



**CAPITAL METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC HEARING
2910 East Fifth Street Austin, TX 78702**

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Thursday, April 15, 2010

12:00 PM

Capital Metro Board Room

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:19 pm on April 15, 2010 at Capital Metro Board Room, 2910 East Fifth Street, Austin, TX.

II. Presentations:

1. August 2010 Fall Service changes.

Todd Hemingson VP, Strategic Planning and Development, and Roberto Gonzalez, Principal Planner, gave a brief summary of the proposed changes for August 2010, which are products of ServicePlan2020. Roberto Gonzalez will brief you on several changes we have made as a direct result of that public input. (see attachment)

Roberto Gonzalez - Spoke on changes to Route 37 and the compromises and changes we made to it and other routes.

John Langmore - Did you run this across the person from Goodwill of Texas?

Gonzalez - No, that's a different route that has been addressed.

Beverly Silas - Proposed Route 37, outline the current route today.

Gonzalez - Went over the outline on chart. (see attachment)

Silas - If the arrows are correct Northbound to Airport - Midday?

Gonzalez - Just Southbound, went over schedule for Southbound.

Frank Fernandez - Some of the service providers reached out to me and talked about some of the challenges they have and how they don't feel comfortable crossing in certain areas etc..., I would like to thank you guys for trying to work out a solution that works for them.

Gonzalez - Important point is that this service road is still served by another route; we have two routes in that area.

Silas - There is another route in addition to going Southbound that also goes Northbound? What does a person normally do?

Gonzalez - What a person normally does is travel to Cameron Rd. where the signal lights are and people can de-board and go Southbound.

Ann Stafford - Are we still within that parameter of being revenue neutral?

Gonzalez - Yes we will absorb the timing in the schedule.

Stafford - Including Wells Branch?

Gonzalez - Wells Branch we had looked at eliminating a segment but retaining the vehicles that were in operation. With the removal of that proposal the same resources were still committed out there.

Norm Chafetz - Eliminating the route doesn't that affect MetroAccess, the revenue?

Gonzalez - When I mention revenue it is specifically about the bus operations, but you are correct.

Fernandez - They will grand father those folks in as far as still providing MetroAccess, the 2011 budget has that expense.

Public Comment:

Michael Zitz Evancih - Spoke on route changes, instead of eliminating routes reduce to 75%. Can changes wait until May? Also glad to hear about grand fathering in.

Keith Watson - Representing riders of number 171 Oak Hill Route concerns. Meeting with Capital Metro several months ago we expressed our concerns regarding the changes. The changes do not benefit the riders in this neighborhood. Don't see how the changes are going to benefit the neighborhood. We do not approve of the changes as they are.

Brian Meade - Concerned about Route 9, how are people going to get to school etc...?

Chair Martinez - Discuss Route 9

Gonzalez - Route 9 has 3 zones, services 350 people a day. (see chart)

Chair Martinez - Where is the existing Route?

Gonzalez - Burleson Rd.

Fernandez - What's the distance? A half of a mile to a mile?

Stafford - Clarification to Oltorf or Parker?

Gonzalez - Oltorf to Ben White.

Langmore - Can you walk from that point? Is there a school there, impacting children?

Gonzalez - Yes, there are some side walks there.

Eric Ritz - Concerns regarding Route 9. We are going to have to walk. Where is Route 9 going to go?

III. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 12:49 pm.

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