

CORVALLIS CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT

AGENDA

Thursday; July 10, 1997; 7:50 a.m.

City Hall Conference Room D

501 S. W. Madison Avenue

- I. INTRODUCTIONS

- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES -June 12, 1997

- III. CACOT/VISITOR'S COMMENTS (Items not on Agenda)

- IV. INFORMATION SHARING
 - A. Ridership Report
 - B. Transit Master Plan
 - C. OSU/ASOSU Group Pass Program
 - D. Linn-Benton Loop
 - E. Bike Racks on Buses Program

- V. ADJOURNMENT

CORVALLIS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT

MINUTES

June 10, 1997

Members Present

Bob Lowry, Chair
Bill Hoffman, Vice Chair
Joanne Adler
Craig Anderson
Jonathan Cardozo
Caron Johnson

Staff

Steve Rogers, Public Works
Bernadette Barrett, Public Works

Visitors

Tom Adler

Absent

Ed Barlow-Pieterick, Councilor

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

Agenda Item	Information Only	Held for Further Review	Recommendations/Action
Ridership Report	X		
Transportation Alternatives Analysis	X		
OSU/ASOSU Group Pass Program	X		
Oregon Legislature	X		
Transit Master Plan			Recommended Long Range Service Concept as Revised

CONTENT OF DISCUSSION

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - May 8, 1997

The minutes were approved as presented.

II. INFORMATION SHARING

A. Ridership Report - May 1997. Staff reported that May's ridership was 35,307. This was the first month in 31 months that CTS has not set a monthly ridership record over the previous year's monthly total. However, it was noted that the annual total through May was 389,176; and the goal of exceeding 400,000 rides in one year has most likely been reached this week.

B. Transportation Alternatives Analysis. Commission member Anderson reported that an open house had been held regarding the TAA. Participation was low. No new

information has been provided to Steering Committee members and no date has been scheduled for their next meeting.

- C. OSU/ASOSU Group Pass Program.** The ASOSU Senate approved continuation of the student group pass program. Staff will be meeting with ASOSU President Matt Devore on Friday, June 13, to discuss transit service to OSU students, including promotion of the service. Staff will request appointment of the student ex officio member to CACOT. The contract for 1997-98 transit services will be provided for President Devore's signature. The OSU/City contract has been prepared and is awaiting approval of OSU's budget. Staff will contact W. Lee Schroeder, Vice President of Finance, in the near future.
- D. Oregon Legislature.** The transportation package was approved by the House. House Bill 3163 contains a provision for funding senior and disabled transportation, referred to as the Safety and Service Fee. The Senate is now considering the package and has suggested significant cuts, including total elimination of the Safety and Service Fee. If the Senate revises the package, it will need to go back to the House and most likely go to a joint committee. The Governor and Democratic members of the House have indicated that they will not approve a transportation package without some funding for senior and disabled transportation.

III. CACOT/VISITOR'S COMMENTS

- A.** Tom Adler appeared before the Commission to present a route proposal for the short term. He described the routes in detail and the service. Commission member Joanne Adler reiterated her concern that service and frequency be retained neighborhoods. It was noted that most neighborhoods will continue to be served. Commissioner Adler was most concerned about the philosophy. Staff and Tom and Joanne Adler provided information regarding the Urban Services Committee's deliberations of June 8. Commissioner Hoffman reminded the Commission of the joint CACOT/USC work session in which a consensus was reached regarding the proposed Concept A, which has been recommended by USC to the Council. Several CACOT members reiterated their support of Concept A and the shift to higher frequency along primary corridors. It was noted that anytime new routes are implemented, adjustments may be necessary, much like what was done following the addition of the fourth bus in 1994. Following additional discussion,

Commissioner Alder made a motion to forward Tom Adler's route proposal to the Council. The motion died for lack of a second.

- B. Commissioner Cardozo raised several operational issues regarding the drivers at the downtown terminal. These issues will be addressed with Laidlaw management and the drivers.

IV. TRANSIT MASTER PLAN

Chapter 4, the Long Range Service Concept, was revised by the consultant as a result of public input and CACOT, USC, and Council discussions. The revised Chapter 4 was provided to CACOT members prior to the meeting. Commission members were most concerned about the section entitled "Commitment to Seniors and the Disabled". Several revisions were made to this section, page 4-3. One other modification was made to another section to reflect the elimination of the high and low scenario maps. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to recommend the revised Chapter 4, the Long Range Service Concept, to the Council. The revisions will be made as recommended by CACOT and incorporated into the draft Corvallis Transit Master Plan. The entire document as revised will be forwarded to the City Council for their consideration and approval.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Future Meetings:

July 10, 1997; 7:50 a.m.; City Hall Conference Room D
August 14, 1997; 7:50 a.m.; City Hall Conference Room D