



Transit Advisory Board
Alvarado Transportation Center – 2nd Floor
Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2018

Board Members

In Attendance:

Brendan Miller, Harris Balkin, Nancy Jones Francis, Geoff Zehnder, Bill Richardson, Dave Kesner, Patricia Salisbury, Bob Tilley

Members of the Public

In Attendance:

Peggy Chong, Christopher Ramirez, Will Maus

ABQ Ride

In Attendance:

Amanda Trujillo, Customer Service Supervisor; Adrian Cera, Office Assistant

Meeting Called to Order:

Brendan Miller called the meeting to order at 11:47AM. He called roll and asked everyone in attendance to state their name and mode of transportation; Brendan Miller-Walked, Harris Balkin-Drove, Nancy

Jones Francis-Walked, Geoff Zehnder-Drove, Bill Richardson-Drove, Bob Tilley-Walked, Dave Kesner-Drove, Patricia Salisbury-Bus, Adrian Cera-Drove, Amanda Trujillo-Drove.

Acceptance of Agenda:

Brendan Miller motioned to approve agenda – all members of the board agreed.

Approval of Minutes from December:

Brendan Miller, Harris Balkin, Nancy Jones Francis, Geoff Zehnder, Bill Richardson, Dave Kesner, Patricia Salisbury; All acclaimed approval

Mr. Kesner mentioned that Mr. Balkin’s request to have the Mayor’s comments included on the last page are in the newspaper

Mr. Miller stated that he has not heard back from the Mayor’s office concerning the invitation to have the Mayor attend the TAB meeting

Public Comment

None

Chairperson’s report

Mr. Miller commented on the press conference from Tuesday given by the Mayor, that it was very disappointing news and he also expressed gratitude to Mayor Keller from his strong leadership, honesty and transparency regarding the ART project.

Ms. Jones Francis stated that the press conference was informative and expressed appreciation because the public deserves to know why there are so many delays.

Ms. Salisbury expressed concerns that problems seem bigger than just a few tweaks.

There were also concerns that they have been misled by the Department of Transit and that as board members should be able to have information like this before the general public.

The board also expressed strong concern for the project's completion date, funding and mechanical issues with the ART buses. They also requested additional information from the Transit administration regarding the resolution to all of these issues brought up with the Mayor's press conference and a projected date for when ART will be up and running.

They also wanted to share that ART is a great idea, as Mr. Balkin stated that the feedback he got from the public was very positive

Director's report

None

Unfinished business

None

New Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 12:45