



**PTAB
MEETING MINUTES
December 12, 2019; 5:30 – 7:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Andrew Ooms called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

2. ROLL CALL

PTAB PRESENT:

Andrew Ooms
Doug Miller
Jennifer Ham
Chelsea Ward-
Waller
Dawn Groth

PTAB ABSENT:

Elijah Haines
Genevieve Mina

STAFF:

Jamie Acton
Bart Rudolph
April White
Alison Gutacker
Christine Schuette

**CITIZENS
PRESENT:**

Shirley Smith
Linda Larson
Miranda Manet
Alan B. Rice

Sunshine

Paul Watson
Sean P. Ryan
Bev Wilke
Jackie Pagaduan
Samuel Moore
Danyl Edwards
Patricia Olsen
Jennifer D. Kotyk
Graciela Paz

Albert Edenshaw
Thomas Hollids
Angela (Starla) Roman

After roll call, a quorum was present.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Dawn Groth moved,
Ms. Chelsea Ward-Waller seconded,

to approve the agenda

and the motion passed without objection.

4. Public Involvement Announcement

Mr. Andrew Ooms read the public involvement announcement.

5. Action / Information Items

a) Minutes of the November 14, 2019 Meeting (ACTION)

Ms. Chelsea Ward-Waller moved, to approve the minutes of the PTAB
Ms. Dawn Groth seconded, meeting of November 14, 2019

Amendment: Mr. Doug Miller asked that the previous meeting minutes have the title say “minutes” rather than the word “agenda.”

Mr. Doug Miller moved, to approve the minutes of the PTAB
Ms. Jennifer Ham seconded, meeting of November 14, 2019 as
amended

and the motion passed as amended without objection.

b) 2020 Operating Budget Update (INFORMATION)

Information provided by Ms. Jamie Acton.

c) Transit on the Move Draft Plan / Upcoming Public Comment Period (INFORMATION)

Information provided by Ms. Christine Schuette.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS (2 Minutes Each)

Members of the public provided comments.

7. MEMBER COMMENTS

Ms. Chelsea Ward-Waller thanked the audience for providing comments and noted that it is helpful now that we have funding for a Loussac/Old Seward route that if people would like a Turnagain route that they should speak up. The public should continue to speak up about what improvements to the system they would like to see.

Ms. Dawn Groth noted that it is recommended to walk for 22 minutes a day to help avoid health complications. Public transit provides a great opportunity to get that walk in each day. She also informed everyone that Alaska spends half a billion dollars each year in obesity related diseases. Ms. Dawn Groth referenced three studies that show how transit users walk on average more than people who do not ride the bus.

Ms. Jennifer Ham thanked Ms. Jamie Acton for the update on the Dimond Center and is looking forward to a route going directly to the library.

Mr. Doug Miller thanked the public for being in attendance. He hoped that we reached out to the community councils in the area that the proposed route H travels along. Mr. Doug Miller remembers riding that route but noted that there were not that many passengers that rode that bus. If people really want that route back, then they are going to have to speak up as the process moves further along.

Mr. Andrew Ooms let the public know that they have been listening to the public over the last couple years. He noted that they have done their part on their end, and the public has done their part to help make this new route happen. Mr. Andrew Ooms noted that this is cause for a celebration. Opportunities for the assembly to vote on transit expansion do not come around very often, so to get the support of the assembly for this is great.

8. Adjournment Time: 6:25pm

Ms. Chelsea Ward-Waller moved,
Ms. Dawn Groth seconded,

to adjourn the PTAB meeting of
December 12, 2019

and the motion passed without objection.

Mr. Andrew Ooms adjourned the meeting at 6:25pm.

The next PTAB meeting will be held on January 9, 2020, 5:30 - 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Alison Gutacker, Fixed Route Scheduler

For detailed Board discussion, please refer to the recording of this meeting located on the Municipal Website at <http://www.muni.org/Departments/transit/Pages/PublicTransitAdvisoryBoard.aspx>