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Meeting Notes

Public Transit Advisory Committee Meeting
Monday, November 11, 2019 @ 4:10 PM
City Hall Riverfront - Ad Astra Room - 1
Riverfront Plaza, Suite 320

**MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Heather Thies, Phyllis Farrar, Mike Wasikowski, Nick Kuzmyak

ABSENT:

Sarah Trumble, Allen Ackland, Lance Fahy, Natalie Yoza, Bill Wilson

**STAFF
PRESENT:**

Jessica Mortinger, Serena Pearson, Wendy Koerner, Brandon McGuire, Dustin Smith

**PUBLIC
PRESENT:**

Jinan Amin

A. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 4:12pm. Introductions were made. There was not a quorum.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mike W. shared that Wichita KS was moving towards Electric Buses in partnership with Evergy to develop infrastructure to charge electric vehicles. He said the City should consider electric technology in transit center development and transit vehicle purchase.

C. APPROVE MINUTES:

No Quorum

1. Review minutes

ACTION: No action since no quorum

D. AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Transit Manager Hiring Update - Discussion Item

Brandon McGuire, Assistant City Manager updated PTAC on the recruitment process for a new Transit Manager. He asked PTAC members to weigh in on what's going well and things that should be considered for improvements as staff work on hiring a new manager.

2. Transit Center and Amenities - Discussion Item

Brandon McGuire shared that City staff have a drafted memorandum of understanding (MOU) with KU in order to move forward on preliminary analysis of the site by the City. The MOU is expected to go to the City Commission by the end of 2019.

Brandon McGuire introduced Dustin Smith, as the project engineer assigned to manage the transit center design and development process.

Jessica Mortinger noted that we are awaiting amenities to be installed. Wendy Koerner explained that there are 20 sites that are planned for amenities.

Brandon McGuire mentioned Velocity Church has donated \$10,000 to the City of Lawrence for transit amenities and be put to the best use. The money will be most likely used for benches.

E. QUICK UPDATES:

1. Upcoming Vacancies on PTAC - [Public Transit Advisory Committee Roster](#)

Two current positions expire at the end of 2019.

2. City Advisory Board Protocol

PTAC agendas and minutes will be posted in iCompass and notifications will be sent to the PTAC email subscription list.

3. Meeting Time and Location

Members discussed time and location options for future PTAC meetings.

F. NEXT MEETING:

The December 9 meeting will be canceled, so January 13, 2020 will be the next meeting.

G. ADJOURNMENT:

Prior to adjournment, Jinan Amin asked about the procedure to become a member of the Public Transit Advisory Committee. Jessica Mortinger explained the process.