

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
OF THE MASS TRANSIT DEPARTMENT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
700 A-SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE ROOM
August 21, 2007
2:00 P.M.**

The Citizens Advisory Committee of the Mass Transit Department Board met at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. Committee Chair Mr. Ernesto Dominguez present and presiding and the following Committee Members answered roll call:

Soledad Galvan
Jane Ratcliff
Alfredo Diaz
Richard Sheldon – Alternate member

Members Absent:

Keith Pannell
Ernst Erbe
Zulema Lazarin
Mary Castillo
Robin Roberts

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Item 1: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm

2. Public Comments

Item 2: Public comments made by Ms. Maria R. Perez regarding possible burials at the proposed Mission Valley Transit Terminal site. Ms. Perez requested that her request be included in the next CAC meeting agenda for discussion by the CAC.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the July 17, 2007 CAC meeting.

Item 3: Motion made by Jane Ratcliff seconded by Alfredo Diaz to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2007 CAC meeting. All in favor.

4. Discussion and motion to designate routes to stop by the senior centers in order to feed seniors without transportation promote their socialization and provide a cool building for non-air conditioned homes. (Zulema Lazarin)

Item postponed from 07-17-07)

Item 4: Motion made by Jane Ratcliff seconded by Alfredo Diaz to postpone item 4 to the next CAC meeting of September 18, 2007. All in favor.

5. Discussion and motion regarding the removal of bus routes 64 and 21 for their reinstatement or to provide another alternative. (Zulema Lazarin)
Item postponed from 07-17-07)

Item 5: Motion made by Jane Ratcliff seconded by Alfredo Diaz to postpone item 5 to the next CAC meeting of September 18, 2007. All in favor.

6. Brief explanation of the contract for bench advertisers:
a. Replacement of destroyed benches,
b. Moving benches without replacing them,
c. Use of benches which are damaged, and are not suitable for use.
(Ernst Erbe)

Item 6: Motion made by Jane Ratcliff seconded by Alfredo Diaz to postpone item 6 to the next CAC meeting of September 18, 2007. All in favor.

7. Discussion and action on transportation services and discounts for FT. Bliss soldiers.
(Jane Ratcliff)

Item 7: Ms. Ratcliff informed the committee that she has been in contact with Jean Offutt at Ft. Bliss in reference to public transportation for soldiers. Ms. Ratcliff suggested that perhaps Sun Metro could offer free transportation to soldiers. Chairperson Dominguez commented that Sun Metro now provides discount fare of \$.50 to all military. Tim Omick, Director for Sun Metro, informed the CAC that only Sun Metro employees, CAC members and LIFT customers riding fixed route service receive free transportation. Mr. Omick did comment that Sun Metro will contact Ft. Bliss officials to see if there is interest in public transportation.

Motion made by Jane Ratcliff seconded by Richard Sheldon to have Sun Metro report back at the next CAC meeting. All in favor.

8. Director's Report on operations, maintenance, fleet, service and update on downtown & plaza changes.

Item 8: Director Tim Omick distributed to the CAC copies of the Director's Report that was presented at the August 14, 2007 Mass Transit Department Board meeting, as well as Sun Metro's Rider's Bill of Rights brochure. No action taken on this item.

Motion made by Alfredo Diaz and seconded by Richard Sheldon, and unanimously carried to adjourn this meeting at 3:03 p.m.

Approved as to form:



Department Head/Board Secretary