



NextGen Advisory Committee Meeting
Tuesday September 12th, 2017 2:00 pm
15 Industrial Parkway, Burlington VT

Committee and staff members present:

Mark A. Sousa, General Manager
Jon Moore, Director of Maintenance and Planning
David Armstrong, Planning Manager
Jame L. Smith, Marketing and Public Affairs Manager
Alma Hebib, Executive Assistant
Geoff Slater, Consultant for Nelson Nygaard
Peter Keating, CCRPC
Catherine Dimitrick, Treasurer
Bob Buermann, Commissioner
Rob Moore, Commissioner
Tasha Wallis from LCRPC
Bonnie Waninger, Commissioner

Meeting opened at 2:01 pm.

1. Adjustment to the Agenda- No adjustments to the Agenda.
2. Public Comment- No public comment.
3. Approval of the August meeting minutes- Commissioner Buermann made a motion to approve the minutes with the changes of “Chairman Buermann to Commissioner Buermann.” Commissioner Waninger seconded and the minutes were approved.
4. Updated Project Goals & Objectives- There were changes made to the goals and objectives. The first goal was modified from “make service more convenient” to “make transit more convenient.” Additionally, under the second goal, the objective “connect people with medical facilities and social services” was added. There was also a discussion on the scenarios that are being worked on, this includes:

Scenario #1: Major Expansion (+20%)- Major focus on improvements in areas that are already served, low focus on geographical expansion and unconstrained.

Scenario #2: Moderate Expansion (+10%)- Attempts to achieve much of the same as Scenario #1 but with more modest approaches.

Scenario #3: Cost Neutral- Major focus on addressing issues with existing services.

Rob Moore noted that he previously sent suggested edits to the Project Goals which were not incorporated. Mr. Slater asked Mr. Moore to resend them.

5. Capital District Service Scenarios Review & Summary- There was a discussion and review on the scenarios in the capital district area and the high and low service priorities which include market focus, service types, market size, trip types of riders.

All scenarios: Simplified service, more service in Barre, better weekday and weekend service, improved service to hospital hill, core service between Montpelier and Barre, Anchored Flex Service on Hospital Hill, streamlined local service to Montpelier.

Scenario #1: New Sunday service and daily service to Hannaford supermarket.

Scenario #2: New Barre circulator

6. Commuter Route Service Scenario- There was a discussion about the commuter route service scenarios.

All scenarios: simplified service, more direct service with fewer deviations, improved schedules for better hours.

Scenario #1:

- 46 116 Commuter: All service to/from Middlebury
- 56 Milton Commuter: More service
- 76 Middlebury LINK: To/from Vergennes
- 83 Waterbury Commuter: Via I-89
- 84 US 2 Commuter: Via US Route 2
- 86 Montpelier LINK: More and faster service
- 96 St. Albans LINK: Service to Alburgh
- 115 Alburgh Commuter: Replaced by Rt 96
- 116 Richford Commuter: More service
- 286 Waterbury LINK: More service

Scenario #2:

- 96 St. Albans LINK: More service
- 115 Alburgh Commuter: Timed-transfers with Rt 96

Mr. Slater emailed the committee a travel flow data file and gave a brief explanation of how potential ridership demand could be quickly calculated by multiplying the total number of travel flow trips (doubled to account for bi-directional travel) by .02 based on the average market share of existing GMT Commuter routes.

7. Lamoille & FGI Service Scenario- There was a discussion on the Lamoille County scenarios that included the following:

All scenarios: simplified service, streamlined and consistent service in Morrisville, faster and more direct service on Mountain Road, more direct service to and from Waterbury.

Scenario #1:



- 103 Morrisville Shuttle: All day and evening service

Scenario #2:

- 103 Morrisville Shuttle: More service

There was a discussion on the Franklin Grand Isle County scenarios:

All scenarios: simplified service, more direct service to and from Alburgh and timed connections to and from St. Albans Industrial park.

Scenario #1:

- 110 St. Albans Downtown Shuttle: AM peak timed-transfer with 96 St. Albans LINK
- 115 Alburgh Commuter: Replace with extension of 96 St. Albans LINK
- 116 Richford Commuter: More service

Scenario #2:

- 96 St. Albans LINK: Additional PM service
- 115 Alburgh Commuter: More service; discontinue service south of St. Albans

8. Public Involvement & Outreach Activities

Due to time restraints, there was a brief discussion on some of the public involvement and outreach activities in Chittenden County, Washington County, Franklin Grand Isle, Lamoille County, and Mad River Valley.

9. Next Meeting- Next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, November 14th at 10:00 am.

10. Adjourn- Meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.