

RESULTS / MINUTES “FINAL”
(ETSAB) Edmonton Transit System Advisory Board
Monday, August 31st, 2015
5:30PM – 8:00PM
Heritage Room, City Hall

Meeting No. 15.07

Results prepared by Carissa Campbell

Present:

Izak Roux (Chair), Anand Chair (Deputy-Chair), Amy Mannix, Vlad Slavov, Kristina Peter, Sharminder Pamar, Gail Brown, Sean Lee, Bob Macklon, Kouresh Lotfi, Syed Zaidi, Mariah Samji.

Regrets:

None.

Guests:

Sarah Feldman, Stephanie McCabe, Bill Menzies, Bjorn Radstrom.

ETS & City Staff:

Lorna Stewart (Staff Liaison), Carissa Campbell (Recording Secretary), Glen Dennis (City Administration), Steve Bradshaw (President, ATU 569).

Materials & Attachments:

- Material Package:
 - Agenda for August 31, 2015
 - Draft Minutes from June 29th, 2015
 - Transit Strategy Update – Parts 1 & 2
 - Bus Rapid Transit Report (Draft)
 - Park & Ride Report (Draft)
 - Accessibility Committee (Terms of Reference)
 - Branch Highlights Report
- Additional Materials:
 - Winnipeg Bus Rapid Transit Presentation
 - Public Art Committee Notes

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Call to order at 5:30PM.

2. AGENDA REVIEW

DECISION

- To change Section 6: “Request for Approval” to read as follows:
 - Accessibility – presenter of B. Macklon
 - Public Art – presenter of M. Samji

MOVED: by A. Pye & seconded by K. Lotfi to approve the August 31, 2015 agenda with the above noted amendments.

CARRIED

3. PRESENTATION, FOLLOWED BY Q&A		INFORMATION
Winnipeg Bus Rapid Transit		B. Radstrom & B. Menzies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation provided by B. Radstrom & B. Menzies on Winnipeg Bus Rapid Transit. • Discussed Winnipeg's strategy surrounding bus rapid transit and how they have executed this initiative. • Presentation broadcast via Webex. • Q&A session ensued. 		
Transit Engagement Strategy & Transportation Planning Branch Update		S. Feldman & S. McCabe
<p>Transit Engagement Strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S. Feldman provided an update on the Transit Engagement Strategy. • Circulated material hand-out. • Provided a timelines on the next steps. • Transportation Planning invited ETSAB members to "Let's Talk about Transit" in September and also a "Transit Engagement Workshop" in October. Invitation specifics follow shortly. • Q&A session ensued. <p>Transportation Planning Branch Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S. McCabe provided an update on the Transportation Planning Branch Update.\ • Circulated material hand-out. • Provided a timelines on the next steps. • Q&A session ensued. 		

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES		DECISION
Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes		I. Roux
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To remove Kristina Peter and Mariah Samji "Present" and to add to "Regrets". • Section 6 "Updates, Section: Upcoming ETSAB Committees" 1st action item to be assigned to B. Macklon & M. Samji. 		
<p>MOVED: by S. Zaidi & seconded by M. Samji to approve the June 29th, 2015 minutes with the above noted amendments.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>CARRIED</u></p>		

5. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: ETSAB PRIORITY PROJECTS FOR 2015, PART 1		DECISION
Bus Rapid Transit		A. Pye

- Discussed the background of work leading up to the drafting of the Bus Rapid Transit report.
- Open floor for comments and recommendations to the Bus Rapid Transit report.

FAST ACTION: by A. Pye & S. Lee to fast track and approve the report in principle. To complete editorial changes to the Bus Rapid Transit report for final approval by September 10th, 2015.

MOTION CARRIED

Park & Ride

M. Samji

- Discussed the background of work leading up to the drafting of the Park & Ride report.
- Open floor for comments and recommendations to the Park & Ride report.

FAST ACTION: by M. Samji & B. Macklon to fast track and approve the report in principle. To complete editorial changes to the Park & Ride report for final approval by September 10th, 2015.

MOTION CARRIED

Accessibility

B. Macklon

- Provided brief overview of the Accessibility sub-committee.
- Focus on physical disability.
- Discussed the importance of not overlapping the oversight of DATS with ETS. To create a distinction with the work ETSAB's Accessibility sub-committee will have.
- Accessibility sub-committee will take affect once the Park & Ride & Bus Rapid Transit reports are submitted to Transportation Committee.

Public Art

M. Samji

- Provided brief overview of Public Art sub-committee.
- Public art related to Edmonton Transit. Focus of the group will be on implement public art into older stations, increase awareness as to what art can be. Art to be incorporated with music, light installations, functional pieces (benches, windows, heating systems), and to review funding for older stations.
- Public art sub-committee will take affect once the Park & Ride & Bus Rapid Transit reports are submitted to Transportation Committee.

6. UPDATES: ETSAB PRIORITY PROJECTS FOR 2015, PART 2

INFORMATION

Tour Update

I. Roux

- Provided positive feedback on the July 27th, 2015 Transit Tour organized by City Administration.

Transportation Committee Luncheon	I. Roux
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided positive feedback on the July 6th, 2015 Transportation Committee Luncheon organized by City Administration. <p><i>To coordinate a Transportation Committee Luncheon in either October or November 2015. To be booked by September 28th, 2015.</i></p> <p><u>C. CAMPBELL</u></p>	
Transit Innovation (Optional)	V. Slavov
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • V. Slavov will send out potential dates for members to get together along with an overview of what the Transit Innovation will be by September 11th, 2015. • Plan to be a regular monthly type meeting with an open forum. Will give members an opportunity to have a more informal get together to brainstorm and use as a think-tank. 	

7. NEW BUSINESS	INFORMATION
2016 Budget Timelines (Tentative)	I. Roux
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2016 Budget Timelines (tentative): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ November release – October 30th ○ Public hearing dates – November 23rd ○ Deliberations - November 26th • Will be done as a separate meeting with ETSAB and City Administration. <p><i>To provide a 1 page overview of the City of Edmonton's budget system. To include such areas of interest as timelines. To be provided by October 15th, 2015.</i></p> <p><u>C. CAMPBELL & L. STEWART</u></p>	
Dates to be Approved Late September 2015	I. Roux
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To remove from agenda. 	

8. TRANSIT BRANCH MONTHLY REPORT	INFORMATION
July & August 2015	L. Stewart
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L. Stewart presented the July & August 2015 Transit Branch Monthly Report. • L. Stewart gave an announcement that she will be retiring. The August 2015 meeting will be her last meeting. • C. Campbell gave an announcement that she is expecting her first child in January 2015 and will be going on maternity leave near December 2015. • Q & A ensured. 	

9. INFORMATION SECTION	INFORMATION
DAG Update	R. Macklon
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DAG has been off for the summer between July and August 2015. No updates to report. 	
ATU Update	S. Bradshaw
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed the opening of the Metro Line. Discussed the transitional period ETS is in with a changeover of upper management. 	
Alberta Innovates – Potential Grant for Research	I. Roux
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carry forward to next meeting. 	

10. TRANSIT EXPERIENCE	INFORMATION
July & August 2015	I. Roux
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In camera session. To be omitted from the minutes. 	

11. TOPIC OF THE NIGHT	DECISION
August 2015	A. Pye
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topic of the Night to be the Bus Rapid Transit and Park & Ride Report, along with the Winnipeg Bus Rapid Transit presentation. 	

12. MOTION TO ADJOURN	DECISION
August 2015	All
<p><i>MOVED:</i> by A. Pye & seconded by M. Samji to adjourn the meeting at 8:25PM.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>CARRIED</u></p>	

APPROVAL

September 28th, 2015 Meeting:
Minutes approved at ETSAB meeting.

Next Meeting Information:

Date: Monday, September 28th, 2015
Time: 5:30PM – 8:00PM
Location: Heritage Room, City Hall

Annual Meeting Dates:

~~January 26th, 2015~~
~~February 23rd, 2015~~
~~March 30th, 2015~~
~~April 27th, 2015~~

~~May 25, 2015~~
~~June 29, 2015~~
~~August 31, 2015~~
September 28, 2015

October 26, 2015
November 30, 2015
December 28, 2015