



## STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY JANUARY 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017

8:00 A.M.  
CCTA BOARD ROOM  
15 INDUSTRIAL PARKWAY

Commissioner Buermann, Committee Chair  
Commissioners Spencer, Holland, Pouech & Currier

### **AGENDA**

**8:00 1. Adjustment to the agenda** 8:05 called to order

No adjustments

**8:01 2. Public Comment**

No public comment

**8:05 3. Approval of the December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 committee minutes.**

All reviewed the minutes –

Commissioner Spencer - adjustment nice long quote item 5 –

reduce the comment – Commissioner Spencer will provide the

wording – key recommendation is financial sustainability -

Motion to amend by Commissioner Pouch seconded by

Commissioner Currier – all in favor – minutes approved

**8:08 4. Program Updates**

Mark updated all 12 buses have been delivered and about ½ in service, the fare boxes are up and running.

Working on the RFP Electric buses – total of 12 for the RFP including MVRT and AT in anticipation of the VW Settlement – hopefully done by the end of this month

VW settlement letter to be finalized this week and to be signed by Chair Kaynor and Mark to get the ANR by the 13<sup>th</sup> to promote more electric buses.

Commissioner Spencer checking in on RM – tried to use the app again and is still getting scheduled time not actual time – concerns about the issue. Mark said we have withheld payment until the app is working properly and the beacons are also working. Updates we would have everything settled by the end of this week. We are anticipating asking them to come meet with a committee of the board. We were assured we would receive an update in writing from RM VP on how we progress. Committee has requested that there be monthly updates on the RM issue in the board report on where the system is until it is reliable to the passenger.

### **8:20 5. Funding Model Update discussion**

Had discussion at the board meeting, the full board is on board with moving forward.

Mission of the goal and do we bring in a consultant or a full time staffer to focus on this project. Initial conversations to happen with VTRANS (Michelle B with Mark S) Mark is also going to speak with Charlie Baker at CCRPC. Commissioner Buermann spoke with both Commissioner Waninger and Commissioner Dimitruk, didn't get the sense to support financially from their agency.

We could use our planning grant funds from CCRPC.... Getting the rural RPC's together with CCRPC. Two issues with the RPC's– do they see this as a viable solution. We need the rural folks (temperature check).

Next steps:

1. Set up meeting with the RPC reps after the upcoming board meeting on Tuesday 1/16/18.
2. Statement of goals – crafting this again after we have support of the rural communities.
3. Identify a source of funds for the consultant or enhanced staffing in planning. We will need to identify the funding sources including but not exclusive to RPC for FY19 - \$50,000 is a good place holder. For the CVRPC funding request for July (20-40,000 each year available) for the upcoming year – they are on a federal fiscal year Oct-Sep. Commissioner Currier believes all RPC's are on the federal fiscal year.
4. Maybe we could go statewide and if that is too big maybe we go small and do a regional approach – so we could do either and the committee would need to decide.
5. Include executive summary of the state study in the upcoming board packet for Tuesday

### **8:55 7. Confirm next meeting date**

February 12<sup>th</sup> (Monday) – 8:30AM – send out a meeting invite.

## **9:00 8. Comments and announcements**

Commissioner Pouch – at select board meeting tonight Richard Watts – TAC rep at the CCRPC and he is looking to get funding for GMT bus ridership pilot program? Folks who live on the Hinesburg bus route and see if he can get them to use the bus. Then discuss the cost for parking and what they could change in policy to encourage more public transit ridership. Phil will report back if there is any role the board or agency should be playing.

Commissioner Spencer – RPC is putting together their long range planning plan = proposed to be removed intercept lot and special off ramp off I-89. And nothing has been added in its place – fundamentally there is still value to the idea. Neither a P&R nor facility at this exit – seems to be a gap in this generally location. No scoping document – in a 30 year document we should have the concept in there. He'd like our staff to keep this concept alive. There seems to be some political issues in South Burlington.

## **9:05 9. Adjourn**

Commissioner Buermann motioned to adjourn, Commissioner Pouch second.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:50am