



Metro Transit Advisory Committee

July 2023 Meeting Minutes

Location: Metro Administrative Offices

2222 Cuming Street, Omaha, NE 68102

Attendance:

Travis Halm, Loma Lindstrom, Karen Bluvas

Staff: Nicole Ebat, Annie Pigaga

Date: July 12, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Call to order – Loma Lindstrom at 7:00pm

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Karen, second by Loma. Approved

Opening: Public comment period

- No members of the public were in attendance

Appeals of MOBY denials:

T. Sturgeon

- Group discussed applicant's application and then called applicant to discuss certain parts of the application pertaining to bus stop access
- Motion by Loma to reverse the denial and grant MOBY eligibility, second by Travis.
Approved

New business:

Item #1: Upcoming Board business

- Annual Audit
 - Reviewed by Board Finance Committee before being brought to the full Metro Board for approval
- Hourly & Salary Pension
 - Both pension plans are reviewed by the Board Finance Committee annually and then brought to the full Metro Board for approval
- Equity Analysis
 - An equity analysis of the prospective August service changes will be presented to the Board
 - No disparate impacts or disproportionate burdens were found with these changes
 - 4 public meetings were held to provide the public a chance to give their feedback – a public comment period will be open through July 20th
 - These comments will be included with the presentation

Item #2: Upcoming community events

- Open Omaha
 - This event, put on by Omaha by Design, offers opportunities to explore Omaha, especially places that might not be accessible every day.
 - Metro will be one of the participants in the two-day Open Omaha event on August 5th & 6th – an ORBT bus will be one of the destinations
- RiverFront park grand openings
 - The final parks at The RiverFront will be opening in August
 - Metro will be at one of the days of the opening, although this date is still set to be determined
 - Will be August 18th, 19th, or 20th

Other business:

- Discussion of the City Council item of rezoning at 31st & Marcy around Transit Oriented Development (TOD)
- Discussion about the current MOBY application – members requested blank copies for review

Motion to adjourn by Travis. Second by Karen. 7:56p.m.

Next Meeting:

August 9, 2023, 7p.m.

Metro administrative offices- Lobby conference room