



Transit Accessibility Subcommittee Meeting

Draft Notes

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, March 12, 2024
MEETING LOCATION: Online via Microsoft Teams
MEETING TIME: 5:00pm – 6:00pm
ATTENDEES: Alexa Mavroidis- Chair, Herschel Kanter, Laura McNeil
STAFF ATTENDEES: Lynn Rivers, Clinton Edwards, Pierre Holloman, Paul Mounier, Kirk Dand, Rocco Visconti

1. **Public Comment**
 - a. Alexa Mavroidis, chair of the subcommittee, announces that this meeting will be her last.
 - b. Members of the public announced their interest in serving on the subcommittee.
2. **Approval of the Meeting Notes**
 - a. The meeting notes were approved.
3. **ART and STAR Proposed Service Changes**
 - a. A presentation was given showing the proposed changes to ART and STAR as a result of recent budget changes for Fiscal Year 2025.
 - b. Route 53 and 61 will be eliminated, a new route will be created to fill in the leftover service gaps. Route 62 will be eliminated entirely.
 - c. A question was asked by the public regarding public engagement for these route changes. The public will be able to provide feedback on these changes through the budgetary process for FY2025.
4. **Proposed Fare Increases for ART and STAR**
 - a. As part of the budget changes for FY2025, fares will be increased in accordance with Metro for both ART fixed route transit and STAR paratransit.
 - b. All modes of transportation will see a 12.5% increase in fares in FY2025.
 - c. As with the route changes, the public will have an opportunity to weigh in with public comment on these changes.
 - d. A member of the public stated that STAR should disseminate information regarding their ability to leave feedback for the budget to all STAR riders.
5. **Winter Engagement Summary Update**
 - a. An update was provided outlining the feedback received in the winter engagement session. Metrics from public feedback were presented, and are available online for public viewing.
 - b. Members of the public questioned how topics were chosen for winter feedback. Topics were chosen based on feedback received during the initial Summer 2023 engagement opportunity.
6. **STAR Metrics Report Update**
 - a. An update to the STAR metrics report was provided.