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VTrans: Barbara Donovan, Vtrans; Ross McDonald, Vtrans

Consultant: Geoff Slater, Nelson Nygaard; Sam Wright, Nelson Nygaard; Eryn Rosenblum, Nelson Nygaard

The meeting opened at 10:05 AM

Adjustment to Agenda: There was no adjustment to the agenda

Public Comment: There were no public comments

Approval of December Meeting Minutes: Approved

Fare Analysis Findings: Geoff Slater from Nelson Nygaard presented the Fare Analysis Findings. There was a discussion on the value of fare consistency through service areas. It was noted that the five fare scenarios can be viewed as a menu of options and through the files created by Nelson Nygaard. GMT staff can easily see the impacts on a route by route basis for different fare scenarios. Mr. Moore stated that from a staff perspective it would make sense to implement the Nextgen service changes prior to implementing any fare changes to understand the ridership impacts of the service changes.

Next Steps: Jon Moore from GMT noted that GMT staff and the Nelson Nygaard team were starting to develop draft plan recommendations after the Advisory Committee meeting based on public, stakeholder and municipal feedback to the scenarios presented at previous meetings. Mr. Moore noted that the draft recommendations would be largely based on the cost neutral scenario.

Mr. Moore asked for Committee comments regarding the scenarios in the next week to provide enough time to incorporate them into the draft recommendation as necessary. Mr. Moore also stated that staff met and has an additional meeting scheduled with the City of Burlington Planning and DPW staff to discuss the recommendation impacts to Burlington service.

The draft recommendation will be presented to the NextGen Advisory Committee at the March meeting, the GMT Advisory Committee April 2nd, and to the GMT Board of Commissioners for requested approval at the April Meeting.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for March 13th at 10 AM at GMT.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 AM