

NextGen Advisory Committee Green Mountain Transit

Meeting Notes
Tuesday June 13, 2017
2:00 PM
15 Industrial Parkway, Burlington, VT

Present:

Rob Moore (LCRPC), Peter Keating (CCRPC), Amanda Holland (NWRPC) Katherine Miles (GMT Board), Bob Buermann (GMT Board), Tom Chittenden (GMT Board).

Absent: Catherine Dimitruk (NWRPC), Bonnie Waninger (CVRPC), Ross Mcdonald (Vtrans).

GMT Staff: Mark Sousa (General Manager), Jon Moore (Director of Operations & Planning), David Armstrong (Planning Manager), Jamie Cram (Marketing & Outreach Manager), Chris Loyer (Public Affairs Manager), Alain Hirsch (Transit Planner).

Nelson Nygaard Staff: Geoff Slater, Nadine Canter Barnicle

Meeting started at 2:03 PM.

Adjustment to the Agenda:

None

Public Comment:

None

Approval of May Minutes: Mark Sousa made a motion to approve the May meeting minutes, Rob Moore seconded the motion and the May meeting minutes were approved.

Overview of Work in Progress: Geoff Slater from Nelson Nygaard went over work in progress including a review of previous studies and plans (completed), an assessment of GMT ridership and service data (completed), assessment of customer markets (underway), development of service guidelines (draft completed) and evaluations of existing GMT services and route profiles (underway).

The following outreach related items were discussed stakeholder interviews (completed), summary of stakeholder interviews (underway), project website (operational), presentation at CATMA meeting (completed), meeting with South Burlington (completed). Regional focus group meetings were also discussed with the plan to be coordinated with GMT staff and local RPC's over the summer.



Overview of Stakeholder Interview Input: Geoff Slater gave a presentation showing general results of the twelve stakeholder interviews. This PowerPoint can be found on the project web page at (ridegmt.com/nextgen).

Preview of Market Analysis: Geoff Slater gave a PowerPoint presentation previewing the assessment of customer markets and described the process to predict public transportation demand. This PowerPoint can be found on the project web page at (ridegmt.com/nextgen).

Priority Setting Exercise: There was an interactive activity where Advisory Committee members were asked to select one of the following tradeoffs:

- Which markets are most important?: Better service for all types of riders, better service of disadvantaged populations or to ensure services are cost effective.
- Where are improvement most needed?: Urban, rural or both are equally important
- How should GMT use most of its resources?: Serve areas where demand is highest or spread service more thinly to provide a basic level of service in more places.
- Which is more important?: Fare free or more service.
- Which types of trips are most important to serve?: Work trips, school trips, trips to access healthcare and social services or shopping trips.

Upcoming Deliverables & Work Scheduled: Upcoming deliverables include the service guidelines final draft, route profiles for each of GMT's routes and a draft assessment of customer markets.

Next Meeting: A poll will be emailed to Committee members to schedule the July meeting since the regularly scheduled meeting date in July 4th.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM.