



**Municipality of Anchorage  
Public Transit Advisory Board  
Meeting Agenda  
November 18, 2021; 5:30-7:00 P.M.  
<https://bit.ly/PTAB-November-2021>**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Roll Call**

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

**4. Public Involvement Announcement:**

For those watching live online, comments and questions can be submitted via Teams Live Q&A by clicking on the Q&A button on the right side of the screen. Public comments for this meeting have also been collected via email and people have had the opportunity to sign up for a phone call. When the Board reaches your agenda item, your comment will be addressed, first by written comment, then by Teams Live Q&A, and finally via outbound phone call. If you have elected to be contacted by phone, the meeting moderator will attempt to call you after the agenda item has been discussed by the Board. You will have 2 minutes to speak on each item you wish to comment on. Written comments will be read aloud by the meeting moderator after the items have been discussed by the Board. Teams Live Q&A comments will be addressed when appropriate. A recording is being made of this meeting and will be posted on the Municipal website.

**5. Action / Information Items**

- a. Minutes of the October 14, 2021 meeting (Action Item)
- b. Director's Update (Info Item)
- c. Mental Health Trust Grant (Action Item)
- d. Nominations for Vice Chair (Action Item)
- e. Election for Vice Chair (Action Item)
- f. Ridership Update (Info Item)

**6. Public Comments [2 minutes each]**

**7. Member Comments**

**8. Adjournment**

**Next PTAB Meeting Date:**

PTAB regular meeting – December 9, 2021



**Public Transit Advisory Board (PTAB)  
MEETING MINUTES  
October 14, 2021, 5:30–7:00 p.m.  
<https://bit.ly/PTAB-October-2021>**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Sarah Preskitt called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**PTAB PRESENT:**

Sarah Preskitt  
Doug Miller  
Genevieve Mina  
Chelsea Ward-Waller  
Ric Nelson  
Peter Hill

**CITIZENS PRESENT:**

Zero unique logins were recorded for this meeting.

**PTAB ABSENT:**

Brandon Roulet  
Jennifer Ham  
Leslie Vines

After roll call, a quorum was present.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Mr. Peter Hill moved to approve the October 14, 2021 agenda,

Mr. Ric Nelson seconded,

*And the motion passed without objection.*

**4. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**

Ms. Sarah Preskitt read the public involvement announcement.

**5. ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A. Minutes of the September 9, 2021 meeting (Action Item)**

Mr. Peter Hill moved to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2021 meeting,

Mr. Ric Nelson seconded,

*And the motion passed without objection.*

**B. Director's Update (Info Item)**

Information provided by Ms. Jamie Acton.

**C. Targeted Awareness Campaign Survey (Info Item)**

Information provided by Ms. Holly Spoth-Torres.

**D. Public Transportation Department Budget (Info Item)**

Information provided by Ms. Jamie Acton.

**E. Calendaring of the November 11, 2021 PTAB Meeting (Action Item)**

Ms. Genevieve Mina moved to approve that the board would hold the next meeting on November 18, 2021,

Mr. Peter Hill seconded,

*And the motion passed without objection.*

**F. Ridership Update (Info Item)**

Information provided by Mr. Nicholas Abugel, Mr. Paris Butler, and Mr. Bart Rudolph.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Andrea Eddy — please have the GIS-savvy mappers embed bar scales in each bus-route map (and also on the overall system map). This would be very helpful, as presumably no one lives at the bus stop, and distance to get to a bus route would be helpful to be able to measure (approximate using a bar scale). It should be graphic, not verbal, as maps are viewed at various sizes.

Also, earlier I was going to ask that People Mover ensures that the route number (not just the connecting routes' numbers) is on each separate route map. It looks like this issue may have already been addressed.

Celia (via phone) — had concerns about the People Mover bus pass—specifically, whether or not credit for the four days she gets to ride for free roll over to the next month. She also noted that the drivers do not deserve some of the abuse given out by some passengers.

**7. MEMBER COMMENTS**

Doug Miller — thanked Chelsea and Jennifer for their participation in the meetings. He hopes that we can get two more members to join the board soon.

Genevieve Mina — echoing Doug, she thanked Jennifer and Chelsea for their participation on the board. She also noted that she has submitted her application for reappointment. She also thanked Celia for calling in and providing her public comments.

Peter Hill — echoed Doug and Genevieve in congratulating Chelsea and Jennifer for their participation on the board.

Ric Nelson — said that he wished Chelsea and Jennifer the best of luck in their future endeavors.

Sarah Preskitt — also congratulated Chelsea and Jennifer for their time on the board. She also mentioned that she is very excited about route 85 and has been riding it every day. She also recommended that if someone on the board wanted to testify before the Assembly, they should submit an appearance request.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Peter Hill moved to adjourn the PTAB meeting of October 14, 2021,

Ms. Genevieve Mina seconded,

*And the motion passed without objection.*

The next PTAB meeting will be held on November 18, 2021, 5:30–7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nicholas Abugel, Transit Planning Technician

*For details of the 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>.

**Municipality of Anchorage**  
**Public Transit Advisory Board Resolution #2021-04**

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY BOARD SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION  
FOR THE SFY2023 ALASKA MENTAL HEALTH TRUST GRANT

**WHEREAS**, the Alaska Mental Health Trust (AMHT) has provided funding to the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF) to support AMHT activities in the Region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is charged with making recommendations to the Assembly and Mayor on municipal policy with respect to budget review, capital improvement programs and funding of the public owned and operated transit system, and

**WHEREAS**, DOT&PF has issued a call for grant application for SFY2023; and

**WHEREAS**, provision of AMHT funding to the Municipality of Anchorage Public Transportation Department (PTD) would support the AnchorRIDES paratransit program and the service it provides to the target populations of elderly, disabled and AMHT beneficiaries; and

**WHEREAS**, PTD provides a program of AnchorRIDES services as part of the SFY 2023 AMHT grant application; and

**WHEREAS**, DOT&PF is to staff, support, and administer the AMHT grant program requiring a 20% match of local funds; and

**WHEREAS**, A resolution of the Board is required as part of the AMHT grant application by PTD; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Anchorage Public Transit Advisory Board strongly supports the AnchorRIDES program and the services it provides to the target populations of elderly, disabled, and AMHT beneficiaries in the Anchorage area; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Anchorage Public Advisory Board supports the application by PTD for SFY2023 funding under the AMHT grant program.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Public Transit Advisory Board  
this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021.

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Sarah Preskitt  
Chair