

Board of Directors of the Kansas City Streetcar Authority
March 27, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.
Meeting Summary Minutes
Singleton Yard
600 E. 3rd St, Kansas City, Missouri 64106

1. Call to Order:

Michael Hagedorn called the meeting to order. Introductions followed.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Summary Minutes

David Johnson moved to approve the January 31, 2019 meeting summary minutes, Jon Stephens seconded and the motion unanimously carried.

3. Public Comment

There were no Public Comments

4. Streetcar Main Street Extension Updates

Tom Gerend gave updates on the Main Street Extension. There was a public meeting held on February 21st at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. It was well attended.

The project received a positive rating from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for the Main Street Extension, making a crucial step in moving the Streetcar Extension towards construction. The project received a Medium-High rating. Though this is an important prerequisite to a future federal grant agreement, it is not a formal commitment of federal funding.

Next steps are to continue project development. Currently there is a procurement of final design + construction and support services posted.

Mr. Gerend said while project development work on the Main Street Extension has been funded and is underway for 2019, it is important to look ahead to 2020 to outline remaining front-end cost, develop a timeline for final grant completion and district funding transition and determine near- term cash flow needs prior to TDD activation.

There was a table provided on a handout to the Board Members that outlined the total forecasted cash-flow needs from the start of project development, through the engineering phase and to a Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA). The estimates are built on the most recent project schedule and are related to the critical path activities that must be supported if the current project schedule is retained.

David Johnson moved to approve an amendment of the HDR contract scope consideration within previously approved funding limits to complete federally required project development. Jon Stephens seconded, and the motion passed.

5. Committee Reports

Operations Committee

Tom reported on Ridership numbers and gave a winter weather recap.

- Total Ridership -5,980,364
- Total 2019 Ridership – 400,488
- Average Daily Ridership in 2019-4,825

Mr. Gerend shared pictures of streetcars 805 and 806 in production and reported that 805 is scheduled to arrive in May.

Major Gates gave a Safety and Security update. In response to a question asked about KCPD's enforcement policy, Maj. Gates replied that with Jackson County ending its relationship with the City of Kansas City to house their inmates.

Currently there is an emphasis on violent criminals vs. ones that can be released on a signature bond.

Construction on the North Loop Shelters is scheduled to start in early May.

Marketing Committee

Donna Mandelbaum gave the marketing committee update.

She shared articles about the KC Streetcar that are in the Tampa Bay Times and the National Geographic.

KC Royals launched their wrap on the KC Streetcar and the Union Station Shelter on March 8. She shared pictures and video from the launch.

Ms. Mandelbaum shared pictures of three events that the KC Streetcar held. In February, the KC Streetcar celebrated Black History with Storytelling on the Streetcar Line and Valentine's Day with The Love Train. In March, Staff welcomed basketball fans with foam blue basketballs. There was one at the Board Members' places.

Art in the Loop 2019 theme is Make Believe. The committee is reviewing submissions and decided which artist will participate this year.

April is National Poetry Month and the KCSA is partnering with Our Daily Nada, Young Friends of the Kansas City Public Library and Andrews McNeel Publishing for KC Poetry on the Move. There were 80 poetry submissions. Entry details are at www.kclibraryfriends.org

Budget and Finance

Tom Gerend reported that the financials are in good shape and are trending favorable. January and February 2019 financial statements were at the Board Members' places for their review. Jon Stephens moved to accept both financial reports, Michael Collins seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Gerend said discussions are being held to finalize design of track four and expansion of broader facility.

6. Executive Director Report

Tom Gerend reminded the Board about the 2 Strategic Planning Workshops that are being held on April 4 and 19. Calendar notices have been sent.

Mr. Gerend thanked the KC Chamber of Commerce for the partnership and legislative support, by organizing a Washington D.C. trip for local transportation organizations to meet with the regions legislative representatives and the FTA in early March.

The partnership agreement with the KCATA is being updated.

Jon Stephens asked for a letter of support from the KCSA for consideration of GDAP height restrictions near the river being eliminated. The Board was supportive, but took no action.

7. Jon Copaken moved to vote to temporarily close this meeting to the public, pursuant to our authority to do so under subsections 1, 11, and 12 of Section 610.021 of the Missouri Statutes - which authorizes the Authority to close its meetings to the extent the discussion relates to any confidential or privileged communications with its attorney, sealed bids or proposals or related documents, any documents related to a negotiated contract or specifications for competitive bidding, or employees and that the meeting be reopened to the public upon conclusion of those discussions. Jason Swords seconded the motion. A roll call of following board members voted to go into closed session: No board members voted against the motion.

Susan Ford-Robertson, Michael Collins, Mike Hagedorn, David Johnson, Jeff Krum, Matt Staub, Jon Stephens, Jason Swords and Jon Copaken. No board members voted against the motion.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at the Singleton Yard, 600 E. 3rd St., KCMO.

The meeting was adjourned.

Board Members Attending

Michael Collins
Jon Copaken
Michael Hagedorn
David Johnson
Jeff Krum
Susan Ford-Robertson
Matt Staub
Jon Stephens
Jason Swords

Others attending

Maj. Daniel Gates, KCPD
Ralph Davis, KCMO
Tom Gerend, KCSA
Brian Hadley, HTSI
Ebony Jackson, KCSA
Donna Mandelbaum, KCSA
Charlie Miller, Lewis Rice
Jason Waldron, KMO