

Edmonton Transit System (ETS)

MAY 26, 2014

1. ETS News

Fort Edmonton Park

Route 596, the Fort Edmonton/Valley Zoo summer shuttle operates daily from the May long weekend to the Labour Day weekend.

DONATE A RIDE distributes Tickets

This year, 60 local Edmonton charitable agencies are receiving 85,060 ETS tickets worth \$198,396 for their clients thanks to the latest DONATE A RIDE campaign.

High Level Bridge Streetcar

High Level Bridge Streetcar service started on the May long weekend.

Age Friendly Edmonton

"Vision for an Age Friendly Edmonton" is an action plan developed in response to the growing population of older adults in Edmonton. It identifies the gaps, needs, and recommended actions for nine key areas related to seniors, who will represent 20% of our population by 2025.

2. Minutes from Council and Committees of Council

Executive Committee – May 6, 2014 Minutes

5.2 Stadium Transit Oriented Development Business Plan - Implementation and Updated Business Case

R. G. Klassen, General Manager, Sustainable Development, answered the Committee's questions.

Moved S. McKeen:

That the revised due date of June 4, 2014, be approved.

In Favour:

D. Iveson, D. Loken, E. Gibbons, A. Knack, S. McKeen

Carried

Transportation Committee – May 7, 2014 MINUTES

3.2 Transit Service - Albany, North Carlton, North Oxford and Griesbach (B. Esslinger)

There is a growing demand for transit service to Albany, North Carlton, North Oxford and Griesbach and transit service is not expected to be provided until September 2015.

I would like Administration to provide a report on the following:

1. How many other new or emerging communities fall into this category?
2. How much would it cost to provide service?
3. What is Transit's plans to address this demand?

Due Date: Aug. 20, 2014

5.2 Smart Bus Implementation - Options for Funding(A. Sohi/B. Henderson/T. Caterina)

Moved B. Anderson:

That the revised due date of June 18, 2014, be approved.

Transportation Svcs.

Due Date: Jun. 18, 2014

In Favour:

Carried

A. Sohi, M. Walters, B. Anderson, B. Esslinger, D. Iveson

5.3 Enclosed Coliseum LRT Station and Pedway to Northlands Expo Centre

Moved B. Anderson:

That the revised due date of June 18, 2014, be approved.

Transportation Svcs.

Due Date:
Jun. 18, 2014

In Favour:

Carried

A. Sohi, M. Walters, B. Anderson, B. Esslinger, D. Iveson

5.4**Natural Gas Buses and Westwood Garage (D. Iveson/A. Sohi)****Moved B. Anderson:**

That the revised due date of June 5, 2014, be approved.
Transportation Svcs.

Due Date: Jun. 5, 2014

In Favour:**Carried**

A. Sohi, M. Walters, B. Anderson, B. Esslinger, D. Iveson

6.1**Edmonton Transit System Advisory Board - 2013 Annual Activity Report and Proposed 2014 Workplan (Report/four attachments is attached to the Manager's Report)**

B. Robertson, Edmonton Transit System Advisory Board, made a presentation and answered the Committee's questions.

A. Mannix and J. Vandenbold, Edmonton Transit System Advisory Board, answered the Committee's questions.

Moved A. Sohi:

That the 2013 Annual Activity Report and Proposed 2014 Work Plan, as outlined in the May 7, 2014, Edmonton Transit System Advisory Board report CR_1227, be received for information. ETSAB

In Favour:**Carried**

A. Sohi, M. Walters, B. Anderson, B. Esslinger, D. Iveson

6.2**Edmonton Transit System Advisory Board - Proposal to Introduce a Low-income Transit Pass (Report and one attachment is attached to the Manager's Report)****Moved A. Sohi:**

That the Edmonton Transit System Advisory Board report CR_1224, be received for information. ETSAB

In Favour:**Carried**

A. Sohi, M. Walters, B. Anderson, B. Esslinger, D. Iveson

6.3

Administrative Response - Edmonton Transit System Advisory Board - Proposal to Introduce a Low-income Transit Pass
(Report is attached to the Manager's Report)

C. Stolte and T. Shewchuk, Transportation Services; and
L. Rosen, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, answered
the Committee's questions.

Moved A. Sohi:

Low Income Transit Pass Pilot

That Administration provide a report, as soon as possible, on
the following related to the introduction of low income transit
pass including:

1. Rider selection criteria
2. How it aligns with *The Ways* and Council initiatives
3. What are the individual and societal benefits of providing
the low income transit pass
4. Potential for revenue from increased ridership
5. The cost of a 35%, a 50%, and a 60% discount
6. Funding options, including potential provincial funding
sources to implement the three year pilot project.
Transportation Svcs.

Due Date:

To be determined

In Favour:

Carried

A. Sohi, M. Walters, B. Anderson, B. Esslinger, D. Iveson

6.4

Valley Line Stage 1 LRT - Protecting the City's and Public's Interests
(Report is attached to the Manager's Report)

Moved A. Sohi:

That the May 7, 2014, Transportation Services report
CR_1197, be received for information.

Transportation Svcs.

In Favour:

Carried

A. Sohi, M. Walters, B. Anderson, B. Esslinger, D. Iveson

6.5 **Valley Line Stage 1 LRT - Interface between the City and P3 Operations** **(Report is attached to the Manager's Reort)**

Moved A. Sohi:

That the May 7, 2014, Transportation Services report CR_1198, be received for information. Transportation Svcs.

In Favour:

Carried

A. Sohi, M. Walters, B. Anderson, B. Esslinger, D. Iveson

7.1 **Transit Accessibility for Newcomers (A. Sohi)** **(Report)**

Moved A. Sohi:

That the May 7, 2014, Transportation Services report CR_850, be received for information. Transportation Svcs.

In Favour:

Carried

A. Sohi, M. Walters, B. Anderson, B. Esslinger, D. Iveson

City Council Committee – May 14, 2014

3.1 **Recognition for Edmonton's First Female Bus Driver (A. Sohi/ B. Esslinger)**

Last year, Kathleen Andrews, Edmonton's first female bus driver, passed away. We received a request from the Alberta Labour History Institute to recognize Ms. Andrews' contributions to Edmonton Transit by naming some transit infrastructure in her honour.

Could Administration please provide information on the following:

- Some background information on the first female bus driver in Edmonton transit history
- The process for naming transit buildings
- The possibility of naming the new Westwood bus garage replacement after Ms. Andrews

Due Date:

Aug. 19, 2014

Exec. Committee

3. **March Statistics**

Transit Ridership Information for MARCH	
Ridership	Total Year to Date
2013	23,838,479
2014	24,006,710
Change from 2013 to 2014	168,231
Percentage Change	0.71