

Citizens Advisory Council June 28, 2017 meeting minutes

1. Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance, Welcome and Introductions

Attendees: Dalila Sotelo, Darrell Clarke, Hank Fung, Seymour Rosen, Chioma Agbahiwe, Greg Anderson, Tony Banash, Brian Bowens, Scott Chan, Michael Conrad, Russ Davies, Danielle Lafayette, Angelo Logan, Penelope Meyer, Keith Martin, Jazmin Ortega, Wally Shidler, Jerard Wright

Introductions – everyone introduced themselves. Members discussed areas of influence the CAC has. It was commented that influence is through speaking with the appointer to find out their areas of interest, through dialogue with Metro staff handling these issues, and through letters and comments directly with the CEO and other organizations. It was also discussed about connecting the CAC with other organizations in a more robust manner. The chair indicated that after administrative issues were worked out last year, that this year may be a good year. It was asked whether there is a budget for the CAC. Metro staff stated that the CAC is funded under Community Relations and that Phil Washington, Metro CEO, is supportive of the role. Tony Banash indicated that the CAC fulfills a statutory mandate.

2. Meeting Minutes

May 2017 minutes motion by Shidler, seconded by Wright, carried unanimously Chan, Anderson, Logan, and Lafayette abstained.

4. Measure M Guidelines Update

This item was taken out of order.

Guidelines were adopted by Metro board in June. Administrative procedures need to be completed. This will be comprehensive. The Policy Advisory Council will be used to assist in development. The administrative procedures will take approximately six to twelve months to develop. Jurisdictions also are concerned about when they will receive their funds. Therefore, cash flow and multi year subregional programs are the first guidelines to be developed. Other guidelines will follow, up to 12 months from now. Out of the 2% for seniors, students, and the disabled, the shares have been fixed by Metro Board direction with 75% going towards paratransit and 25% going towards fixed route subsidies. Metro staff indicated that seniors already get significant discounts, but CAC members stated that they may need to be better publicized. Dalila summarized the PAC's comments on Measure M Guidelines.

With respect to a question receive on BRT, the guidelines for Countywide BRT will be developed in the next 24 months as the Countywide BRT study is refreshed. The previous study was in 2013. The study will include performance metrics, and will include non-Metro agencies.

Action items – ensure that the CAC monitor development of the guidelines and be updated about the guidelines and timeline. The next Policy Advisory Council meeting is July 11 and they are open to the public. Metro staff will provide a summary to the Policy Advisory Council and respond directly to their comments, which will be shared with the CAC.

Louis Burns, Access Services, provided public comment regarding the ADA/paratransit component of Measure M.

5. Election of Officers

This item was taken out of order. Nominations were taken.

For chair, Dalila Sotelo, Michael Conrad.

For vice chair, Darrell Clarke, Michael Conrad, Danielle Lafayette, and Chioma Agbahiwe.

For secretary, Hank Fung.

For chair emeritus, Seymour Rosen.

Ballots were cast and the results of the poll were chair: Dalila Sotelo, vice chair: Darrell Clarke, secretary: Hank Fung, chair emeritus: Seymour Rosen.

Motion by Shidler, seconded by Ortega, carried unanimously to accept these results and install the above as officers for FY 17-18.

3. Standing items

Status of member appointments was discussed. Metro staff has an attendance list with emails to members and is engaging board deputies.

Crenshaw tour – two spots are open. Tour is July 7 at 1:30 pm.

Metro staff will distribute the agenda forecast at Executive Committee. The Chair explained Executive Committee to the new members and encouraged them to volunteer.

6. Adopt Fiscal Year 2017-18 Work Plan

The work plan was adopted with changes shown in the document.

Motion Martin./Second Ortega/Carried Unanimously.

8. CAC request for information on restrooms

This item was taken out of order.

Discussion ensued. Metro consistent position has been that there is no current budget and funding for maintenance would also need to be identified. Members discussed possibly using public private partnerships to fund the restrooms. This would be discussed at a future CAC Executive Committee meeting for possible adding to the agenda should the members wish.

7. SB 268 position

The bill was tabled. A draft letter was circulated. Discussion ensued on a letter to delegate writing of the letter to Executive Committee to be sent out as they see fit. Some members believed that since the bill was tabled, the letter was moot, while others felt that it could be resurrected at any time. Motion by Martin, seconded by Fung, carried with seven yeases, three nos, and one abstention.

Metro staff were asked to report back at a future Executive Committee on the status of the bill, background on how Metro Board was constituted, and if they are self-examining whether the current model is appropriate for future governance.

10. Items not on posted agenda

Angelo Logan requested that the CAC review the I-710 South corridor project, for which an EIR would be released later this summer. He provided background on the I-710 corridor and possible displacement of individuals and environmental justice concerns. He indicated that the Metro Board had a motion to request the EIR for the project review specific aspects. The action he would like the CAC to take is to write a letter to the Metro Board reminding them of the Board motion and directing that the staff comply with Motion 22.1 of October 2015. There was consensus to review the sending of a possible letter at the July CAC Executive Committee meeting, with possible action at the July CAC General Assembly meeting.

11. Adjournment

Motion by Ortega, seconded by Martin, carried unanimously.