



Transportation Subcommittee
 Meeting Minutes
 May 28, 2019
 8:30am – 10:00am

Facilitator:	Dave Bulkowski, Sue Sefton		
Meeting Attendees:	Sue Sefton, Bob McKown, Tammy Britton, Dave Bulkowski, Joan Konyndyk, Debbie Coleman, Kendrick Heinlein, Karyn Pelon, Staff: Wende Randall, Brianne Czyzio		
Time Convened:	8:35	Time Adjourned:	9:15

Introductions		
Citizen's Agenda		
Discussion		
<p><u>The Rapid</u>: Next Monday, The Rapid will be unveiling of the new Laker Line accordion bus. The Rapid hired the firm for the Comprehensive Operations Analysis, this will be up and running soon. Dave will share information about Mobile GR's work around equity. The City of Wyoming is doing a master plan, this is an opportunity to be involved and to encourage others to be involved. They may have an opportunity for input around mobility. Currently, there is a focus group around affordable housing meeting next Wednesday. Sue suggested that the Division Avenue corridor group connect with the affordable housing group.</p> <p><u>RideLink</u>: They are waiting for the Rapid to hire a Specialized Service Transportation Coordinator. This main contact is essential to implementing changes. Age Friendly Transportation had their first meeting. They are hoping to tie into the City of Tomorrow grants for financial backing. They are also hoping to tie into Age Friendly Communication. This hopes to create one database/phone number where people can call to get connected to the resources they need. Age Friendly Housing and Age Friendly Outdoor Spaces are still in the process of forming. There is a Resource Center in Traverse City that may be helpful for resources. They have been working with GoGoGrandParent. This company contracts with Lyft and Uber to schedule a ride through a phone call. Right now, they are not sure if there is an accessibility option.</p> <p><u>Wheels to Work</u>: They had to bring the app back due to errors on the administrative side. They are hoping to begin beta testing again next week. In April, the top service areas were 49507, 49503, 49504, and 49505. Wednesdays tend to be the busiest day, followed by Tuesday and Thursday. 14:00-14:59 (2pm) is the busiest hour, followed by 04:00-04:59 (4am). Second shift is the busiest shift. One of the challenges they are experiencing are barriers with riders who do not speak English as their first language. Tyson Food, Herman Miller, and Steelcase will begin in June. They are working to train drivers. Red Cross volunteer drivers are working well. They are working on locating additional funding.</p>		
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Michigan Mobility Challenge Updates		
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<p><u>Via</u> – the project is waiting on a contract from MDOT, but they are hoping to start soon. They are also waiting on a Specialized Service Transportation Coordinator at The Rapid. This will be a great opportunity for seniors as the ride</p>		
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<p>Additional Updates</p>		
<p>Discussion</p>		
<p><u>Talent 2025</u> – they recently hosted a CEO summit with about 75 CEOs in attendance. Within the transportation perspective, there was an interest in transportation solutions. Connect with Tammy if you would like some support. Talent 2025 is also willing to offer some support around data collection. They are working through the data now but do have a few data points. For example, an average of 15 employees per employer noted that they would not be able to hold their job if it wasn't for Wheels to Work.</p> <p>American Public Transportation Association has some resources around the impacts of different amounts of community funding, this may be a helpful resource.</p> <p>Mobility-In-All group will be meeting tomorrow to discuss next steps.</p>		
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