

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

#### ~ MINUTES ~

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Monday, June 18, 2018 12:00 PM Capital Metro Board Room

Call to Order: 12:06 p.m.

### I. Presentations:

1. Proposed August 2018 Services Changes

Director of Service Planning Roberto Gonzalez presented an overview of the August service changes.

The proposed changes are very minor. One will be the reinstatement of school-related services with the start of the Fall semester. The other change proposed is an adjustment to the Route 350 to take it back up to the North Lamar Transit Center. This will provide improved connectivity and reduce by one the number of routes that go into the Crestview Station development. Some other very minor adjustments based on customer feedback may also be made.

Board member Renteria made comments about the challenges of using Cesar Chavez for Route 17 and causing traffic congestion. Roberto replied that we will continue to monitor the situation.

Chair Cooper made remarks and thanked Capital Metro staff for the efforts in implementing Cap Remap. President Clarke thanked the Chair and mentioned that at the upcoming board meeting Dottie Watkins will be presented some customer enhancements that will help our bus riders, and emphasized that we are continuously analyzing the recent changes with the aim of making adjustments and improvements.

#### II. Public Comment:

Patricia Crow, citizen, made comments about the new routing of Route 300 along 51st Street. There is a long distance between Springdale Road to Rogge Lane and Rogge to Manor Road. This is a challenge to the disabled and when it is very hot out. She also expressed that there are security concerns in this area. Many of Ms. Crow's fellow customers are unhappy.

Zenobia Joseph, citizen, gave comments related to due process. Board member Kitchen's resolution was exclusionary, as it did not include the minority Route 240. It was disingenuous for staff to say to the media that only approximately 25 people who rode this route -- statistics do not bear this out. I ask you for an exception to policy and to restore this service and service on Route 392. You granted a similar exception to white-serving routes. FTA guidance is that if you do find a disparate impact you are obligated to discuss and analyze alternatives, and you did not do so for Route 240. This is a disservice to the people of northeast Austin.

## III. Items for Future Discussion:

## IV. Adjournment

Adjourn: 12:26 p.m.

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