

**CORVALLIS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT
MINUTES**

September 12, 2001

Members Present

Craig Anderson
Jeff Barricks
Bob Lowry
Dan Preller
Stewart Wershow, Councilor

Staff

Bernadette Barrett, Public Works
Steve Rogers, Public Works

Absent - Excused

Janon Rogers
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SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

Agenda Item	Informa- tion Only	Held for Further Review	Recommendations/Action
Minutes - August 8, 2001			Accepted as presented
Budget Prioritization Process			CACOT recommended priorities for Public Works proposed service reductions.
Ridership Report	X		
Fall Festival	X		
B-BoPP Week - October 1-6 <i>(formerly Try Transit Week)</i>	X		
Intermodal Mall	X		
CTS Fall Newsletter	X		
Linn-Benton Loop Commission - August 9	X		

CONTENT OF DISCUSSION

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - August 8, 2001

The minutes were approved as presented.

II. BUDGET PRIORITIZATION RECOMMENDATION

Public Works Director Rogers requested that the Commission prioritize all proposed Public Works service reductions. An information sheet for each of the 17 reductions was provided to the Commission prior to the meeting for their consideration. Mr. Rogers described each item and answered questions. Each Commission member then provided their input on the 17 projects. Commission members discussed items where there was the greatest discrepancy between the members. Following additional discussion, it was

recommended that the first item--Street Capital, maintain limited street reconstruction--be split into two items, one for non-grant-funded projects and one for street reconstruction not funded with grants. The items were then prioritized. (See attached list.)

III. INFORMATION SHARING

A. Ridership Report (Fixed-Route and Philomath)

The August CTS and Philomath Connection ridership reports were provided to the Commission (attached). Staff will confirm paratransit ridership with Dial-A-Bus.

B. Fall Festival - September 22 and 23

Corvallis Transit System will provide expanded transit service during Fall Festival weekend, as it has for many years. The service will operate from the normal Saturday start time (approximately 9:30 a.m.) until the normal weekday end times (approximately 7:25 p.m.). The emphasis in the promotional materials will be to encourage Corvallis citizens to use the bus all weekend for their transportation needs and not just to get to the Festival site.

C. B-BoPP (Bus, Bike, Pedestrian and car Pool/van Pool) Week - October 1 - 6 (formerly Try Transit Week)

B-BoPP 2001 is the new name for the annual Try Transit Week. The name was changed to encourage the use of all alternative transportation modes. Free transit rides will be provided by CTS, the Philomath Connection, Linn-Benton Loop, and Albany Transit System during the week. CTS will promote the event through a joint City/OSU/ASOSU proclamation, the CTS Fall Newsletter, on-board notice, Employee Transportation Coordinator's networking group, and a special event to be held at the downtown terminal on Wednesday morning.

D. Intermodal Mall Project Status

The consultant is working on the three conceptual designs for the intermodal mall. The designs were presented to the City's Design Review Committee for review on September 5. The refined designs will be presented to interested stakeholders and the public on September 18 at the City-County Library. Citizens will be invited to drop in between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. to provide their comments/suggestions. The drawings will remain in the library until September 28 for those persons who are unable to attend the September 18 open house.

E. CTS Fall Newsletter

The CTS Fall newsletter has been prepared and is at the print shop. It will be distributed on the buses in the next few days. Copies will be provided to the City Council and CACOT members.

F. Linn-Benton Loop Commission - August 9

Staff reported on the Loop Commission meeting. It was noted that ridership on the Loop is also increasing. The Loop will be providing rides during Fall Festival. It was also noted that Linn-Benton Community College rides were exceeding the amount contributed to the Loop for their group pass program. CACOT asked for specific information.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Future Meetings:

Wednesday, October 10, 7:50 a.m., City Hall Conference Rm. D
Wednesday, November 14, 7:50 a.m., City Hall Conference Rm. D
Wednesday, January 9, 7:50 a.m., City Hall Conference Rm. D