

CORVALLIS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT AGENDA

**Tuesday, July 8, 2014, 8:20 a.m.
Madison Avenue Meeting Room
500 SW Madison Avenue**

- I. INTRODUCTIONS
 - Welcome to Peter Dassow, Public Works Staff

- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - May 13, 2014 (there was no June meeting)

- III. CACOT/VISITORS COMMENTS

- IV. OLD BUSINESS

- V. NEW BUSINESS

- VI. INFORMATION SHARING
 - VIS Update

- VII. COMMISSION REQUESTS AND REPORTS

- VIII. PENDING ITEMS

- IX. ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 12, 2014, Madison Avenue Meeting Room

Commission Members:

Stephan Friedt, Chair

Steve Harder, Vice Chair

Kriste York

Eric Cornelius

Brandon Trelstad

Cassie Huber, ASOSU

Steven Black

John Oliver

Bruce Sorte, Council Liaison

Madison Avenue Meeting Room is accessible to the public.
Please contact Tim Bates at (541) 766-6916
if you need special accommodations to attend the meeting.

**CORVALLIS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT
MINUTES
May 13, 2014**

Present

Stephan Friedt, Chair
Steve Harder, Vice Chair
Steven Black
Eric Cornelius
Kriste York
Bruce Sorte, Council Liaison

Staff

Tim Bates, Public Works
Brie Caffey, Public Works

Visitors

Robert Wilson, citizen
Meredith Williams, OSU Transportation Services

Absent

Cassie Huber
John Oliver
Brandon Trelstad

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

Agenda Item	Information Only	Held for Further Review	Recommendations
I. Introductions	X		
II. Approval of April 8, 2014 Minutes			Approved
III. CACOT/Visitor Comments			N/A
IV. Old Business			N/A
V. New Business			N/A
VI. Information Sharing	X		
VII. Commission Requests and Reports	X		
VIII. Pending Items			N/A
IX. Adjournment			Adjourned at 9:20 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

Commissioners Black and Cornelius, respectively, moved and seconded to approve the April 8, 2014 minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

III. CACOT/Visitor Comments

None.

IV. Old Business

None.

V. New Business

None.

VI. Information Sharing

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

Mr. Bates said CTS has agreed to relinquish name “Beaver Bus” and the “Beaver” symbol to OSU for use on its campus shuttle. CTS will begin using a new owl icon for the late night service when service resumes in the fall. The service’s name will be CTS Late Night and the schedule and routes are expected to remain the same.

Mr. Bates reported that City of Philomath is offering free rides aboard the Philomath Connection (PC) to all passengers from May 5th through May 16th as part of the “Get There” campaign. He also said the PC will again sponsor a Summer Youth Transit program, offering kids 18 years old and younger free rides from June 16th through August 29th. Commissioner Black asked if the 99 Express Adair service would be participating in a Summer Youth Transit program. Mr. Bates said he would ask Benton County’s Transit Coordinator and report back.

Mr. Bates said the apps created in the OSU student appathon are in the beta testing phase and should be released through the app store soon. Connexionz, the City’s Vehicle Information System (VIS) contractor, is working to make CTS’s real-time data available publicly, allowing others to use it for development of such apps.

Mr. Bates reported that Connexionz will be on site soon for adjustments and final acceptance testing of the VIS system. Chair Friedt noted that the audio announcements on some buses were still not working correctly as of last week. Mr. Bates said he is aware and modifications have been and are being made.

Chair Friedt acknowledged Mr. Bates for covering First Student’s dispatch and phone duties during a recent power outage which left First Student without power. The Public Works building was operational because of their back-up generator. Mr. Bates said he is working with First Student to ensure that they provide back-up services for any future events, noting that radio contact with the buses is an essential safety component.

Mr. Bates said CTS will once again offer fareless transit service to the Benton County

Fair, scheduled for July 30th to August 2nd. The CTS trolley will be the vehicle used. Route C3 also provides direct service to the Fairgrounds Monday through Saturday as part of its regular service.

VII. Commission Requests and Reports

Councilor Sorte said there is still time for Commissioners to offer opinions on the recommendations of the Public Participation Task Force, which includes the proposal to combine CACOT with BPAC and the Downtown Parking Commission. He also reported that there will be a public meeting about the proposed City budget on June 2nd. Councilor Sorte said he believes that the new parking districts will create an increase in transit use but the rides will be shorter, with passengers using transit from parking spaces outside the districts to get to campus. Commissioner Cornelius said he supports the idea of park-and-rides. Ms. Willams said OSU has considered remote parking options and feels that students living on campus who use their vehicles only once or twice a week would be the best candidates for those lots.

Commissioner Harder reported that Dial-A-Bus is currently meeting with the Corvallis School District to discuss providing rides to school for homeless students.

VIII. Pending Items

None.

IX. Adjournment

Commissioners Harder and Black, respectively, moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 am.

NEXT MEETING: June 10, 2014, 8:20 am, Madison Avenue Meeting Room

MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 2, 2014
TO: CACOT Members
FROM: Tim Bates, Transit Coordinator
SUBJECT: Information Sharing Report

CTS Branding - CTS has a new brand, including a new logo. A display of the new logo and new signs will be shown at the meeting.

Night Owl Late Night Service - A preview of the coming brochure will be shown at the meeting. The brochure has not yet been fully approved by City staff but will be shortly. The Night Owl replaces the Beaver Bus as the name for CTS's late night transit service. The name "Beaver Bus" will be used by OSU as the new name for the OSU shuttle service beginning September, 2014.

99 Express Adair - Free rides will be provided this summer to youths 18 and under.

Ridership - Percentage changes are based on rides per service hour.

- **CTS provided 100,567 rides in May, an average of 42.7 rides/service hour, a 6.2% decrease from May 2013.** Ridership for May 2013 was 104,327, an average of 45.5 rides/service hour.
CTS provided 83,908 rides in June, an average of 38.6 rides/service hour, a 1% increase from June 2013. Ridership for June 2013 was 82,102, an average of 38.3 rides/service hour.
- **Philomath Connection provided 2,686 rides in May, an average of 19.7 rides/service hour, a 1.2% decrease from May 2013.** Ridership for May 2013 was 2,848 an average of 19.9 rides/service hour.
Philomath Connection provided 2,120 rides in June, an average of 15.5 rides/service hour, a 12% decrease from June 2013. Ridership for June 2013 was 2,295 an average of 17.7 rides/service hour.
- **Beaver Bus provided 2,367 rides in May, an average of rides/service hour, a 13.2% decrease from May 2013.** Ridership for May 2013 was 2,262, an average of 13.5 rides/service hour
Beaver Bus provided 569 rides in June, an average of 15.8 rides/service hour, an 11.8% decrease from June 2013. Ridership for June 2013 was 679, an average of 14.1 rides/service hour
- **ADA Paratransit - May ridership was 693.** Ridership for May 2013 was 641.
ADA Paratransit - June ridership was 609. Ridership for June 2013 was 497.
- **99 Express Adair Village - May ridership was 551, an average of 6.6 rides per service hour.** May 2013 ridership was 628, an average of 8.3 rides per service hour.
99 Express Adair Village - June ridership was 431, an average of 6.0 rides per service hour. June 2013 ridership was 569, an average of 8.0 rides per service hour.

CTS Ridership (Beaver Bus and Philomath Connection not included in figures)

	FY 13/14	FY 12/13	FY 11/12	FY 10/11	FY 09/10	FY 08/09
July	78,457	78,758	80,650	54,310	54,381	55,774
Aug	75,624	79,369	72,375	49,560	45,734	48,693
Sept	71,418	83,874	80,518	58,342	48,383	50,053
Oct	114,000	120,079	104,343	79,562	67,573	71,342
Nov	98,932	104,768	96,884	73,961	59,602	57,426
Dec	79,518	73,365	79,456	58,193	50,300	49,952
Jan	103,493	110,539	103,182	78,754	66,194	62,904
Feb	95,661	106,526	106,526	80,794	65,306	59,098
Mar	93,130	99,157	102,672	91,060	63,665	55,252
Apr	107,003	109,801	107,491	92,842	66,781	60,223
May	100,567	104,327	107,509	89,078	59,090	53,376
Jun	83,908	82,102	90,236	78,421	53,782	49,625
Total	1,101,711	1,152,665	1,131,842	884,877	700,791	673,718

Fareless rides began 2/1/11

