# Minutes for BRS-Transit meeting Monday, 27 May 2019 @ 3:30-4:30pm

Location: Committee Room B at City Hall

Present: Cory Shrigley, Allison Gray from Transit; Jamie Bell from USSU; Peter Gallén, Robert Clipperton, Curtis McCoshen, Melissa Hoffman, Bob Eaton from BRS.

## **MEETING ADMINISTRATION**

1) Cory was appointed Chair of this meeting, while Peter will provide the minutes.

## **USSU ITEMS**

- Concerns: Effect of the future Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) on tenants at Place Riel, which is owned by the USSU. These concerns will be addressed in direct consultations between the City, Student Union and University administration.
- Info: USSU's regular Council Meetings take place on Thursday evenings @ 6:00pm from September to April, and Transit is welcome to present at them.
  - a. Transit intends to present in September.
- 4) Welcome Week in September: Transit will be present in Place Riel and take part in Campus Expo in the Bowl.

#### **BRS ITEMS**

- 5) Follow-ups:
  - a. Clinkskill Manor bus shelter petition: Transit was informed that no reply has yet been received; Cory will follow up.
  - b. Riders blocking the isle by not moving towards back of bus: Transit informed us that an old, 'very loose' policy exists at the moment, but an updated version is in the works.
- 6) Service issues:
  - a. Sutherland & Silverspring:
    - i. Routes 26 (Forest Grove) & 27 (Silverspring) that run through Sutherland continue to experience multiple problems including overcrowding and missed transfers at University Terminal (Place Riel).
    - A joint meeting with Saskatoon Transit and the Silverspring Community Association to discuss transit issues has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 4 @ 7:00-8:00pm in the school library at Silverspring Elementary School, 610 Konihowsky Road.
    - iii. A joint meeting with Saskatoon Transit and the Forest Grove & Sutherland Community Association to discuss transit issues has been scheduled for Monday, June 10 @ 7:00-8:00pm in Venice House restaurant, 906 Central Avenue in Sutherland.

- 7) Anticipated bus frequency on Broadway Avenue:
  - a. BRS wanted clarification of current and anticipated bus frequencies on Broadway Avenue in response to a dispute on our FB-page.
  - b. Transit provided the following frequency information (total number of buses in both directions at particular intersections: Current  $\rightarrow$  BRT/New Network)
    - i. Broadway Ave. /  $10^{th}$  Str.:  $12 \rightarrow 30$
    - ii.  $8^{\text{th}}$  Str. / Preston Ave.:  $20 \rightarrow 30$
    - iii. Preston Ave. / Market Mall:  $16 \rightarrow 22$
    - iv.  $22^{nd}$  Str. /  $3^{rd}$  Ave:  $44 \rightarrow 53$
    - v.  $22^{nd}$  Str. / Ave. P:  $24 \rightarrow 30$
    - vi. Idylwyld Dr. /  $33^{rd}$  Str.:  $16 \rightarrow 24$
    - vii. College Drive at University of Saskatchewan:  $44 \rightarrow 42$
- 8) Planning ahead:
  - a. The June-meeting was set aside to discuss Transit's upcoming plans. Transit Director, Jim McDonald, is expected to attend.
  - b. The July-meeting was set asides to discuss Access Transit issues. Access Transit Manager, Tracey Loewen, is expected to attend.

#### **TRANSIT ITEMS**

- 9) Mobile Ticket Application:
  - a. A Request for Proposal (RFP) has recently gone out and set to close on June 13, that explores the willingness, capacity and technical solutions that vendors can bring to Saskatoon Transit for a Mobile Ticket function.
- 2) Bus Stop Inventory
  - a. BRS was provided with a draft copy of the Bus Stop Inventory Form for review and comments.
  - b. 1431 bus stops are currently in use.

This meeting was followed by a separate Charrette on issues, needs and opportunities for engagement.

**NEXT MEETING:** Monday, 24 June 2019, 3:30 – 4:30 pm at City Hall or COC (date & location to be confirmed later)