

# **CORVALLIS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT AGENDA**

**Wednesday, July 11, 2012, 5:00 p.m.  
Osborn Aquatic Center Conference Room  
1940 NW Highland Drive**

- I. INTRODUCTION
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - June 13, 2012
  - June 27, 2012
- III. CACOT/VISITOR'S COMMENTS
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
- V. NEW BUSINESS
  - Public Meeting on Route Enhancements
- VI. INFORMATION SHARING
- VII. COMMISSION REQUESTS AND REPORTS
- VIII. PENDING ITEMS
- IX. ADJOURNMENT

Future Meetings:

Wednesday, August 8, 2012, 8:20 a.m., Madison Avenue Meeting Room

Commission Members:

Stephan Friedt, Chair

Robert E. Wilson

Terry Wright

Brandon Trelstad

Kriste York

Robert Monasky

Evan Sorce, ASOSU Representative

Mike Beilstein, Council Liaison

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**CORVALLIS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT  
MINUTES  
June 13, 2012**

**Present**

Stephan Friedt, Chair  
Susan Hyne, Vice-Chair  
Robert Monasky  
Robert E. Wilson  
Mike Beilstein, Council Liaison  
Terry Wright

**Staff**

Tim Bates, Public Works  
Brie Caffey, Public Works

**Visitors**

Lisa Namba, Public Works  
Sharon Fipps, Benton County  
Bruce Moser, Public Works

**Absent**

Evan Sorce  
Brandon Trelstad  
Kriste York

**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION**

Agenda Item	Information Only	Held for Further Review	Recommendations
I. Introductions	X		
II. Approval of April 11, 2012 Minutes			Approved
III. CACOT/Visitor Comments	X		
IV. Old Business			N/A
V. New Business • Vote for Replacement Vice-Chair			Commissioner Trelstad was elected Vice-Chair
VI. Information Sharing	X		
VII. Commission Requests and Reports	X		
VIII. Pending Items			N/A
IX. Adjournment			Adjourned at 9:13 am

**CONTENT OF DISCUSSION**

- I. Introductions**  
The meeting was called to order at 8:20 am by Chair Friedt. Introductions were made of Commission members, staff and visitors.
- II. Approval of Minutes**  
**Commissioner Wilson and Vice-Chair Hyne, respectively, moved and seconded to approve the April 11, 2012 minutes. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **III. CACOT/Visitor Comments**

Bruce Moser introduced himself as the Corvallis Public Works Street Maintenance Supervisor. He and Mr. Bates mentioned upcoming summer street projects that will affect CTS routes including work on Jefferson St. starting next Monday, work on Harrison Blvd scheduled for early August, and work on Monroe Ave. from 26<sup>th</sup> St. to 16<sup>th</sup> St. Mr. Moser said he understands the benefits of nighttime street work to maintaining transit operations and said he will survey the neighborhood residents and business owners on Monroe Ave. to get their input about this possibility.

### **IV. Old Business**

None.

### **V. New Business**

Chair Freidt noted that Vice-Chair Hyne is stepping down from CACOT at the end of her term. He acknowledged Susan's years of service and dedication to transportation in Corvallis. Vice-Chair Hyne said that she will continue volunteering with the Google Transit effort.

Chair Freidt nominated Commissioner Trelstad for the position of Vice-Chair and noted that, while Commissioner Trelstad was not in attendance at the meeting, he was aware of and has agreed to serve if elected. **Chair Freidt and Commissioner Wilson, respectively, moved and seconded to approve the appointment of Commissioner Trelstad as Vice-Chair. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **VI. Information Sharing**

Mr. Bates reviewed the Information Sharing Report. Comments he provided in addition to the report included:

Mr. Bates said that in addition to the "Get Going" summer youth program which includes prize giveaways, the Philomath Connection is offering free rides to youth ages 6-17 years old until September 7th.

Mrs. Caffey noted that CTS ridership hit a new milestone in May 2012, topping one million rides for this fiscal year. The CTS fiscal year-to-date ridership at the end of May was 1,041,606 rides.

Sharon Fipps, Benton County's Special and Rural Transportation Fund Program Coordinator, reported that she is working with the Hatfield Marine Science Center and the employees at NOAA and Oregon Fish and Wildlife to coordinate a direct route between Corvallis and South Beach, just south of Newport. She said there are approximately 600 people working at the NOAA facility and many are interested in riding; however the current routes don't work with their schedule. A considerable schedule revision of the Coast-to-Valley Express may be needed; however, the increase in ridership may justify the revision.

Mrs. Caffey reported that the Simme-Seat on Goodnight Ave. across from Deborah Place has been installed. Five of the six Simme-Seats are now installed; the sixth is awaiting

approval of a traffic order which is due to go to the City Council on June 18<sup>th</sup>.

Staff reviewed the service enhancement recommendations with the Commission.

Commissioner Hyne noted that bus congestion at the DTC may be an issue with the 10-minute dwell if buses run late, especially when there are commuter buses running too. Mr. Bates acknowledged it is an issue that staff will consider. Commissioner Hyne asked if the full \$90,000 would be available for service enhancements and Ms. Namba confirmed that it would be, noting the City Council has approved the enhancement budget. She noted that the \$70 per service hour staff used to calculate available hours for expansion is a conservative estimate.

**Commissioners Wilson and Wright, respectively, moved and seconded for CACOT to meet near June 27<sup>th</sup> to finalize the enhancement recommendations.**

**VII. Commissioner Requests and Reports**

Commissioner Hyne commended the work of the south Corvallis community members who recently power washed and re-stained the wood of the neighborhood-built Route 6 bus shelter at SE Ryan & Alexander.

**VIII. Pending Items**

None.

**IX. Adjournment**

**Commissioners Wilson and Monasky, respectively, moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 am.

**NEXT MEETINGS: Special Meeting on or about June 27, 2012; time/place TBA  
July 11, 2012, 8:20 am, Madison Avenue Meeting Room**

**CORVALLIS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES  
June 27, 2012**

**Present**

Stephan Friedt, Chair  
Evan Sorce  
Brandon Trelstad  
Robert E. Wilson  
Kriste York  
Terry Wright

**Staff**

Tim Bates, Public Works  
Brie Caffey, Public Works

**Visitors**

Jim Mitchell, Public Works  
Lisa Namba, Public Works

**Absent**

Susan Hyne, Vice Chair  
Robert Monasky  
Mike Beilstein, Council Liaison

**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION**

Agenda Item	Information Only	Held for Further Review	Recommendations
I. Introductions	X		
II. CACOT/Visitor Comments	X		
III. New Business 1. Service Enhancements -Staff Proposal 2. C1 Route Change -Staff Proposal 3. Service Enhancements -146 hrs			1.Approved 2.Approved 3.Take feedback at public meeting
IV. Commission Requests and Reports	X		
V. Adjournment			Adjourned at 9:13 am

**CONTENT OF DISCUSSION**

**I. Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 8:23 am by Chair Friedt. Introductions were made of Commission members, staff and visitors.

**II. CACOT/Visitor Comments**

None.

### III. New Business

Mr. Bates reviewed the CACOT subcommittee's work which was refined by staff. The final staff recommendations include a revision of the C1 route and the addition of 1,139 hours of service, as follows:

Rt C1: add 3 runs, revise schedule for existing first afternoon run (233 hrs)

Rt C3: add 2 runs (255 hrs)

R6: add 4 runs (310 hrs)

Rt 2: add 1 run (128 hrs)

Rt 3: begin route at DTC, adding 10 min to run (43 hrs)

Rts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8: add a 10 min dwell at the DTC (170 hrs)

Mr. Bates also noted that staff is recommending reallocating the first Route 4 Monday through Friday morning run to Route 2 and revising the CVA schedule. Beyond these recommendations, staff came up with three possible options for the remaining available hours of service, though other scenarios will be considered. Those options included:

Rt C1: add 2 additional 2 runs, M-F, during school year (155 hrs)

Rt C3: add 1 additional run, M-F, year-round (128 hrs)

Rt 5/6: extend 30-min. service by adding 1 run, M-F, during the OSU school year (175 hrs)

Commissioner York asked for more information on the DTC dwell. Mr. Bates explained that staff originally discussed the possibility of a "catch up" bus but such a bus would be limited to several routes. The dwell allows all routes one extra block of 10 minutes so if they are running late, they can get back on schedule. Mr. Bates said he is unsure exactly where the dwell will occur in the schedule just yet, but it will most likely occur in the later afternoon. Commissioner Wright opined that something like this has been needed for some time.

**Commissioners Wilson and Trelstad, respectively, moved to accept the staff recommendations on the 1,139 hours of service enhancements as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**

Commissioner Wright asked about the rerouting of the C1 away from Buchanan Ave. in front of Corvallis High School and the impact on high school students who use that bus to get to school. Mr. Bates said those students are just as likely to ride the CVA, which will still be available to them, along with three other CTS routes that run close to the school.

Mr. Bates said the C1 redesign will hopefully relieve overcrowding and delays currently affecting Routes 1 and 5. Originally, the route was designed to be inbound on Circle Blvd. in order to pick up passengers along Kings Blvd., but they have the option of boarding on the outbound for this short, 30-minute loop, walking a few blocks to Grant Ave., or taking another route. He said staff's recommendation of running the route on Grant Ave. will offer service to high-density housing which previously has had no service, will avoid speed bumps and will offer better opportunities for stop placements.

**Commissioners Trelstad and Wright, respectively, moved to accept the staff recommendation of the C1 route change. The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Bates noted that left CACOT with 146 hours of service enhancements yet to allocate. It was decided that CACOT would look for input from the community before making a final recommendation on these hours at the July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**IV. Commission Requests and Reports**

None.

**V. Adjournment**

**Commissioners Wilson and Trelstad, respectively, moved and seconded to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 am.