



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION

Joe Murray Rivers, Jr. Intermodal Transit Center – 1:00 p.m.
610 West Oglethorpe Avenue
Minutes

February 24, 2014 Regular Meeting of the CORE MPO ACAT

<u>Voting Members</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
James Aberson	Chatham County	X
Kim Anderson	Teleride	X
Mohsen Badran	Goodwill Industries	
Denise Boehner	Savannah Council of the Blind	
William K. Broker	Georgia Legal Service	
Wayne Dawson	Savannah-Chatham County Fair Housing Authority	
Yolonda Fontaine	Housing Authority of Savannah	
William Gardner	National Federation of the Blind	
Bob Habas	Living Independence for Everyone Inc. (LIFE)	X
Timamu Hakim	Chatham Area Transit Authority	
Steve Tomlinson	GDOT Intermodal, District 5	
Pat Heagarty	Interested Citizen Designee	
Carol Hunt	NAACP- Savannah Branch	
Hunter Hurst	Georgia Infirmary Day Center for Rehabilitation	
McArthur Jarrett	Interested Citizen Designee	
Robert Kozlowski	Kicklighter Resource Center	
Tom Lamar	Interested Citizen Designee	X
William Law	CAT	
Jane Love	Metropolitan Planning Commission	X
Patti Lyons	Senior Citizens Savannah-Chatham Inc.	
Greg Schroeder	United Way of the Coastal Empire	
Clealice Timmons	Coastal Center for Development Services	
Terri White	Savannah Assn for the Blind	
Ettajane Williams-Robbins	Interested Citizen Designee	X
Leslie Wilson	Economic Opportunity Authority	
Vacant	City of Savannah	
<u>Voting Alternates</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
<u>Others Present</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
Jessie Fernandez-Gatti	CAT	X

Jessica Hagan	MPO	X
Tyrone Palmer	National Federation of the Blind	X

I. Approval of Agenda

1. Approval of the February 24, 2013 Meeting Agenda

The agenda was approved as written.

Board Action:

Approve agenda as written. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Tom Lamar

Second: Kim Anderson

James Aberson - Aye

Kim Anderson - Aye

Jessie Fernandez-Gatti - Aye

Bob Habas - Aye

Tom Lamar - Aye

Jane Love - Aye

Tyrone Palmer - Aye

Ettajane Williams-Robbins - Aye

II. Action Items

2. Approval of the August 26, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Attachment: ACAT Meeting Minutes 08262013.pdf

The minutes were approved as written.

Board Action:

Approve minutes as written. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Ettajane Williams-Robbins

Second: Kim Anderson

James Aberson - Aye

Kim Anderson - Aye

Jessie Fernandez-Gatti - Aye

Bob Habas - Aye

Tom Lamar - Aye

Jane Love	- Aye
Tyrone Palmer	- Aye
Ettajane Williams-Robbins	- Aye

3. FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment

Attachment: February 2014 TIP Amendments Revised.pdf

Ms. Jane Love reminded the committee of the purpose of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), as the short-range programming document showing the area's federal funding for highway and transit projects. She said that the MPO received a request in January 2014 from Chatham Area Transit Authority (CAT) to amend the FY 2014-2017 TIP to add the Section 5309 Program to fiscal year 2014. The Section 5309 Program awards funding to eligible recipients based on a competitive selection process. CAT applied and was awarded \$2.5 million of Section 5309 federal funding and plans to use the money for bus related improvements. The awarded funds must be programmed in the TIP before CAT can access them.

She said staff recommends ACAT endorsement of the amendment to the FY 2014-2017 TIP.

Board Action:

For endorsement of the proposed amendment to the CORE
MPO's FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Kim Anderson
Second: Ettajane Williams-Robbins

James Aberson	- Aye
Kim Anderson	- Aye
Jessie Fernandez-Gatti	- Aye
Bob Habas	- Aye
Tom Lamar	- Aye
Jane Love	- Aye
Tyrone Palmer	- Aye
Ettajane Williams-Robbins	- Aye

III. Status Reports

4. Total Mobility Plan / 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Status Report

Ms. Jane Love updated the committee on the status and process of the Total Mobility Plan/2040 LRTP. Plan development tasks that are currently underway are development of

the Project Prioritization Method, the Financial Plan, and Project Identification. The prioritization method consists of two screening steps, with the first based on need and the second based on sustainability. Projects will be compared on how they address the plan's goals, using measures based on readily available data.

5. Schedule for CORE MPO's Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), to fund bicycle, pedestrian, or other projects

Attachment: February 2014 TAP staff report.pdf

Ms. Jane Love explained the purpose and eligibility requirements of the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). This month's staff report provides an update on the schedule for the CORE MPO's competitive project selection process. The Call for Project officially opens on March 18, 2014 and applications are due to MPC by April 30 at 5:00 p.m.

IV. Agency Reports (verbal)

A. Teleride

6. Presentation

Ms. Kim Anderson stated that Teleride will be implementing the call back feature through Route Match. She did not give a specific date, but said that it will be coming soon.

B. Chatham Area Transit

7. Presentation

Ms. Jessie Fernandez-Gatti stated that the Bike Share Program has been successful with 167 passes sold and 13,000 miles traveled. They hope to expand the program with more bike stations and bikes. She also stated that there are new bus stop signs being put up and a new "super stop" on Waters will open in March.

V. Other Business

VI. Public Participation Opportunities

8. Public Comments

Ms. Kathy Millhoff stated that she would like audio signs for bus stops and maybe some training for fixed route drivers so they can help people that are blind to know when their stop is. Braille on bus stop signs is OK, but people need to know it is there.

She inquired about an electronic version of the Teleride Handbook. Ms. Anderson said she could send that.

Ms. Lorraine Brown stated she would like more information on how the paratransit program works so she can understand it better for her needs.

VII. Announcements

9. Next CORE MPO ACAT Meeting: April 16, 2014

Ms. Jane Love pointed out that the next meeting in April is on a Wednesday instead of a Monday, due to some religious observances. The location will be back at the MPC Hearing Room, at 1:00 p.m. as usual.

VIII. Other Non-Agenda Information for Reference

IX. Adjournment

The Chatham County - Savannah Metropolitan Planning Commission provides meeting summary minutes which are adopted by the respective Board. Verbatim transcripts of minutes are the responsibility of the interested party.