Public Transit Advisory Board (PTAB) Municipality of Anchorage Minutes for Meeting of February 20, 2025 Held at City Hall, Room 155

1. Call to Order

Mr. Nathaniel Lackey called the meeting to order at approximately 5:33 p.m.

The following citizens signed in and were present for at least part of the meeting:

Nakako Thompson Andrea Smith Luis Polanco Chanell Matthews

The following Department staff were present:

Director Mr. Bart Rudolph

Ms. Sandra McMahon, Travel Trainer

Ms. Maria Owens, Business and Community Outreach Coordinator

Mr. Stephen Stone, Transit Planner

Mr. Stewart Nagel, Anchor Rides

2. Roll Call

The Board roll call showed that

Ms. Sarah Preskitt was absent with excuse.

Mr. Nathaniel Lackey was present.

Mr. Doug Miller was present.

Mr. CB Brady was present.

Mr. Peter Hill was present.

Mr. Mike Williams was present.

Mr. Michael J. Williams was absent with excuse.

Mr. Kyle Mielke was present.

From the roll call, a quorum was declared.

3. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved, following a motion by Mr. Peter Hill and a second by Mr. Doug Miller.

4. Approval of the Minutes for the December 12, 2024 Meeting

The minutes for this meeting were approved (including the correction of a scrivener's error) following a motion by Mr. CB Brady and a second by Mr. Peter Hill.

5. Approval of the Minutes for the January 9, 2025 Meeting

Mr. Peter Hill moved to approve the minutes for this meeting, and Mr. CB Brady seconded. There was then a motion to amend the minutes by Mr. Peter Hill, and seconded by Mr. Doug Miller, to say that adjournment of the meeting was done without objection. The amendment passed, and the main motion (approval of the minutes, as amended) also passed.

6. Public Involvement Announcement:

Mr. Nathaniel Lackey read the previously-distributed Public Involvement Announcement.

7. Action / Information Items:

a. New Business

PTAB Core Ideology and Annual Goals Statement

It was noted that a previously-distributed draft of this document was the product of a work session held on January 31, 2025. The draft was discussed, and possible changes noted. Mr. Doug Miller moved to table the matter until the next meeting, and Mr. Peter Hill seconded. That motion passed.

ii. Designation of Direct Recipient

A letter from the Board to Governor Dunleavy had previously been distributed. Director Mr. Bart Rudolph explained that the letter related to the Municipality's status as a Designated Recipient of federal funds, and that it was extremely urgent that the letter be sent, and that the Governor act on it. It was noted that a nearly identical letter was approved the same day by AMATS. Mr. Kyle Mielke moved to approve the letter, and Mr. Doug Miller seconded. The letter was approved.

b. Reports and Updates

i. Director's and Operations Update

Mr. Bart Rudolph reported on several recent developments, including: that there would again be PTD participation in Fur Rondy events; that there is currently only one opening for bus operators (pending certification of some new hires), but that there are many other open positions in the

Department; that budget matters are moving forward, including an effort to restore service on at least some municipal holidays; that plans are being formulated to prepare for an eruption by Mt. Spurr; and that he has been confirmed by the Assembly as Director.

ii. Data Dashboard

No new information was available, because of significant technical difficulties, including corruption of much of the data collected in the latter part of 2024.

iii. Chair Report

There was no report available.

8. Public Comments

Comments were made by Luis Polanco and Nakako Thompson.

9. Member Comments

All Board members present made comments.

10. Adjournment

Mr. Peter Hill moved to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Michael Williams seconded. There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.