

## **Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority**

### **Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC)**

**Friday, March 29, 2024**

**11:30 PM**

**Virtual Presentation**

**CapMetro Employees:** Jeremy Benoit, Peter Breton, Nina Loehr, Edna Parra, Eric Robins, Joseph Rose, Vaishnavi Tiwari.

**Committee Members:** Adam Powell, Lauren Taylor, Christian Shelmire, Christian Tschoepe, Monica Sanchez, Luis Osta Lugo, Sheena Walter.

**Guests:** Gretchen Flatau.

**Meeting called to order at 11:36 AM**

### **Welcome / Introductions / Call to Order**

*Chair Taylor*

**Approval of the minutes** – Motion to approve by Luis Osta Lugo / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lauren Taylor – passes unanimously.

### **Public Communications**

#### **Public Safety Program Update**

*Eric Robins, Chief Administrator*

**Eric Robins** gives an update on the Public Safety Program, including an overview of the timeline and budget.

**Monica Sanchez** asks if the budget includes money for lighting at bus stops. **Eric Robins** explains that lighting for bus stops does not fall under the Public Safety budget, and that he will get back to her with more details.

#### **Policy Development Update**

*Nina Loehr, Program Manager*

**Nina Loehr** overviews the policy development process for Transit Police Department policies, including the tentative timeline.

**Christian Shelmire** asks what the most difficult part of getting TCOLE certified is. **Eric Robins** says that getting board approval was the hardest, and now the team is looking to get all the TCOLE required items, such as a facility, policies, and dispatch in line.

**Luis Osta Lugo** asks about comparing to Houston or Dallas transit police departments in terms of policy development and best practices. Eric Robins explains that CapMetro staff is working with VIA, DART, METRO, and other police departments to find and implement best practices.

#### **Subcommittee Update**

*Edna Parra, Community Engagement and Involvement Manager*

*Peter Breton, Community Engagement Coordinator*

**Edna Parra** and **Peter Breton** overview the current and upcoming subcommittee topics and dates.

#### **Subcommittee Debrief Discussion**

*Facilitated by the Staff Liaison*

Committee Members and CapMetro staff recap the most recent subcommittee meeting and discuss potential improvements to be made to the process.

***Meeting adjourned at 12:42 PM***