

PUEBLO TRANSIT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
March 7, 2025 – 1:00 p.m.
Mayor’s Conference Room, 1 City Hall Place

Present: Heather Graham, Mayor – Vice-President
Andrew Hayes, Director of Public Works - President
Ben Valdez, Transit Director
Bob Jagger, Deputy City Attorney
Danny Nunn, Interim Finance Director
Chuck Lopez, Transit Operations Supervisor
Tracey Sample, Recording Secretary
Marisa Pacheco, Human Resources Director

Mr. Hayes opened the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the December 4, 2024 Pueblo Transit Board meeting. Mayor Graham moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes. Mr. Hayes seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Valdez brought two Pass Donation Requests to the board. Purple Mountain Recovery and Pueblo County USDA Food Distribution submitted adult ride requests. Mayor Graham motioned to approve. Mr. Hayes seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Valdez provided the board with the details of the newly added bus stop in front of the housing area at CSU-Pueblo at the request of the CSU-P Dean of Students. Small adjustments were made to the route that services this stop to retain the timing of the route.

Mr. Valdez informed the board that he has been working with D60 to provide bus route mapping and timing so they can encourage the use of Pueblo Transit to their high school students.

Mr. Valdez quickly reviewed the Title VI regulations that were brought up to date, but no changes to the regulations were made. He also reviewed the Drug and Alcohol Program document which will be signed by each Pueblo Transit employee as usual.

Mr. Valdez presented the board with the CDOT 10-year vehicle replacement plan. He reviewed the current status of 11 buses on duty. Useful life of a bus is 12 years/500,000 miles. 69% (11 buses) have surpassed their useful service life, in mileage, in 3 years. He reviewed the cost of mechanical and ADA equipment repairs on buses over 10 years old. Repairs to these buses are quickly becoming economically unsustainable. Mr. Valdez is working with Pueblo County to determine the feasibility of purchasing 6 buses together (4 city, 2 county). Four buses will cost approximately \$4,305,200.

Mr. Hayes updated the board on the status of the new location of Pueblo Transit. The environmental clearances and appraisal for the two parcels should be back in about 6 weeks. Also, Stantec is working on the equity analysis.

Meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m.

By: 

Tracey Sample
Recording Secretary