Portland Streetcar Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, February 15, 2018, 3:30-5:00 p.m., City Hall

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; Ian Stude

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 January 2018 were approved (Pearce motion, Garber seconded).

2. Public Comment

Mr. Becich reported repeated altercations on-board streetcar stemming from operators not stopping at stations when a customer doesn't signal for a stop. Also, inconsistency amongst operators is leading to confusion. Mr. Becich requests a standardized procedure and more communication from operators to customers.

3. Project Updates

Vehicle Procurement: City Council action will be on March 21, 2018 to order two new cars from Brookville Equipment Company. Bower is working with Sound Transit to procure the two new cars in cooperation with Tacoma.

Northwest Streetcar Expansion: the group reflected on a recent discussion around the proposal to expand streetcar to Montgomery Park. Bower presented at Northwest Industrial Business Association (NIBA) and reported the group was largely neutral on the project. Bower also presented to TriMet and Metro staff. PBOT's budget request to support the project remains in play.

The group discussed the project at length. Mr. Anderson motioned that the CAC provide a letter of support for the project to City Hall specific to the request for \$370,000 in City General Funds to support the NW Portland Streetcar alignments. Ms. Pearce seconded the motion. The CAC voted to support the project with Mr. Garber abstaining from the vote.

4. Advocacy and Committee Structure Update

As discussed at the previous meeting; Bower explained how the PSI Board is restructuring to support project-specific sub-committees including participation from the CAC. Bower explained the roles of the new committees (Governance, Planning & Projects, and Equity and Advocacy). The committees will begin meeting in March and report back to the CAC and Board in April.

5. Ridership Data and Trends

Ridership and fare survey data was included in the packet.

6. Other Business

The CAC will be hosting a table at the Oregon Active Transportation Summit on March 15, 2018; several committee members volunteered to work at the table.

Bower announced the Broadway Bridge will be closed on February 24 (Saturday) for project completion. The Streetcar will turn-around at N. Larabee.

The Annual meeting of the Community Streetcar Coalition will be on April 15-18 in New Orleans. Chair Ronchelli will be joining Bower at the summit.

Bower announced that Streetcar will be partnering with Sunday Parkways to discuss partnerships with the Green Loop event on July 22. Streetcar will be hosting its Mobile Music Festival during the event.

The next meeting for the Streetcar Citizens Advisory Committee will be Thursday, April 26, 2018, 3:30pm-5:00pm at Portland City Hall, Pettygrove Room.