

KALAMAZOO AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MAY 12, 2016 MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The March 2, 2016 meeting of the Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study Citizen Advisory Committee was called to order at Kalamazoo Metro Transit at 4:00 p.m. by KATS Senior Planner, Steve Stepek.

INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made by all present. Meeting attendance was recorded on the sign-in sheet.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Michele McGowen, Marc Irwin, Paul Sotherland, Linda MacDonald

MEMBERS ABSENT

Kay Chase, Jun-Seok Oh

OTHERS PRESENT

Kathy Schultz, Steve Stepek, Megan Arndt

CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – NONE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION by Sotherland, SECOND by MacDonald, *“to approve the May 12, 2016 agenda for the Citizen Advisory Committee.”* MOTION APPROVED.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION by Sotherland, SECOND by MacDonald, *“to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2016 Citizen Advisory Committee.”* MOTION APPROVED.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

DRAFT 2017-2020 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Steppek explained that the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is part of the MTP. KATS staff went through the scoring process to prioritize projects and the prioritization is currently being reviewed by the TIP subcommittee. Adoption of the TIP will be at the May Policy Committee Meeting.

Steppek continued to explain the variety of funding categories involved in the development of the TIP. The committee then discussed the implementation of the Complete Streets Policy along with the TIP, particularly in regards to the proposed Cork Street project in Kalamazoo.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Following discussion, the next meeting of the KATS Citizen Advisory Committee was set for Wednesday, August 3rd, at 4:00 p.m. at Kalamazoo Metro Transit.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Schultz reported that starting on September 6, 2016 there will be Sunday bus service and late night bus service. Late night service will be extended to 10:15 p.m., 11:15 p.m., and 12:15 a.m. depending on the route. Metro Transit was also able to negotiate a contract with Kalamazoo Valley Community College and Texas Township to maintain transit services to their campus.

MEMBER COMMENTS

The committee discussed how speed limits are set on roadways. Stepek discussed how a speed study is conducted by the Michigan State Police. Stepek then stated he'd bring further information to the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the May 12, 2016 meeting of the Kalamazoo Area Transportation Citizen Advisory Committee was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.