



Easy Rider Advisory Board Action Minutes

Meeting Date/Time: Wednesday, December 14, 2022 @ 4 pm virtually via Zoom

Members Present: Hugh (Skip) Proctor, Al Green, Bob Warren, Helen Clark, Claire Miller, and Kim Tyler

Members Absent: Ellen Perry

Transit Staff Members: Melissa Patrick, Angie Steele, and Brian Litchfield

TOCH Staff Members: None

Visitor(s): Melissa Papineau

Agenda Item	Discussion Point	Motions	Votes/Actions
CALL TO ORDER	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kim Tyler called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Skip Proctor moved to accept the November minutes. The motion was seconded by Al Green. The motion passed.	Skip Proctor, Al Green, Bob Warren, and Kim Tyler voted with a verbal yes. Helen Clark abstained.

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EZ RIDER SUPERVISOR'S REPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers for November: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total Scheduled Trips: 5670 Cancellations: 1413 No Shows: 207 Total Actual Trips: 4050 87.88% OTP • Seymour Center 15th anniversary event was a success. • December 9- Chapel Hill Transit celebrated Team Members who had earned Annual Safety Awards, Distinguished Operator Awards, and Team 		

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	<p>Member of the Year Awards. Among those winners was our very own: Team Member of the Year: George Coutinho Distinguished Operators: Joseph Butler, George Coutinho We had a total of 85 Team Members receive safety awards for having no preventable accidents over 12 months.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transit Director, Brian Litchfield stated that the budget for EZ Rider is \$2.5 million. 70% payroll & benefits, 30% maintenance & equipment upgrades. • Questions/Answers for Brian include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update on the possibility of same day trips for medical. Submitted two grants already for same day medical trips. Will continue to seek funding through grants for a pilot program. ○ When will the new Trapeze capabilities be rolled out and available for EZRAC to test? Roll out date for testing in March. 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ General overview of future plans for the EZ Rider service. No expansion of hours/service planned at this time due to staffing deficits, there are some service improvements planned for fixed route in the long- range transit plan. ○ If/when will EZ Rider provide service to the Walmart in Chatham County? Walmart and the county declined bus pull off service at their location, so until there is a safe way to enter that location FR buses will not be allowed to go. ○ Update on all the bus stops and their ADA compliance. Working with NCDOT on upgrading ADA bus stops. Brian will send out a link on the progress of our bus stop upgrade project. ○ Update on NextBus and GMV real-time passenger info systems. The contract for GMV has been signed. Installation will start after the holiday. Roll out will take 3 months. 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Will electric vehicles be available to replace some existing DR vehicles? No electric vehicles for cutaways. Will use grant funds to purchase new vans. Not sure on a delivery date yet. ○ Will Chapel Hill Transit ever consider a 3rd party service to augment the current EZ Rider service? Continuing to follow updates on the MOD model in Hillsborough. ○ Are there plans to provide seamless DR service from Chapel Hill to other nearby areas (single seat service)? Proposal with GoTriangle has been put on hold due to staffing issues. 		
<p>OTHER BUSINESS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Al Green asked Brian if EZ Rider could take residents from Carolina Spring to get their COVID booster shot. Brian responded that he believed we would be able to accommodate. Claire Miller suggested that Al contact local pharmacies to have them come onsite. 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="489 196 1272 435">• Helen Clark mentioned a strong interest in EZ Rider going to the Chatham Walmart due to safety concerns with the Hope Commons Walmart. Melissa will talk to Brian. 		
ADJOURNMENT		The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.	
NEXT MEETING		January 11, 2023	