

**SIoux CITY TRANSIT SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 19, 2025**

On this date 12:00 p.m., at 509 Nebraska Street, Sioux City, Iowa, was held a regular meeting of the Sioux City Transit System Advisory Board for the purpose of discussing items of interest and concern to the Sioux City Transit System, the City of Sioux City, and the citizens thereof, matters to be brought to the attention of the Advisory Board by the Transit Manager; and such other business that might properly come before the Board at this time.

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHERS
Mike Tokarczyk	Mary Martin	Jason Allen, Operations Supervisor
Dawn Kimmel (V)		Mike Collett, Assistant City Manager
Angela Drent (V)		Brian Pearson, SRTS (V)
		Brenda Berens, SRTS (V)

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ITEM NO. 1 CALL OF ROLL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Meeting was called to order by Mike Tokarczyk

Roll was called.

ITEM NO. 2 APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES

Drent made a motion, Kimmel seconded the motion, to approve the minutes from the January meeting. Roll Call Voting; Ayes: Tokarczyk, Drent, Kimmel. Nays: None. Absent: Martin. Motion carried.

ITEM NO. 3 OPERATING AND PARATRANSIT REPORTS

Collett gave the following updates:

- Eight months through the fiscal year our ridership for paratransit is up by 2,600 rides; fixed route down 26,000 passenger rides but could be due to timing with schools.
- Budget is on task through eight months of the fiscal year.
- SRTS Contract extension discussed. Collett will submit a draft to SRTS (Pearson) then bring it back to the board for approval next month. A special meeting may be necessary depending on timelines. SRTS will need final draft mid-April for time to discuss on their end. Kimmel will abstain from voting on the contract due to conflict of interest. Administrative staff will ensure there are three voting members available.

ITEM NO. 4 OTHER BUSINESS

1. Grant Updates

Allen provided the following updates:

- Application has been approved for Carbon Reduction Program funding. SCTS is deliberating the timing of the project due to previously canceling their (2) electric bus order from Gillig.
- The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant program awarded Transit with funding for additional HVAC within MLK and the attached retail spaces. This will include funds for the first electric charging station in a Sioux City parking ramp. Bidding will start soon with project to be completed in early Fall 2025.

-NOFO's for Lo or No Emission & Bus & Bus Facility Grants have not been released. SCTS may consider improving current facility if funding is no longer available.
-SCTS has been approved for FY 2025 IDOT PTIG Grant which will replace heat pumps and piping for the Martin Luther King Jr. Transportation Center with timeline TBD.
-SCTS is applying for FY 2026 IADOT PTIG Grant which would modernize the two elevators at the Martin Luther King Jr. Transportation Center.

2. Approval of 2025 Title VI Program Report

Kimmel made a motion, Drent seconded the motion, to approve 2025 Title VI Program Report. Roll Call Voting; Ayes: Tokarczyk, Drent, Kimmel. Nays: None. Absent: Martin. Motion carried.

3. Fare Pricing

Drent made a motion, Kimmel seconded the motion, to approve an adult monthly pass fare increase from \$48.00 to \$50.00. Roll Call Voting; Ayes: Tokarczyk, Drent, Kimmel. Nays: None. Absent: Martin. Motion carried.

SCTS will further evaluate other fare increases once our new mobile fare payment system is launched sometime in June or July 2025.

ITEM NO. 5 OTHER DISCUSSION

1. Approval of DBE Compliance Report for FY 2025-2027

Drent made a motion, Kimmel seconded the motion, to approve DBE Compliance Report for FY 2025-2027. Roll Call Voting; Ayes: Tokarczyk, Drent, Kimmel. Nays: None. Absent: Martin. Motion carried.

ITEM NO. 6 NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2025.

Drent made a motion, Kimmel seconded the motion, to adjourn. Roll Call Voting; Ayes: Tokarczyk, Drent, Kimmel. Nays: None. Absent: Martin. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:31 p.m.

Mary Martin, Secretary