

**MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**  
Public Transportation Advisory Committee – Webex Meeting  
July 28, 2020 10:00 A.M.

**Committee Members Present and Participating: None (Virtual Meeting via Webex)**

**Committee Members Participating via Webex:**

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

**TxDOT Participating via Webex:**

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

**Other Party Participating via Webex:**

Jimmy Cardenas, Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI)

**AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to order.**

John McBeth called the meeting to order at 10:05 A.M.

**AGENDA ITEM 2: Safety briefing with guidance on virtual meeting participation**

Josh Ribakove briefed meeting attendees on virtual meeting protocols including how public comments can be submitted via Webex at 10:06 A.M.

**AGENDA ITEM 3: Approval of minutes from April 28, 2020 meeting (Action).**

John McBeth opened this item at 10:07 A.M.

**MOTION** Ken Fickes moved to approve the April 28, 2020 minutes.

**SECOND** Jim Cline seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously at 10:08 A.M.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: Approval of minutes from April 28, 2020 meeting (Action).**

John McBeth opened this item at 10:08 A.M.

**MOTION** J.R. Salazar moved to approve the May 26, 2020 minutes.

**SECOND** Marc K. Whyte seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously at 10:09 A.M.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: Presentation and discussion on rural ridership trends (Action).**

John McBeth introduced the item at 10:10 am. Eric Gleason gave an introduction to the main presentation, from Jimmy Cardenas of the Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI).

Questions/comments from Eric Gleason, J.R. Salazar, John McBeth, Jim Cline  
Public Comment on this item from Ellen Smith, Director, Sun Metro, El Paso  
Responses from Eric Gleason, Jimmy Cardenas, John McBeth

No action taken.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: Public Comment**

John McBeth introduced this item at 11:15 A.M.  
Public Comment from Jane Westfall  
Response from Jimmy Cardenas

**AGENDA ITEM 9: Propose and Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting; confirm date of next meeting (Action).**

John McBeth initiated and led this discussion beginning at 11:20 A.M. Proposed items included federal CARES Act funding, state appropriations, and Texas' intercity bus program. October 27 was chosen for the subsequent meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM 10: Adjourn (Action).**

**MOTION** Jim Cline moved to adjourn.

**SECOND** J.R. Salazar seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously at 11:24 A.M.

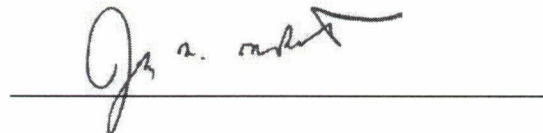
Meeting adjourned at 11:24 A.M.

Prepared by:



Josh Ribakove  
Public Transportation Division

Approved by:



John McBeth, Chair  
Public Transportation Advisory Committee