



SPC Transit Operators Committee

Meeting Minutes: June 12, 2024

Attendance

Members

Alan Blahovec (WCTA)	Mavis Rainey (OTMA)
David Wohlwill (PRT)	Ashley Seman (MMVTA)
John Paul (BTA)	Amy Mathieson (ACTA)
Anthony Hickton (CI)	Patti Lynn Johnston (TACT)
Mary Jo Morandini (BCTA)	Ian Ramsey (WASH)

Guests & Transit Staff

David Totten (HDR)	Ashley Cooper-Brounce (WCTA)
Nancy Basile (MMVTA)	Oscar Medina (URA)
Tiffany Chaffee (TACT)	Julia Cornell (PennDOT)
Brandon Leach (PennDOT)	Ann Ogoreuc (Allegheny Co.)
Matt Crea (PennDOT)	David White (POGOH)
Alison Keating	Becky Butler

SPC Staff

Dominic D'Andria	Tom Klevan
Chuck Imbrogno	Russell Singer
Devon White	Ronda Craig
Julia Ferri	Lillian Gabreski
Ryan Gordon	

1. Introductions

- a. Alan Blahovec called meeting to order.

2. Minutes

- a. The minutes from the previous meeting of the TOC on May 15, 2024, were **approved on a motion by Mary Jo Morandini and second by Mavis Rainey**

3. Transit Participant Updates

- a. BCTA: Recently completed rebranding process, will hold a public launch party for the rebranding on Friday, June 28 from 10:00 to 4:00p. Event will be held at Rochester Transportation Center. Microtransit pilot in Midland is moving forward with service expected to start in November.
- b. BTA: Previously approved fare increase is being implemented, local news media to provide coverage
- c. PRT: PRT added a new sixty-foot articulated electric bus, one of what will be fifteen new electric buses that will operate the Downtown-Oakland BRT corridor. Seven of the fifteen are funded from EPA's Targeted Airshed Grant.

4. PennDOT and FTA Updates

- a. PennDOT (Brandon Leach): Provided updates about NEVI grant funding; round 1B funding opportunity is still open until July 10. More information available here: [National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure \(NEVI\) Formula Program \(pa.gov\)](https://www.pa.gov/agencies/transportation/programs/national-electric-vehicle-infrastructure-formula-program)
Also PennDOT's Electric Vehicle Charging Reliability and Accessibility Accelerator (EVC-RAA) program is open for applications beginning July 2 and closing August 14. More information available here: [EVC-RAA-Program \(pa.gov\)](https://www.pa.gov/agencies/transportation/programs/evc-raa-program)
5. TIP Amendments and Administrative Actions
 - a. ACTS: MPMS# 1114525 – Increase of funding amounts for purchasing replacement small transit vehicles. **Approved on a motion by Mary Jo Morandini and second by Ashley Seman**
 - b. WASH: MPMS# 106646 – Allocation of federal funding and adjustment of state funding to complete the purchasing of transit vehicles. **Approved on a motion by Ashley Seman and second by Mary Jo Morandini**
 - c. WASH: MPMS# 111123 – Addition detail specification added to project description, no change in funding. **Approved on a motion by Ashley Seman and second by Mary Jo Morandini**
 - d. WCTA: MPMS# 114540 – Increase of funding amounts to complete purchase of shared-ride vehicles. **Approved on a motion by Ashley Seman and Mary Jo Morandini**
 - e. SPC: MPMS# 119317 – Flexing of SPC's discretionary CMAQ funds to CommuteInfo. **Approved on Special Expedited Approval vote via e-mail, 11 votes for and 0 (zero) against**
6. FY 2025-2028 TIP and Companion Documents; Recommendation for Commission Adoption
 - a. Public outreach and comment period ended June 7th, written comment responses are being coordinated and prepared with PennDOT, City, County, and transit agency staff
 - b. Tom Klevan presented three resolutions for approval to recommend to the Commission for adoption of the 2025 TIP:
 - i. Resolution 5-24, certifying the TIP complies with the federal Clean Air Act
 - ii. Resolution 6-24, certifying that the TIP planning process follows all applicable federal planning requirements and included local processes to enhance public participation
 - iii. Resolution 7-24, adoption of the TIP
 - c. The three resolutions were voted on jointly, and the recommendation for the Commission's adoption of the 2025 TIP was **approved on a motion by Mary Jo Morandini and second by John Paul**
7. SPC Staff Updates
 - a. Tom Klevan is in attendance for his last official TOC meeting due to upcoming retirement. Tom introduced Devon White as the incoming Manager of Transit

Planning. Devon is new to the region and joins us from Illinois, previously the Director of Innovation at Rock Island County Metro Mass Transit.

- b. Dom D'Andrea led the group in thanking Tom for his illustrious career and notable contributions to transit and planning in our region.
- c. Russell Singer updated the group on SPC's PR team's current project for photography and b-roll video capture. Our communications team is looking for photography that highlights our work in the region and is requesting suggestions or leads for scenes, locations, or events that would be useful to capture. Especially of importance would be any projects that are on the TIP regardless of completion state, so that they may be captured before, after, or in-progress.

8. Other Business

- a. PRT's Bus Line Redesign project is ongoing, now is the time to reach out and begin discussions about coordination needs. Please contact David Wohlwill or Derek Dauphin with any needs
- b. July 11 is the annual joint TTC/TOC meeting, it's an excellent opportunity to communicate our needs to county planners. If there are any agenda items or topics that should be considered for this meeting, please contact Russell Singer or Chuck Imbrogno
- c. The meeting calendar for 2024-2025 TOC meeting schedule was presented and voted upon for recommendation to the Commission. **The recommendation was approved on a motion by John Paul and second by Ashley Seman**
- d. The next scheduled TOC meeting is July 11, 2024

9. Adjournment

- a. **The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mary Jo Morandini and second by Ashley Seman**