

**CORVALLIS CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT
AGENDA**

Wednesday; February 18, 1998; 7:50 a.m.
City Hall Conference Room D
501 S. W. Madison Avenue

- I. INTRODUCTIONS
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - January 21, 1998
- III. CACOT/VISITOR'S COMMENTS (Items not on Agenda)
- IV. TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS
- V. ROUTE ANALYSIS
- VI. SERVICE ROUTE
 - A. Operations
 - B. Vehicle - grants
- VII. INFORMATION SHARING
 - A. Ridership Report
 - B. Future ODOT Grants
 - C. Business Energy Tax Credit for Transit Passes
 - D. Child Safety Systems
 - E. Chamber of Commerce Employee Transportation Task Force
 - F. Laidlaw Operations
 - G. Advertising on Buses
 - H. State Highway Plan
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Future Meetings:

Wednesday, March 18, 7:50 a.m., City Hall Conference Rm. D

Wednesday, April 15, 7:50 a.m., City Hall Conference Rm. D

CORVALLIS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT

MINUTES

January 21, 1998

Members Present

Craig Anderson, Chairman
Joanne Adler
Bill Hoffman
Caron Johnson
Ed Barlow-Pieterick, Councilor

Absent

Dan Preller, excused

Staff

Steve Rogers, Public Works

Visitors

Tom Adler
Roger McDonald, Dial-A-Bus
Jessica Brown, ASOSU

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

Agenda Item	Information Only	Held for Further Review	Recommendations/Action
Transportation Alternatives Analysis	X		
Ridership Report/Analysis	X		
Dial-A-Bus Operations	X		
Citizen Survey	X		
Holiday Trolley	X		
OSU Promotional Activities	X		
Yield-to-Bus Law	x		
Grants	X		

CONTENT OF DISCUSSION

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - November 17, 1997

The minutes were approved as presented.

II. CACOT/VISITORS' COMMENTS

None

III. INFORMATION SHARING

A. Ridership Report/Analysis. December 1997's ridership was 33,622 compared to December 1996's ridership of 36,098. The ridership to date for 1997-98 is 6+ percent below the 1996-97 ridership at this point. Additional ridership comparison information was provided in the form of two graphs. The first graph compared total ridership for FY 97-98 and FY 96-97. This graph indicates that although total ridership is less this year, the ridership is about the same as the previous year. The second graph plots the hourly equivalent ridership for each route. Routes 6, 3, 1, and 5 show strong ridership. Routes 4, 7, and 2 show lower ridership. It was noted that routes 4, 7, and 2 have portions that overlap and that the other routes do not. Based on this information, several observations were made:

- Ridership on Routes 4 and 7 is likely affected by arrival at the Hospital at the same time.
- Route 2 would perform better with increased Hewlett-Packard ridership and increased promotion.

Staff will develop route change alternatives for discussion by the Commission at their next meeting.

B. Holiday Trolley. Trolley ridership totaled 6,383, operating from December 1st through December 28th. This compares with 5,913 for the previous year. This was the first year that the trolley operated past December 24th. It was found that the 30-minute schedule could not be met and will be extended to 45 minutes next year.

C. Citizen Survey. The Commission was provided with a summary of the results of the Citizen Survey transit-related questions and comments.

D. 1997-98 Operating Assistance Grant. The annual grant, in the amount of \$60,350, was received from the State

and accepted by City Council.

- E. Future ODOT Grants.** ODOT is revising the way that operating and discretionary grants are allocated to transit operations. It is anticipated that the result will be a slight increase in the grant amount for CTS.
- F. OSU Promotion.** On January 8th, the Transit Coordinator and several OSU volunteers demonstrated the bus bike rack and distributed information to students and faculty. CTS will participate in an OSU week in February. Arrangements have been completed to provide transit information directly to OSU dormitory residents. The annual OSU transit ridership survey will be conducted between January 26th and February 7th.
- G. Dial-A-Bus (DAB) Operations.** DAB Director Roger McDonald provided a short overview of DAB operations. The Commission asked for DAB ridership information. Staff will provide this information on a monthly basis. Roger noted that since he has been the director no ADA ride has been turned down. The Commission asked for an in-depth presentation on the way that DAB is organized and the services provided.
- H. Yield to Bus Law.** An informational flyer was provided which describes the newly enacted state legislation regarding yielding to buses entering traffic from the curb. The legislation requires traffic to yield to transit buses re-entering the traffic flow when equipped with a certain type of warning signal.
- I. Transportation Alternatives Analysis (TAA).** The TAA report was presented to City Council on January 20th. Interested Commissions including CACOT and the Planning Commission will be asked for input. It will then return to Council for adoption. The draft TAA was provided to the Commission and will be discussed at the next Commission meeting.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

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