

# SALEM CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC TRANSIT COMMITTEE

# February 13, 2018 Traffic Control Center Conference Room 325 **MEETING NOTES**

# **MEMBERS PRESENT**

James Alderson Sadie Carney Ian Davidson Rebekah Engle

Chris Hoy, Councilor (by phone)

Cesar Ibarra

Steve McCoid, Councilor (Chair)

Allan Pollock Meg Rowe **Nick Williams** Cy Smith

Jim Lewis, Councilor

Alan Scott Chuck Bennett, Mayor Cristina Marquez-Guerrero

**MEMBERS ABSENT** 

**STAFF PRESENT** 

Carol McMann Julie Warncke

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Ken Adams Colleen Busch Kathy Lincoln

# 1. Call to Order

Joshua Taverne

Councilor Steve McCoid called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

### 2. INTRODUCTIONS

Each Committee member introduced themselves, brief background, and their connection to public transit.

#### 3. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION - COMMITTEE SCOPE

Committee Members discussed the scope of the committee. Member Sadie Carney distributed a handout with suggestions for a process to develop recommendations to Council (attached). Member Carney also shared a document titled "Transit Improvement – Actions, Tools, and Policy Changes (and the categories into which they fit)". This document will be shared with all committee members.

#### 4. TRANSIT SERVICE EXPANSION PROPOSAL

Allan Pollock discussed the proposed option for expanding Cherriots service to include evening, weekends and holidays. He explained as well as Julie demonstrated on the computer that the public and committee members could go to Cherriots website under the tab "Better Cherriots" and look at the various options proposed and take a survey. The changes would take effect September 2018 and September 2019.

## 5. CITY-RELATED BARRIERS TO TRANSIT

Due to time constraints, this item was delayed until the next meeting.

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### 6. LEGISLATURE UPDATE - SB 1536

Allan explained SB1536 will replace SB10, which is in the Oregon Legislative Assembly right now that would make Cherriots equal to Lane Transit District in the Eugene/Springfield and surrounding areas as well as TriMet in the Portland area. This equality would come with additional funding opportunities. The Mayor and Cherriots Board President have spoken to the Legislature in support of this Bill.

# 7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kathy Lincoln shared with the Committee an article from TransitCenter.org called, "All Transit is Local." She explained it would benefit the Committee to read.

# 8. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

#### Handout:

"Salem Transit Committee process for Developing Recommendations to Council" By Committee Member Sadie Carney.

#### Note:

Audio recording of meeting is available on our City of Salem Website under "Meeting Minutes".