MINUTES
CITY TRANSIT TRUST SPECIAL MEETING
OCTOBER 25, 2022 - 2:00 P.M.
LAWTON CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS/AUDITORIUM

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Stan Booker, Chairman. Notice of meeting and agenda were posted on the City Hall notice board as required by law.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Kelly Harris, Linda Chapman, Jay Burk, Allan Hampton, Sean Fortenbaugh, Onreka Johnson (arrived @ 2:09 p.m.), Randy Warren.

ABSENT: Mary Ann Hankins

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Cleghorn, City Manager; John Ratliff, City Attorney; Traci Hushbeck, City Clerk, COL James H.B. Peay, IV, Fort Sill Liaison.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Consider approval of the minutes of the City Transit Trust special meetings of September 27 and October 18, 2022.

<u>MOVED by Harris SECOND by Chapman</u> to approve the minutes of the City Transit Trust special meetings of September 27 and October 18, 2022. AYE: Harris, Chapman, Burk, Hampton, Fortenbaugh, Warren. NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Receive a presentation from staff regarding an alternate location for the LATS Transit Center, discuss the project and timeline for completion, and take any action deemed necessary to allocate and approve funding expenditures.

Ryan Landers, General Manager of LATS, presented information on an alternate site for the LATS Transit Center. (Presentation is on file in the City Clerk's office). He stated they are in the process of finishing a zero emissions study which is required before they go after federal grants. They also need to complete the transit master plan as well and they cannot finish either of these projects unless they have a downtown transfer center or a location to provide all these new amenities.

Chapman questioned if it would be an issue for emergency vehicles if they close off streets.

Lander stated they are not certain they would have to close any streets. They will present the actual design before anything is decided.

Mayor Booker stated it appears that the recommended action on the agenda item is requesting the council take some action on funding, but they have not had a public hearing. He stated today they could authorize the public hearing and set a date before they allocate funding.

Landers stated there will be a public hearing at the December 6th council meeting and the council can make a decision on that date.

Mayor Booker stated he would not want to approve funding until the citizens have the opportunity to have input.

Hampton questioned if they will do a traffic study for that area.

Landers stated there will be a traffic study.

Mayor Booker questioned if this was the traffic study being done by the LMPO.

Landers stated yes.

Mayor Booker stated that traffic study is already in motion and he questioned if it would need to be changed.

Cleghorn stated he does not believe it will change that study.

Burk stated he does not mind this concept, but there are already complaints about traffic blockage in this area. He does not want this to cause more issues and that is his concern.

Landers stated they will bring that issue up to the engineers during the design phase.

Burk stated there is limited amount of time to get this federal money.

Landers stated this land is 100% city owned and you can leverage that towards federal grants and the government wants shovel ready projects.

Mayor Booker questioned what action needs to be taken today. Do they need to approve the public hearing.

Landers stated they just need to give 30 days notice for the public hearing. He stated it does not have to be approved by the trust.

Fortenbaugh stated he feels they need to notify the contractor working on the traffic study that we are thinking about putting a transfer center at this site. He stated he does have concerns about the traffic issues in that area.

Landers stated that is why this is so time sensitive.

Harris questioned if there was a public hearing scheduled soon.

Landers stated there is a public meeting on November 15th to go over proposed routes.

<u>MOVED by Fortenbaugh SECOND by Harris</u> to direct staff to get with the contractor on the LMPO traffic study and create a change order if needed. AYE: Harris, Chapman, Burk, Hampton, Fortenbaugh, Johnson, Warren. NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m. upon motion, second and roll call vote.

STAN BOOKER, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

TRACI L. HUSHBECK, SECRETARY