

Red Line Task Force Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2010

The Red Line Task Force was officially formed as a standing committee of the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) at the June 23, 2010 MTC meeting. The purpose of the committee is to formalize the work of finding alternative means of financing to proceed with the advancement of the Red Line Commuter Rail Project. The meetings are open to the public and will be advertised. Minutes will be taken at the meetings. Public comments will not be a regularly scheduled part of the meetings, but may be requested by members if desired.

The Red Line Task Force is comprised of 8 members from Charlotte and the surrounding northern towns, although only 7 positions are filled at this time. A quorum is comprised of four voting members. The members of the Red Line Task Force are listed below.

RED LINE TASK FORCE:

Jeff Tarte, Mayor, Town of Cornelius
John Woods, Mayor, Town of Davidson
Anthony Foxx, Mayor, City of Charlotte
Jill Swain, Mayor, Town of Huntersville
Harold Cogdell Jr, Mecklenburg County Commission
Carroll Gray, Executive Director, Lake Norman Transportation Commission
Bill Thunberg, Representing Mooresville
Vacant, Representing Iredell County

GOVERNING STRUCTURE:

John Joye, CATS Attorney, suggested a Chairman and Vice Chairman governing structure. The motion was moved, seconded and approved. Mayor Woods was voted Chairman and Commissioner Cogdell was voted Vice Chairman.

RULES OF PROCEDURE:

John Joye, CATS Attorney, suggested the Rules of Procedure be those rules governing the Transit Services Advisory Committee, (TSAC), Section 10, paragraphs 2E and 2F, attached. The motion was moved, seconded and approved.

SCHEDULE:

A motion was made, seconded and approved to hold the meetings an hour and half prior to the MTC monthly meetings for the duration of one hour (from 4:00pm to 5:00pm unless there is a time change of the MTC meeting). The MTC meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, however, due to the holidays the November meeting is scheduled for November 17, and the December meeting is scheduled for December 15.

DISCUSSION:

Paul Morris, Greenleaf Strategies, LLC, reported on the September 8th, 2010 meeting with the towns elected officials and staff. The towns gave an update on their station area plans and zoning development policies. He said the State of North Carolina has a commitment to looking at alternative funding options, and believes there is state-wide value in advancing the corridor.

Mayor Woods inquired about developing a relationship with Norfolk Southern Railroad (NSRR). John Muth reported that he discussed the Red Line with NSRR at a meeting held on August 30, 2010.

Mayor Woods suggested addressing the economic development potential of each station including the Gateway station as effective use of Paul Morris' time.

Mr. Gray suggested looking at funding initiatives system wide, perhaps using consultants.

Dymphna Pereira, CATS Division Manager of Finance, reported that the City of Charlotte has selected a financial consultant and will present a request to Charlotte City Council for approval on September 27, 2010. The consultant will evaluate transit industry practices for building major capital projects and explore creative funding options.

A meeting to revisit funding and address potential cost savings on the Red Line is scheduled with HDR Engineering for October 8, 2010 from 8:30am to 12:00pm at the Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center in Conference Room 266.

Brian Nadolny reported that all consultants needed to work on tasks in the Red Line Work Plan have been selected and are under contract. He will provide a summary of these consultants and their scope of work.

The Committee will discuss the potential of cancelling the November Task Force meeting due to the schedule of the MTC Workshop at a special time.

ACTION ITEMS:

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| 1. Provide a list of consultants and their involvement to group. | Brian Nadolny |
| 2. Schedule individual town meetings with Paul Morris Oct 6, 7 th . | Brian Nadolny |
| 3. Schedule a meeting with Norfolk Southern to re-engage term sheet discussions. | John Muth |
| 4. Schedule a discussion with Chair, Vice Chair and CATS staff prior to Task Force Meetings to confirm the agenda. | Brian Nadolny |

The next meeting is Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at the Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center, 600 E. Fourth Street, Charlotte, NC in Conference Room 266, from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

Minutes submitted by Penny Traywick

Enclosures (2): Attendees list

MTC Commission Rules of Procedure Section 10, para. 2E & 2F

RED LINE TASK FORCE MEETING

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10. MTC Committees

II. The Transit Services Advisory Committee (TSAC)

- E. Officers. TSAC officers shall include a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson elected annually by TSAC members at the November or December meeting to serve through the subsequent calendar year. TSAC officers shall serve for a period of one year and may be re-elected for one second term. An exception to this rule may be made on a case-by-case basis (i.e., a need for continuity or experience) at the discretion of TSAC members. If the office of Chair or Vice-Chair falls vacant, the remaining TSAC members shall elect a replacement for the unexpired term.
- F. Meetings. TSAC shall establish a regular meeting schedule which schedule may be revised from time to time. Special meetings may be called, as necessary, by the Chairperson.