason introduced this topic at 10:45 A.M.

Questions and comments: John McBeth, J.R. Salazar, Jim Cline, Eric Gleason.

No action taken.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Discussion on FY19 work program topics including, but not limited to:

- **Implementation strategies in anticipation of additional funding included in TxDOT's 2020/2021 Legislative Appropriations Request**
- **Administrative rule revisions in response to FTA Public Transportation Safety Program final rule (672, 673)**
- **Review of Intercity Bus program priorities and practices**

(Action).

Eric Gleason introduced this item at 11:01 A.M. and presented on implementation strategies in anticipation of additional funding included in TxDOT's 2020/2021 Legislative Appropriations Request.

Questions and comments: John McBeth, Jim Cline, Ken Fickes.

Mark Sprick presented on administrative rule revisions in response to FTA Public Transportation Safety Program final rule (672, 673).

Questions and comments: Ken Fickes, Jim Cline, John McBeth, Eric Gleason.

Eric Gleason presented on PTN's review of Intercity Bus program priorities and practices.

Questions and comments: John McBeth, J.R. Salazar, Ken Fickes, Jim Cline.

No action taken.

AGENDA ITEM 9: Public Comment

John McBeth introduced this item at 11:50 A.M.

Eric R. Backes introduced himself as the new director of the Texas Transit Association.

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

John McBeth initiated and led this discussion beginning at 11:51 A.M.

Ken Fickes suggested Transportation Development Credits (TDC) as a topic, pointing out inconsistencies among TxDOT and Texas Metropolitan Planning Organizations in how the TDC process is implemented. John McBeth requested that at the next meeting TxDOT report on the amount of TDC awarded in recent years. Jim Cline requested information on how TDC are used.

The PTAC members in attendance agreed that the next meeting should be held in early December. A specific date was not agreed upon.

No action taken.

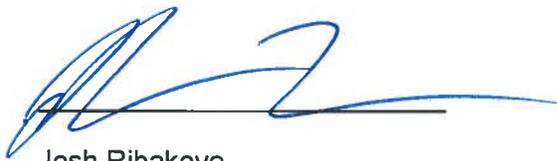
AGENDA ITEM 11: Adjourn (Action).

MOTION Jim Cline moved to adjourn.

SECOND Ken Fickes seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 12:04 P.M.

Prepared by:



Josh Ribakove
Public Transportation Division

Approved by:



John McBeth, Chair
Public Transportation Advisory Committee