

Board of Directors of the Kansas City Streetcar Authority

September 29, 2022

Meeting Summary Minutes

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600 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106

1. Call to Order

Jon Copaken called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Summary Minutes

Jan Marcason moved to approve the July 28, 2022, meetings minutes, Stacey Paine seconded and the motion carried.

3. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

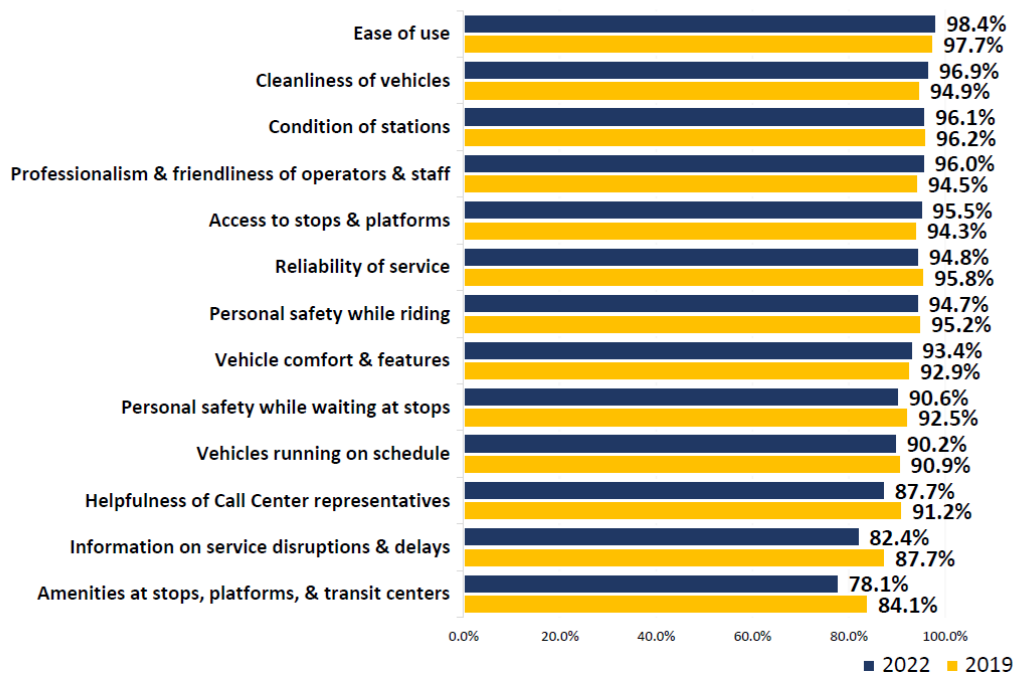
4. 2022 KC Streetcar Rider Satisfaction Survey Results

Tom Gerend reported on the Rider Satisfaction Survey results. The survey took place in April 2022 and was completed by the ETC Institute. It resulted in a statistically significant sample with 722 completed surveys. The survey was available in paper or digital format with English or Spanish options. This was the first survey completed since Fall 2019.

98% of riders are satisfied with the ease of use. 90% were KC Metro residents and 10% were visitors. 70% of Streetcar riders choose to ride (they have a vehicle but choose to take the streetcar).

Q8-Q20: How do you rate the RideKC Streetcar service?

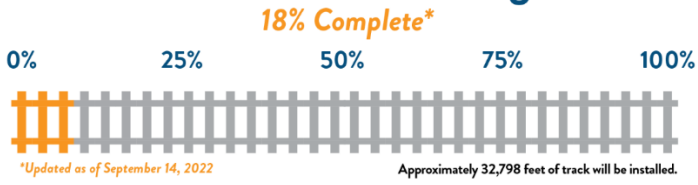
by the percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided" responses)



5. Streetcar Expansion and Study Updates

A. Main Street Extension – Tom Gerend shared before and after photos of the extension and walked through the progress of the extension. Jason Waldron reviewed the track construction timeline and discussed the progress.

Track Construction Progress



VMF construction has started, and the team is making quick progress. The new warehouse walls and roof are installed and are expected to be complete in early 2023. Early prep work is underway for the Annex remodel and Bay 4 and your construction are anticipated to start in early October.

The first car body shell has arrived in Elmira, NY and CAF staff are coming to Kansas City next week for field testing of obstacle deflector prototype.

B. Riverfront Extension- Ralph Davis gave the Riverfront Extension update. 60% of design was received on June 24, 2022 with 100% design anticipated by October 7, 2022, and are anticipating receiving 100% design plans in October. Bids for the rail package have been received. The plan is to issue construction plans late 2022, send out for bid in early 2023, with construction starting spring 2023 to 2024.

Early work packages: Notice to Proceed was issued for the 112 Tram Rail. The equilateral switch, special trackwork, TPSS, Expansion Joints, and OCS packages are anticipated in October 2022.

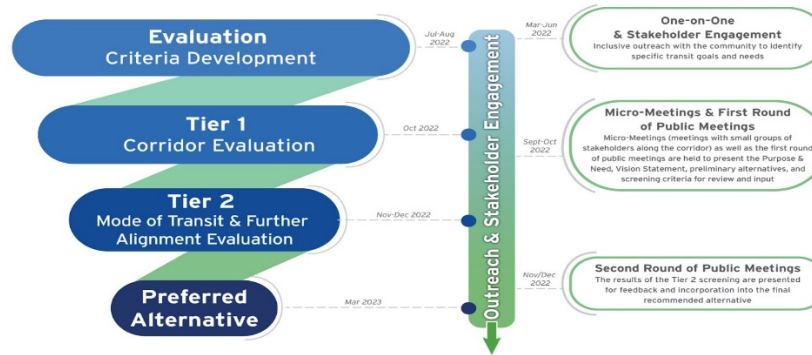
The City of Kansas City is building a Bike-Ped bridge at the same time. It will run parallel to the Grand Avenue Viaduct. 60% design has been received.

Mr. Gerend added a system improvement is being proposed to the non-revenue siding track. The updates will allow the Streetcars to pull out directly entering South Bound revenue service and allow the riverfront streetcars to pull in. The western crossover allows improved movement among tracks for pull out. There was a draft of a letter requesting use of Streetcar funds in the Board members Packets.

C. North Rail Update – Tom Gerend reported on the NorthRail Study. The locally preferred alternative (LPA) is the NKC Swift Alignment. There is continued community support for the NorthRail extension. To build on this support and keep momentum going, the next steps are to request the KCSA Board chair to form a NorthRail funding task force to further develop and evaluate financial scenarios and determine overall financial feasibility. To incorporate the LPA into MARC’s Regional Plan and include environmental study and conceptual engineering.

D. East-West Extension Study – Tom Gerend said the study is currently in the stage of gathering community input. A series of community meetings are scheduled in October and he invited the Board to attend. The meetings are Oct. 4 from 5-8 p.m. at Drexel Hall, 3301 Baltimore Ave, KCMO, Oct. 6, from 5-8 p.m., Linwood YMCA, 3800 Linwood Blvd, KCMO and a virtual public meeting on Oct. 11 from Noon-1 p.m. A registration link is available at www.eastwesttransit.org

Project Timeline



7. Committee Reports

Operations Committee

Tom Gerned gave the Operations committee update. With the Executive Committee concurrence, it is time to update the committee roster. The committee decided to expand the membership to organizations represented Mid-Town /Main Street extension. Instead of individuals, the committee is proposing organizations for membership. The Proposed Operation Committee is:

1. David Johnson, KCSA Board Member (Chair)
2. Matt Staub, KCSA Board Member (Vice Chair)
3. Russ Johnson, KCSA Board Member
4. Lynn Carlton, KCSA Board Member
5. George Guastello, KCSA Board Member (or Alt. Union Station Rep)
6. Midtown KC Now (Kevin Klinkenberg, New)
7. 4th District Council Representative (TBD, New)
8. Whole Person Representative (TBD, New)
9. UMKC Representative (TBD, New)
10. Country Club Plaza Representative (TBD, New)
11. KCMO Main Street Extension Project Manager (Jason Waldron)
12. KCMO Chief Safety Officer (Angie Laurie)
13. KCMO Traffic Representative (Jeff Bryan)
14. KCATA Representative (TBD)

Jon Stephens moved to approved the committee roster as submitted, Jan Marcason seconded and the motion unanimously carried.

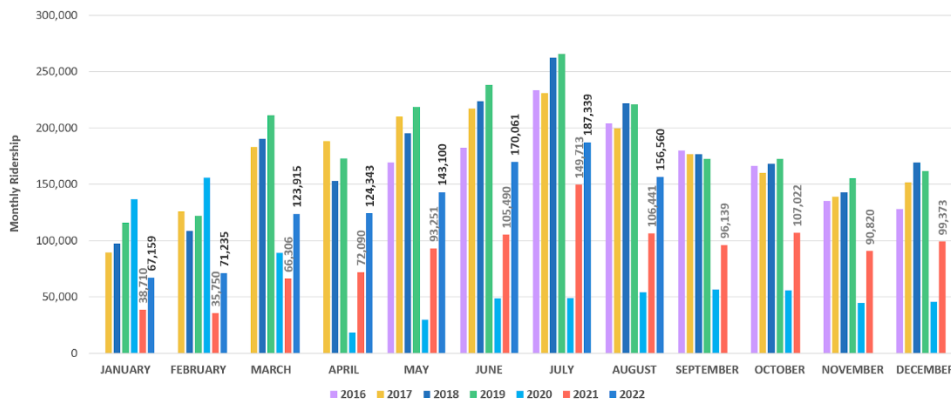
Mr. Gerend said that as a requirement under the State Safety Oversight Program, MoDOT conducts a triennial audit. This audit was conducted both virtually and onsite in June. In total, MoDOT submitted 6 findings and 37 observations, including “MoDOT did not find that a safety or security critical issue or system deficiency exists with the KC Streetcar” and that “findings are generally process and documentation oriented and are not uncommon, particularly to rail transit systems in the early years of operation.” In response to MoDOT’s review and comments and in alignment with the new Bi-Partisan Infrastructure Law safety requirements, the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan was updated. The next steps are to present to KCMO Council at Business Session and to circulate to KCMO, KCSA, HTSI for signatures.

Ridership is at 76% recovery compared to 2019.

Average Daily Ridership (ADR) 2022 year to date is 4,295 and was 5,050 in August

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Total Ridership 2016-2022- 10,706,081 and year to date- 1,043,712



Marketing Committee

Jon Stephens reported on the marketing and communication activities. The committee is beginning in earnest in preparing for the NFL Draft. Donna Mandelbaum reported that the Marketing Committee drafted a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for marketing support in refreshing the KC Streetcar brand for the extensions.

Sponsorship and advertising pricing and guidelines are being re-evaluated to accommodate NFL Draft interest and to reflect actual assets value.

Art in the Loop had 5 successful community events with great attendance. The closing reception is on November 3, 2022, at 5:30 at the Central Library.

Budget and Finance Committee

Stacey Paine said the general financials are strong and Budget and Finance committee approved the July and August Financial reports and to accept the draft of the KCSA Annual Audit, Matt Staub seconded, and the motion unanimously passed.

Russ Johnson moved to approve consideration of letter agreement including Non-Revenue Track Improvements not to exceed \$3.2m and dedicate City employee and related City streetcar cost not to exceed \$300k, and to authorize Executive Director to execute related partnership agreement amendment to incorporate these additions, Lynn Carlton seconded, and the motion unanimously passed.

8. Executive Director’s report

Tom Gerend said staff members are drafting an RFP for IT and financial support.

9. There was no closed session.

10. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17, 2022 via Zoom conferencing and in person at the VMF.

The meeting was adjourned.

Board Members Attending

Lynn Carlton
Jon Copaken
George Guastello
Russ Johnson
Jan Marcason
Edward Merriman
Stacey Paine
Susan Ford- Robertson
Matt Staub
Jon Stephens
Jason Swords

Others attending

Ralph Davis, KCSA
Daniel Gates, KCPD
Tom Gerend, KCSA
Ebony Jackson, KCSA
Lauren Krutty, KCSA
Donna Mandelbaum, KCSA
Gil Melgajero, HTSI
Charlie Miller, Lewis Rice
Jason Waldron, KCMO