



Providers Advisory Committee

Tuesday, August 11, 2026 1:00pm- 1001 Woodward Ave

1:00 p.m. EST

Summary

Attendees: Ben Stupka, Rachel Schmul, Mshadoni Smith-Jackson, Drue Bender, Kristin Caffray [RTA]; Robert Cramer [DDOT] Raymond Hess [TheRide], Dominic Pavone [Oakland County Transit], Jacob Graham [MoGo]; Adam Elghoul [SEMCOG].

Absent: SMART, Detroit People Mover.

Called to Order at 1:03pm

1. Introductions
2. Public Comment
 - No public comment
3. Regional Strategic Program Discussion
 - Ben Stupka discussed realigning PAC priorities to the strategic campaigns from the recent RTA strategic plan update.
 - Outline of agendas moving forward to include presentations of RTA strategic initiatives, and continued updates from providers.
 - Kristin Caffray presented on the Mobility Wallet Pilot and next steps.
 - Mshadoni Smith-Jackson presented on the Highway Express Bus Study.
4. Future PAC Topics Discussion Items
 - Ben Stupka led a discussion with PAC members on future topics for the committee to consider.
5. Provider and Partner Updates
 - DDOT
 - Robert Cramer updated on service changes in June that focused on service improvements.



1. Fort street has a middle of the night service gap.
 2. Bus equipment availability gap is a goal to fix in major improvements
- MoGo
 - Jacob Graham reported that a new ebike charging station is installed at Grand Circus Park.
 - An additional 96 ebikes will be rolled out by the end of summer, early fall.
 - People Mover
 - No report/Absent
 - SMART
 - No report/Absent
 - TheRide
 - Raymond Hess reported that their Low No grant has been awarded by FTA.
 - Title VI update is due in November.
 - Ypsilanti Transit Center improvement project is moving forward; approaching 60% design.
 - Construction at Blake Transit Center is ongoing.
 - Conducting a garage study (looking into one site garage or expanding into a sister site closer to Ypsilanti).
 - Washtenaw BRT project submit to MDOT IPAF program.
 - Oakland Transit
 - Dominic Pavone reported that Oakland County Transit has finished their annual report.
 - Preparing contracts for providers, anticipated soon as entering contract season.
 - RTA
 - Mshadoni Smith-Jackson reported on the PAC engagement calendar.
 - Announced Aug Transit app office hours.
 - Adjusting D2A2 service to add earlier and later night service starting Labor Day weekend.
 - QLINE



- Rachel Schmul reported that the new Sunday summer schedule was extended to midnight and will go back to winter hours at 9pm next month.
- Temporary transit only signs were a nice offer but were too large and we are working to get some smaller signs.
- SEMCOG
 - No report

Kristin Caffray adjourned the meeting at 2:40PM