



ADVISORY COMMITTEE #2 NOTES

August 22nd, 2022

Agenda Items

- Attendees
 - Umatilla County: Megan Davchevski
 - Morrow County Public Transit: Tamra Mabbott, Katie Imes
 - City of Milton-Freewater representatives: Laurel Sweeney, Teresa Dutcher
 - CTUIR Planning: JD Tovey
 - ODHS: Heidi Zeigler
 - City of Pendleton representatives: Karen Kendall, Linda Carter
 - Transit Consultant & Pendleton Transit Committee: Staci Kunz
 - GOBHI: Rod Harwood
 - ODOT: Cheryl Jarvis-Smith
 - Kittelson & Associates: Krista Purser and Desly Amurao

Krista provided Project Overview, Key Findings of Survey Summary, and Overview of Future Service Opportunities

- Pendleton Let'er Bus
 - Karen Kendall: talked to transit contractor; 2 routes work well; transportation meeting soon, will send feedback; regular ridership in riverside (serves lower income folks) area before COVID 19; new bus barn facility in airport area
 - JD Tovey: hoping to connect Mission Metro to Pendleton services; could be a good way to serve Riverside area; ridership is inconsistent
 - Cheryl Jarvis-Smith: hoping for more coordination
- Hermiston Hopper (no comments)
- Hermiston HART
 - JD Tovey: suggested to have two buses run both routes in opposite directions to save time
- Tri-Cities
 - Teresa Dutcher: would like route connecting Hermiston to Tri-Cities

- JD Tovey: not sure how it works with Connector and Circular; looking at an express service connecting Hermiston to Tri-Cities with only 5 stops
- Staci Kunz: any support from Washington?
 - JD Tovey: there is funding but comes from separate funding, are collecting STIF funds but probably not enough
- City of M-F and Walla Walla Whistler
 - Laurel Sweeney: many parents with kids and seniors use the City route; concerned about connections between different services and difficulty transferring for these groups
- La Grande Arrow (no comments)
- Mission Metro (no comments)
- Pilot Rocket (no comments)
- Tutuilla Tripper (no comments)
- Service Enhancements
 - Cheryl Jarvis-Smith: wondering about first and last mile, equity. Can we add land use in here?
 - JD Tovey: says there is a disconnect between funding and ???
- Coordination and Consolidation (comment in discussion section)
 - Cheryl Jarvis-Smith: suggests the idea of branding for all providers, policy/board set up (coordination and consolidation)
 - Katie Imes: Morrow County planning new transit facility near Port that could have shared maintenance agreement
 - Katie: There's a typo for US 395
- Next Steps/Adjourn

Attachments

- Memo #3: Future Service Opportunities