

TRAC

MEETING MINUTES

DES MOINES AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY TRANSIT RIDERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOVEMBER 20, 2024 – NOON Hybrid Meeting

[The above TRAC Meeting was hybrid – in person at DART Central Station and virtual via Zoom. The Committee determined that it is convenient to offer this option to members of the Committee, staff and members of the public to accommodate for concerns related to the Covid-19 pandemic.]

TRAC Members Present:

Laurie Jones, MaryAnn Ryan, Kaylynn Strain, Brandon Paulsen, Lee Jasinski, Matthew Shankles, James Hanold, David Campbell, Jeremy Guenther, Justin Bates, Todd Kilzer

TRAC Members Absent:

DART Staff Present:

Catlin Curry, Jan Keeling, Victoria Henderson-Weber, Tony Filippini

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

The meeting was called to order by Brandon Paulsen at 12:00p.m.

Roll call was taken, and quorum was met.

A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The October 30, 2024 minutes were approved.

The motion was approved by Lee Jasinski and seconded by MaryAnn Ryan.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

James Hanold – endorses franchise fees

C. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Reimagine DART Update (Tony Filippini)

Tony provided an update on Reimagine DART. He covered the firms that will be working with DART (Jarrett Walker +Associates (Fixed Route) & Transpo Group (Paratransit, Microtransit, OnCall). Tony reviewed the project approach with TRAC members and explained the different ways the contractors will work with DART Staff, the Commission and engage in public input. In December, DART plans to update TRAC on anticipated timelines and opportunities to be involved in the process.

D. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Van Award Program (Victoria)

Victoria gave an overview of Caravan as a whole and provided information on how out of service vans are awarded to eligible nonprofit or government organizations. Victoria also previewed the organizations selected for this current award cycle.

2. TRAC Chair-person Nominations (Catlin)

Catlin previewed the TRAC Chair position with the committee and handed out ballots to members to nominate or self-nominate which member will be voted on at the December meeting to serve as TRAC's next chair.

E. TRAC MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

F. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Todd Kilzer requested an update on Paratransit Dispatch as he's experienced multiple trip time changes recently.

G. UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. DART Commission – Noon, Tuesday, December 3, 2024 – Zoom / DCS
2. TRAC – Noon, Wednesday, December 18, 2024 – Zoom / DCS

H. ADJOURN

Brandon adjourned the meeting at 12:57pm.
It was moved by David Campbell and seconded Lee Jasinski.
The motion carried unanimously.