SUN METRO CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SMCAC) March 12, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

Call meeting to order.

Meeting was called to order at 3:05PM. The following Committee Members were present:

District	Name	Present	Absent
D1	Jesus Salgado		X
D2	Elisa Tamayo		X
D3	William Graham	X	
D4	Sandy Azcona		X
D5	Aziz Afravi	X	
D6	Angela Ochoa	X	
D7	Sylvia Carreon	X	
D8	Scott White		X
Mayor	Vacant		

1. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Committee meeting of September 11, 2024.

Minutes were not approved due to lack of quorum.

2. Update on current operations after the fire of February 11 at Sun Metro Transit Operations Center.

Mr. DeMuro explained the changes that took effect due to the incident.

3. Discussion regarding Sun Metro's review of transit vehicle types and vehicle purchase plan.

Mr. DeMuro went over the purchase plan numbers in detail.

4. Discussion regarding a review of on-time performance for paratransit trips.

Mr. Arnold went over the on-time performance numbers for LIFT.

5. Discussion regarding an update on Veterans Ride for Free grant progress.

Mr. Reyes went over the numbers of expenditure for the TVC program. A few committee members had follow-up questions to which Mr. Reyes responded. Ms. Orozco and Mr. Arnold went over the process for both fixed route and LIFT.

6. Discussion regarding progress on accessible pathways construction project for Sun Metro Rising.

Mr. Mendez went over the progress on this project. Ms. Carreon asked why District 4 had more priority improvements than other districts, Mr. Mendez responded. Mr. Afravi asked

if the bus routes would be changed, Ms. Garcia stated that we were deviating from the actual item.

7. Discussion regarding training portal for committee members.

Ms. Orozco went over the training portal along with a presentation.

8. Discussion regarding committee members and meeting attendance.

This item was not discussed since Mr. White was not present.

9. For notation

Mr, DeMuro gave out Mr. Caraveo's contact info regarding the Sun Metro Paratransit Advisory Public Meeting.

Public Comment

Mr. Afravi went over a personal experience regarding LIFT and the fact that he did not receive a call back. Mr. Graham asked if we can provide more information regarding the incident. Ms. Garcia advised to refrain from asking since it is an open investigation. Citizen asked how we provide incentives to our drivers, stated has seen buses speeding and stopping abruptly, asked if we had comment cards and inquired on the rules for riding bikes on the terminals.

Adjourn

Meeting was not adjourned due to lack of quorum.

Approved as to content:

Anthony R. DeKeyzer

Anthony R. DeKeyzer, Director of Mass Transit