

Municipality of Anchorage Public Transit Advisory Board Meeting Agenda February 10, 2022; 5:30-7:00 P.M. https://bit.ly/PTAB-February-2022

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Approval of the Agenda
- 4. Public Involvement Announcement:

Audience participation at this meeting is limited to the Public Comments section of the agenda. However, the Chair may open any agenda item for public comment. Written comments will be addressed first, then verbal comments on a first-recognized basis by the Board Chair. Each commenter should state their name so it can be recorded in the minutes. Commenters will have two minutes to speak on each agenda item they wish to comment on. If you used the call-in number, please mute yourself when not speaking by dialing *6. A recording is being made of this meeting and will be posted on the Municipal website.

5. Action / Information Items

- a. Minutes of the December 9, 2021 meeting (Action Item)
- b. Minutes of the January 13, 2022, Meeting (Action Item)
- c. Director's Update (Info Item)
- d. Title 21 Resolution (Action Item)
- e. Advocating for Sidewalk Snow Removal (Info Item)
- f. New Advertising Policy (Info Item)
- g. Ridership Update (Info Item)
- **6. Public Comments** [2 minutes each]
- 7. Member Comments
- 8. Adjournment

Next PTAB Meeting Date:

PTAB regular meeting – March 10, 2022







Public Transit Advisory Board (PTAB) MEETING MINUTES December 9, 2021, 5:30–7:00 p.m. https://bit.ly/PTAB-December-2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

PTAB PRESENT: CITIZENS PRESENT:

Sarah Preskitt Genevieve Mina
CB Brady Madeline Holdo
Doug Miller Elizabeth Appleby

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Ric Nelson Peter Hill

PTAB ABSENT:

Leslie Vines

After roll call, a quorum was present.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Peter Hill moved to approve the December 9, 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 October 14, 2021 meeting (Action Item)

Mr. Peter Hill moved to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2021 meeting,

Mr. Ric Nelson seconded,

And the motion passed without objection.

B. Minutes of the November 18, 2021 meeting (Action Item)

Mr. Ric Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2021 meeting,

Mr. Peter Hill seconded,

And the motion passed without objection.

C. Director's Update

Information provided by Ms. Jamie Acton.

D. Title 21 Parking and Site Access Community Discussion Draft (Info Item)

Information provided by Ms. Elizabeth Appleby.

E. Mental Health Trust Grant (Action Item)

Mr. Peter Hill moved to approve the SFY2023 Alaska Mental Health Trust Grant as written,

Mr. Ric Nelson seconded,

And the motion passed without objection.

F. Advocating for Sidewalk Snow Removal (Info Item)

Information provided by Ms. Sarah Preskitt.

G. Board Member Orientation Materials (Info Item)

Information provided by Ms. Sarah Preskitt.

H. Nominations for Vice-Chair

Mr. Ric Nelson self-nominated for Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations for Vice-Chair.

I. Election for Vice-Chair

Ms. Sarah Preskitt opened the floor to vote.

Mr. Ric Nelson was elected as Vice-Chair without objection.

J. Ridership Update

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

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Madeline Holdo — stated that she has lived in Anchorage for more than 40 years and has ridden the bus for at least 15 of those years. She continued and stated that she is concerned about not having service available the day after Thanksgiving and that she would like People Mover to reconsider not having service the day after Thanksgiving. Genevieve Mina — said that she's excited about the potential action in regards to sidewalk snow removal. She also highlighted People Mover's Adopt a Stop program.

7. MEMBER COMMENTS

CB Brady — said that he is thankful to be on the board.

Doug Miller — said that he's grateful for all the energy and is excited to see that the board is back on track to getting things done.

Peter Hill — welcomed CB. Said that he's happy to have Ric as Vice-Chair and that he's happy to see things moving along.

Ric Nelson — said that he's glad to have CB onboard and that the board is moving forward with the two work groups.

Sarah Preskitt — said that she's excited about the work groups that were setup. She also welcomed CB and congratulated Ric on his appointment to Vice-Chair.

8. Adjournment

Mr. Peter Hill moved to adjourn the PTAB meeting of December 9, 2021,

Mr. CB Brady seconded,

And the motion passed without objection.

Without a quorum, this informational meeting ended at 6:55 PM.

The next PTAB meeting will be held on January 13, 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







Public Transit Advisory Board (PTAB) MEETING MINUTES January 13, 2022, 5:30–7:00 p.m. https://bit.ly/PTAB-January-2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

PTAB PRESENT: CITIZENS PRESENT:

Sarah Preskitt Genevieve Mina

Doug Miller Ric Nelson Peter Hill

PTAB ABSENT:

CB Brady

After the roll call, a quorum was not present.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Without a quorum, the agenda could not be approved; the meeting continued as an information session.

4. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Ms. Sarah Preskitt stated that, as the meeting was without a quorum, it would continue as an information session.

5. ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Minutes of the December 9, 2021 Meeting (Action Item)

Without a quorum, the December 9, 2021 minutes could not be approved.

B. Director's Update

Information was provided by Ms. Jamie Acton.

C. Title 21 Resolution (Action Item)

As the meeting was without a quorum, action on this item was postponed.

D. Advocating for Sidewalk Snow Removal (Info Item)

Information was provided by Ms. Sarah Preskitt.

E. Ridership Update

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

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Genevieve Mina said that she was excited about the progress of the bus stop snow removal. She also stated that she was curious about the progress of the new advertising policy.

7. MEMBER COMMENTS

Doug Miller said he was excited about the resolution discussing snow removal. He also stated that he was willing to discuss getting new board members and that he was interested in the new advertising policy.

Ric Nelson expressed that he did not have any comments for that day.

Peter Hill said that he wanted to continue the discussion on the new advertising policy.

Sarah Preskitt stated that she hoped that, by next month, there will be some new board members. She then thanked the staff for their help in obtaining information about the bus stop snow removal.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Without a quorum, this information session ended at 6:20 p.m.

The next PTAB meeting will be held on February 10, 2021, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nicholas Abugel Transit Planning Technician

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Municipality of Anchorage Public Transit Advisory Board Resolution #2022-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY BOARD SUPPORTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE PLANNING DEPARTMENT'S TITLE 21 PARKING AND SITE ACCESS AMENDMENTS

WHEREAS, the Planning Department at the Municipality of Anchorage has presented a Community Discussion Draft of updates to the Planning and Zoning rules for minimum parking and site access requirements, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Department at the Municipality of Anchorage has requested public comments on the aforementioned Community Discussion Draft

WHEREAS, the Anchorage 2040 Land Use Plan (LUP) designates transit-supportive development corridors, and

WHEREAS, the Board is intended to contribute to the long range planning of a balanced public transit system in the municipality, and

WHEREAS, the Board's core values are connection, equity, riders, and safety, and

WHEREAS, these updates include as one of its main proposals improvements to site access for pedestrians, bicyclists, ride-share, and public transit ridership, and

WHEREAS, the updates propose a 5% reduction in parking minimums if the developer or owner includes participation in a rideshare program, a 10% reduction in parking requirements if the developer or owner includes transit benefits, and a 2% reduction in parking requirements if the developer or owner includes a transit stop or shelter in cooperation with the Planning and Public Transportation Departments, and

WHEREAS, the Public Transportation Department offers a rideshare program and programs for organizations to offer transit benefits to their constituents, and

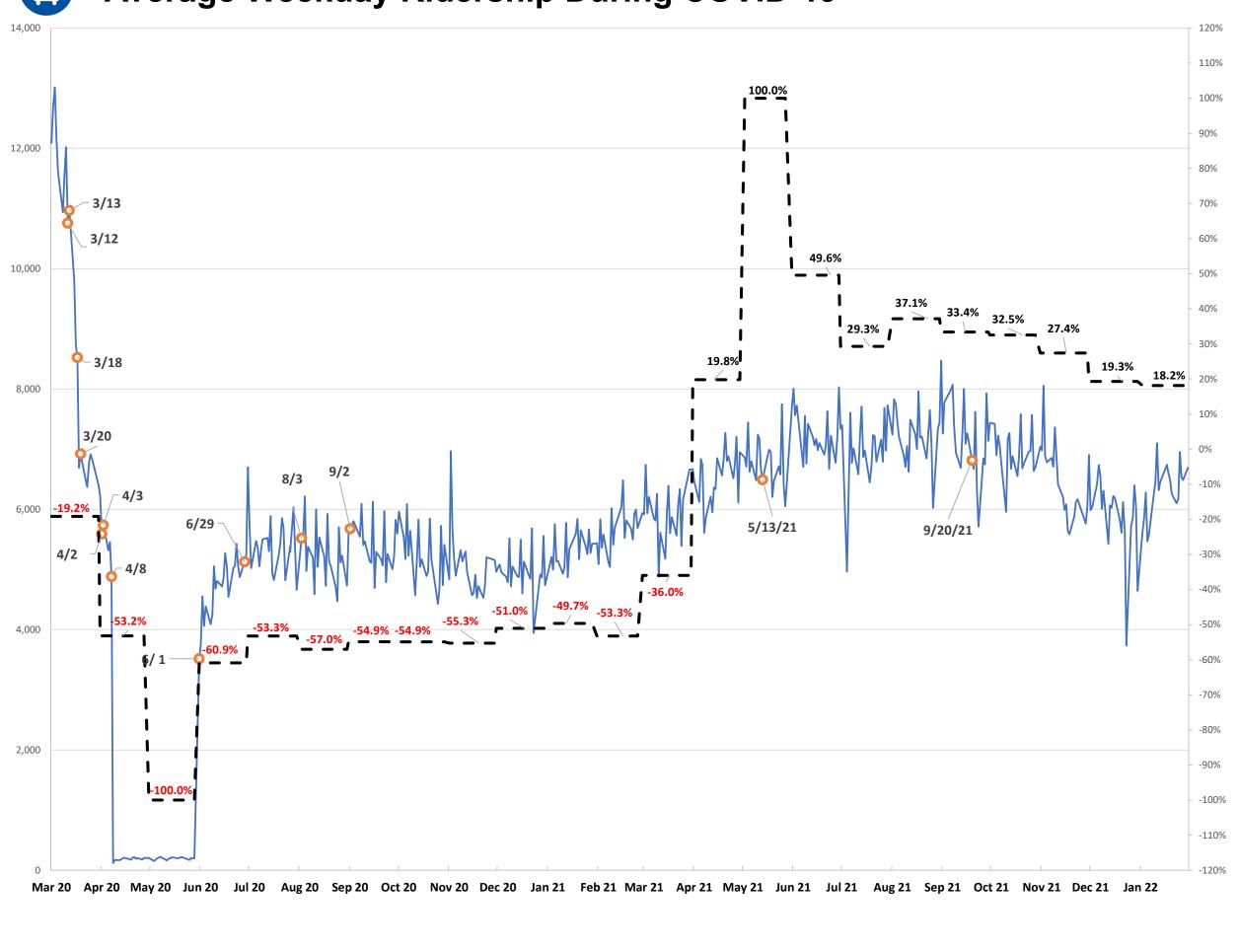
WHEREAS, the updates propose clarifying and consolidating design standards for sidewalks and on-site pedestrian walkways, increasing bicycle parking space requirements and requiring some bicycle parking spaces be located in sheltered, secure, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the <u>Anchorage Public Transit Advisory Board</u> supports Title 21 Parking and Site Amendments Community Discussion Draft as written.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Public Transit Advisory Board this 10th day of February 2022.

Sarah Preskitt		
Chair		

Average Weekday Ridership During COVID-19



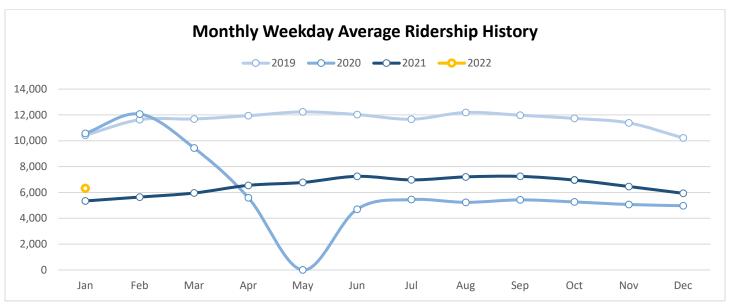
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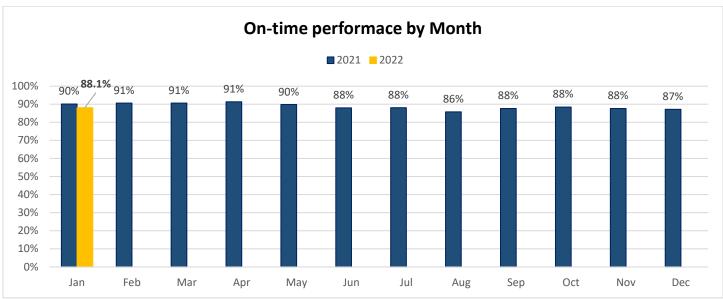
Percent Change from Prior year's weekday average

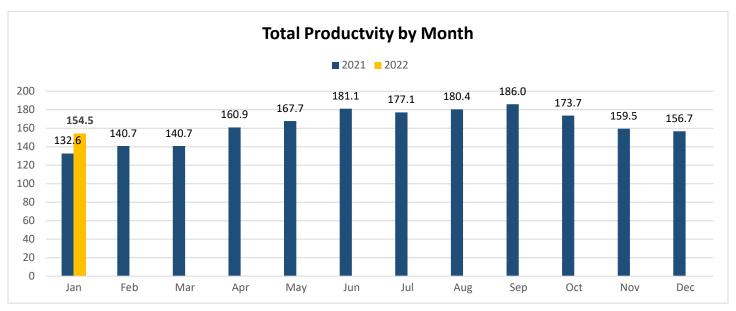
- **3/12** Muni declares a civil emergency in response to the COVID-19 outbreak. ASD closes all schools for an extra
- **3/13** National emergency declared. State of Alaska issues Health Mandate 001. Visitation at State Institutes, Non-Contact Student Days at Schools. Muni closes all municipal libraries and civic, cultural, and recreational facilities to the public until March 30.
- **3/18** At 3 PM People Mover bus capacity limited to nine riders. People Mover and AnchorRIDES provided free of charge. Downtown Transit Center lobby and Customer Service closed.
- **3/20** Mayor announces Emergency Order to "Hunker Down"
- **4/2** 4-passenger limit takes effect for Routes 11, 21, 31, 41, & 91 to allow for additional space for social distancing. These routes are operated with a smaller bus compared to the other routes.
- **4/3** People Mover announces that they will transition to Demand-Based Service transportation on 4/8 at midnight until further notice.
- **4/8** People Mover transitions to Demand-Based service at midnight.
- **6/1** People Mover resumes regular bus service, with rider limits in place. 9 riders per 40' bus, and 4 riders per 22' bus. Cloth face masks recommended.
- **6/29** In accordance with the emergency order EO-13, cloth face masks will be required to ride People Mover starting today. Rider limits are also increased to 18 riders per 40' bus, and 6 riders per 22' bus.
- **8/3** Per EO-15, current rider limits are set at 14 riders on 40-foot People Mover buses, and 4 riders on the 22-foot buses.
- **9/2** The rider limit for the 22' bus increases to six riders. The 40' buses remain at a 14 rider limit.
- **5/13/21** Rider limit lifted, buses may operate at full capacity.
- **9/20/21** Service Change and implementation of the new Route 85.

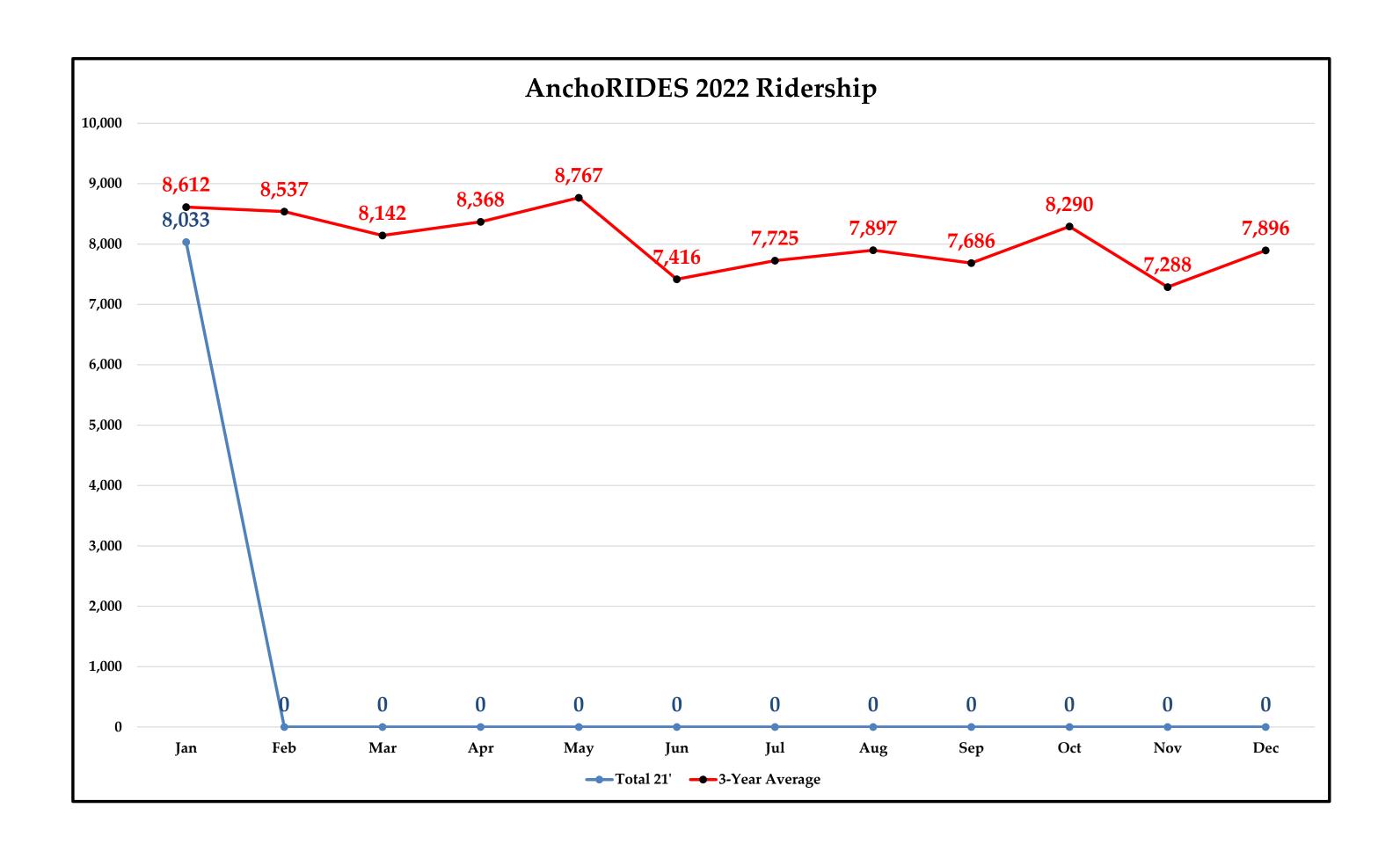
People Mover - January 2022 Ridership Report

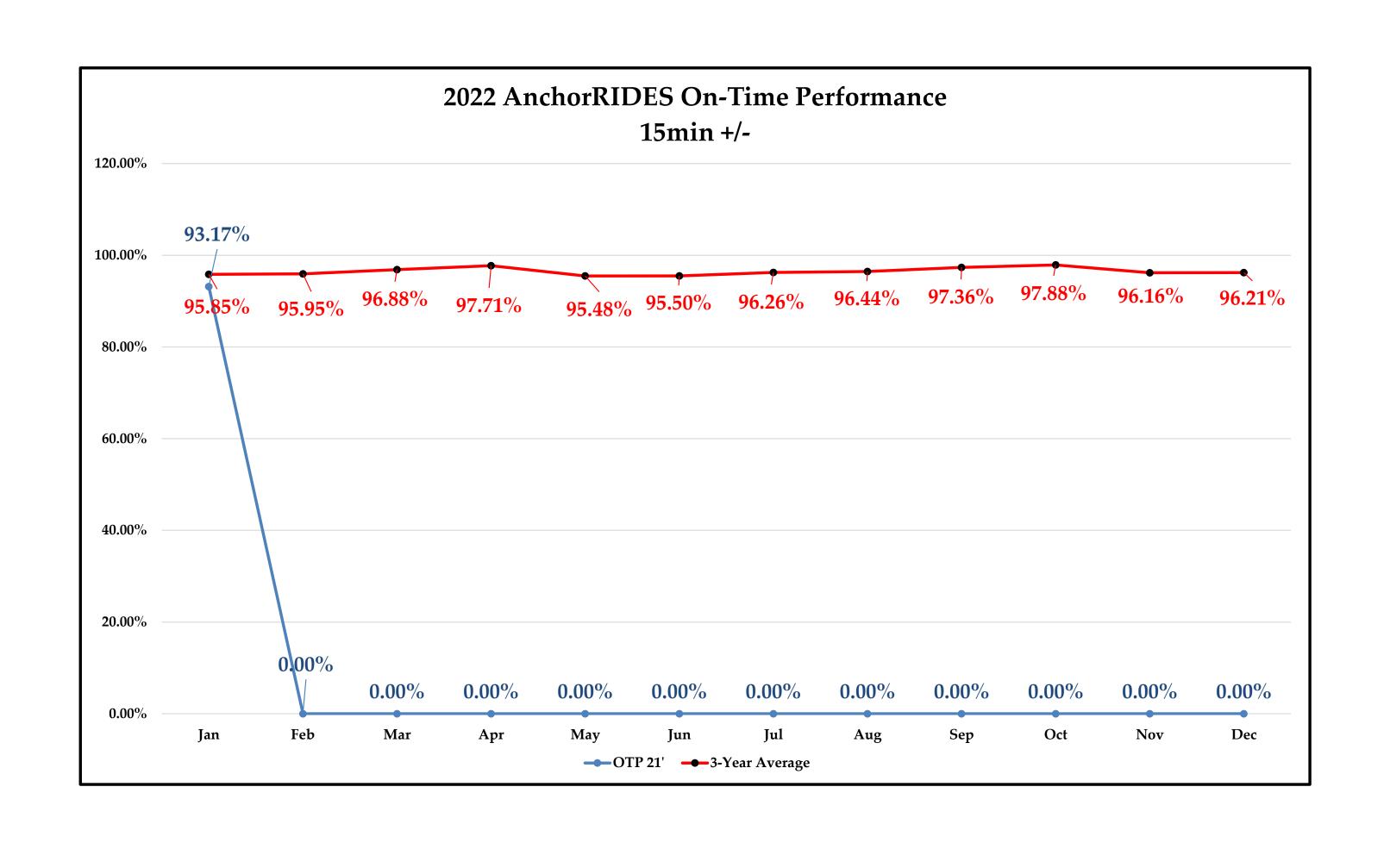


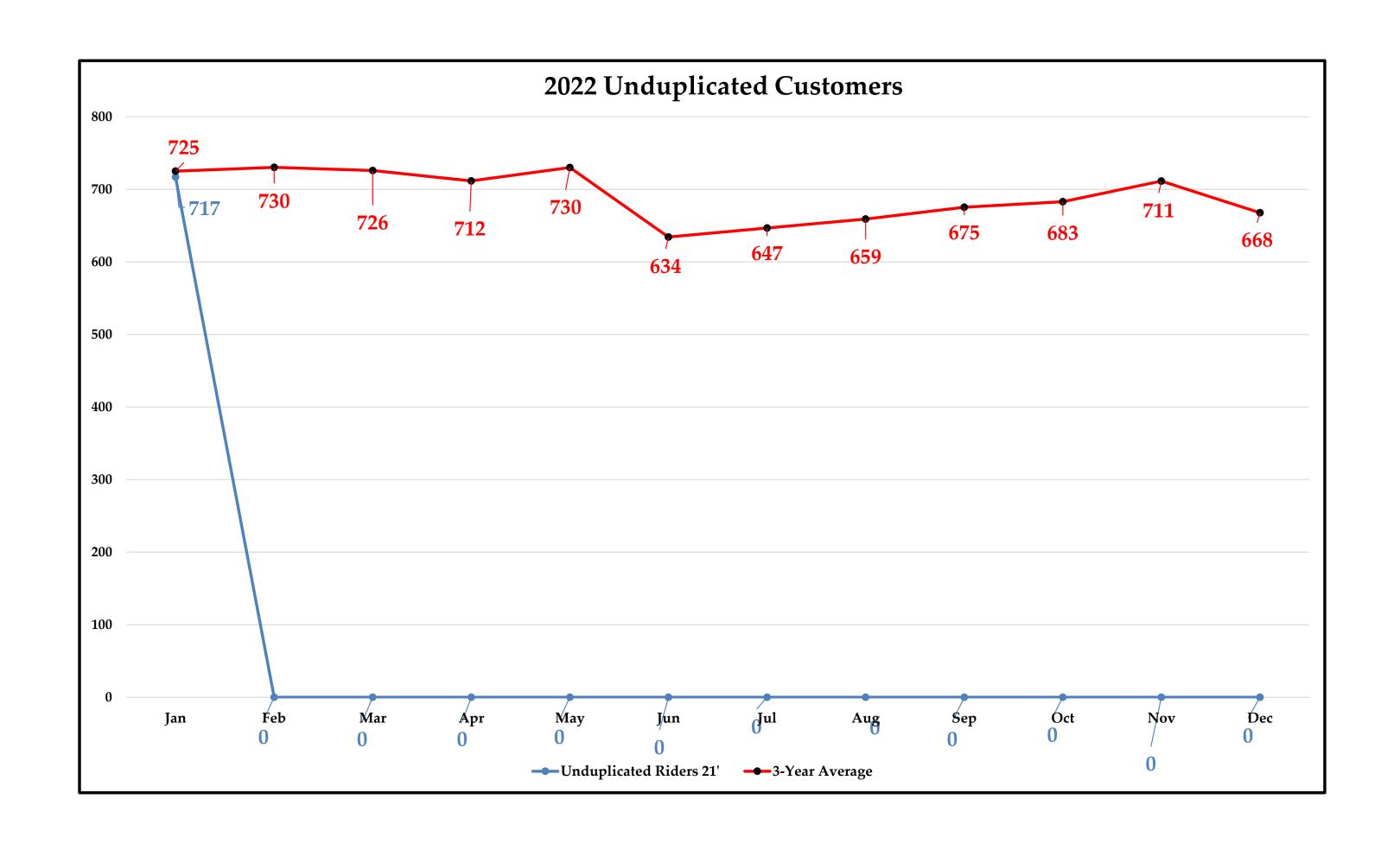














RideShare Update for February 10, 2022, PTAB

