



**MASS TRANSIT DEPARTMENT BOARD MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
June 10, 2025**

A meeting of the Mass Transit Department Board was called to order at 11:32 a.m. Board Chair Renard Johnson was present and presiding and the following Board Members answered roll call: Alejandra Chávez, Josh Acevedo, Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Cynthia Boyar Trejo, Ivan Niño, Art Fierro, Lily Limón, and Chris Canales.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:

Motion made by Board Member Limón, seconded by Board Member Fierro, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** all matters listed under the Consent Agenda unless otherwise noted. (Items approved, postponed, or deleted pursuant to the vote on the Consent Agenda will be shown with an asterisk {*}.)

AYES: Board Chair Johnson and Board Members Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

CONSENT AGENDA – APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

GOAL 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

1. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the minutes of the Regular Mass Transit Department Board meeting of May 13, 2025.
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CONSENT AGENDA – REQUEST TO EXCUSE ABSENT MASS TRANSIT BOARD MEMBERS:

GOAL 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

2. **NO ACTION** was taken on this item.
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CONSENT AGENDA – BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

3. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Keith Andrews to the Sun Metro Citizens Advisory Committee by Representative Alejandra Chávez.
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REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS:

Goal 7: Enhance and Sustain El Paso's Infrastructure Network

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration (“FTA”) is currently accepting applications for the Fiscal Year 2025 Low or No Emission Grant Program and the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso, Texas (“City”), through its Mass Transit Department (“Sun Metro”), wishes to submit a grant application for the Fiscal Year 2025 Low or No Emission Grant Program and the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program (“Grant”); and

WHEREAS, the Grant funding is in the amount of \$1,963,500.00 and requires a total match of \$346,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the City will be requesting \$161,700.00 in Transportation Development Credit from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to reduce the City's match portion; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the funds received under the Grant would be used for improving public transit and funding the purchase of low emission vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the project will improve City's transit system, further the City's goal to improve air quality throughout the City and therefore support a high quality of life for the El Paso community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MASS TRANSIT DEPARTMENT BOARD OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

1. **THAT** the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to sign the documents related to the Fiscal Year 2025 Low or No Emission Grant Program and the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program which offers funding in the amount of \$1,963,500.00 and requires a cash match of \$346,500.00; and
2. **THAT** the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to sign any agreements, verifications or documents required to carry out the purpose of this resolution; and
3. **THAT** the City shall provide all matching funds, in the amount of \$184,800.00, for said grant.

Motion made by Board Member Fierro, seconded by Board Member Limón, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Board Chair Johnson and Board Members Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño,

Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: None

ADJOURN

Motion made by Board Member Limón, seconded by Board Member Niño, and unanimously carried to
ADJOURN the meeting at 11:34 a.m.

AYES: Board Chair Johnson and Board Members Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño,
Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: None

Approved as to content:

Anthony DeKeyzer, Director of Mass Transit