

Portland Streetcar Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, March 17, 2016, 3:30-5:00 p.m., Portland City Hall, Pettygrove Room

Members in Attendance: Owen Ronchelli, Chair; Lenny Anderson; David Brandt; Carolyn Brock; Bill Danneman; Reza Farhoodi; Susan Pearce; Cora Potter; Zoe Presson

Staff Attendance: Dan Bower, Julie Gustafson

Others in Attendance: David Bouchard

1. Meeting Called to Order:

Ronchelli called the meeting to Order. The minutes from the January 21, 2016 and February 18, 2016 meetings were approved.

2. Public Comment

No Public Comment was made.

3. Station Consolidation

Bower presented a draft of the station consolidation results memo. The signal timing on NW 11th at Everett has been improved allowing the majority of streetcars to make the green light and travel from Glisan to Everett. That was the one result the CAC was waiting to see the results of at the February meeting before making a final recommendation. Ronchelli asked if the signal change will be a permanent fix. Bower responded that they were able to permanently fix the issue with a change in timing and no additional equipment. Discussion was held about the additional data. Pearce asked what will happen to the stations once the final decision is made. Bower responded that the shelters will be taken down and the signage removed. Gustafson added that the online maps and brochures will be updated as well. The CAC approved a motion to support the closure of all 5 stop locations.

4. Broadway Bridge Closure

Gustafson reported that the Broadway Bridge roadway will be closed beginning Monday, March 21, 2016 for approximately 3 weeks. The south sidewalk will also be closed. A & B Loops will be combined into the U shaped service from the Pearl to the platform at Ross before using the turnback on the east end of the Broadway Bridge and heading back to the Pearl. Signs have been posted online and at every shelter and in every streetcar. Customer Service Agents have been out talking with riders over the past week to help ensure as many people as possible are aware of the upcoming closure.

5. Formation of CAC Membership Subcommittee

Ronchelli reported that a subcommittee needs to be formed to work on the CAC membership including assigning tenures to everyone currently on the committee and spearhead the nominating committee. Brandt, Potter, and Ronchelli volunteered at the meeting. The subcommittee will work together to survey the current membership and then start the recruitment process.

6. New Website Design Review

Ronchelli reported that the progress continues on the new website. Gustafson walked the committee through the first round design. Feedback was provided.

7. Staff Updates

No other updates were reported.

8. Other Business

Ronchelli announced that the May meeting will be cancelled.

The next meeting for the Streetcar Citizens Advisory Committee will be Thursday, April 21, 2016, 3:30pm-5:00pm at City Hall, Pettygrove Room. **Note that the May meeting of the CAC has been cancelled.** Please call Julie Gustafson at (503) 222-4200 or email at julie.gustafson@portlandstreetcar.org if you have any questions regarding this committee. The CAC meetings are open to the public.