

**Portland Streetcar Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 25th, 2018, 3:30-5:00 p.m., PSI Offices**

Members in Attendance: Owen Ronchelli, Chair; David Brandt, Vice Chair; Lenny Anderson; Kara Boden; Carolyn Brock; Michael Cannarella; Sorin Garber; Susan Pearce; Cora Potter; Zoe Presson; Debra Unverdruss; Erik Wilson; Bill Bagnall

Staff Attendance: Dan Bower

Others in Attendance: Raymond Becich, Stephen Weber

1. Meeting Called to Order:

Ronchelli called the meeting to Order. The minutes from the November 11, 2017 were approved.

2. Public Comment

Mr. Becich reported that more often than usual, riders are taking up far too much space with personal belongings and sleeping on the streetcar. Mr. Becich asked if a streetcar staff checks fares on each loop.

Mr. Weber reported that Northbound Moody near Porter has become an issue with motor vehicles overpassing the northbound streetcars where the streetcar holds for a signal.

3. Staff Updates

Bower reported that PSI is a sponsor of the Winter Light Festival providing free rides to attendees from 5pm – 10pm Friday – Sunday. In addition, Bower reported that PSI and the City will be providing an annual report to City Council on 2/7/18, and the City and PSI are planning to bring a streetcar vehicle procurement to City Council on 2/7/18 as well. The vehicle procurement may get delayed by a few weeks due to some contract issues.

4. PSI Board Update

Bower reported that the PSI Board has agreed to meet once every other month, and to form certain sub-committees. The sub-committees for planning and communications will be open to a broader audience, including more participation from the CAC and others. Mr. Garber asked about further advocacy opportunities for the CAC and others. Mr. Ronchelli suggested bringing in a meeting facilitator to help the CAC develop a communications and advocacy strategy for the group.

5. Streetcar Vehicle Update

Bower reported that he and Streetcar Maintenance Manager Gary Cooper visited Brookville Equipment in Brookville, PA during the second week of January. Mr. Cooper and Mr. Bower met with Brookville staff to discuss vehicle procurement; and Mr. Bower shared photos with the CAC of the cars' exteriors, interiors and seating plan as well as other similarities and changes.

6. NW Portland Streetcar Extensions

Bower and the group discussed the pros and cons of two proposed streetcar extensions to Northwest Portland; one using NW Raleigh/Thurman and the other using NW Wilson/York.

7. Ridership Data and Trends

Ridership and fare survey data was included in the packet.

8. Other Business

None

The next meeting for the Streetcar Citizens Advisory Committee will be Thursday, March 15, 2018, 3:30pm-5:00pm at Portland City Hall, Pettygrove Room.