

**CENTRAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
KALAMAZOO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Joint Special Meeting
February 26, 2024**

Place: Metro Administration Building, 530 N. Rose Street
Time: 11:30 A.M.
Staff Present: Sean McBride, Greg Vlietstra, Keshia Woodson-Sow, Sarah Joshi,
Barbara Blissett
Others Present: John Gisler, Peter Dame

1.) KCTA ROLL CALL

*KCTA Members Present: Curtis Aardema, James Ayers, Tafari Brown, Dusty Farmer,
Gary Sigman, Aditya Rama, Tim Sloan, Isaiah Williams,
Greg Rosine*
KCTA Members Absent: None

1). CCTA ROLL CALL

*CCTA Members Present: Curtis Aardema, Rob Britigan, Chris Burns, Dusty Farmer,
Rod Halcomb, Garrylee McCormick, Randy Thompson,
Greg Rosine*
CCTA Members Absent: Lisa Mackie, Jim Pearson

*A motion was a motion was made to excuse Mackie, Pearson
Motion: Burns Second: Thompson*

Motion carried.by voice vote

2.) REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

A motion was made by KCTA and CCTA for approval of the joint CCTA/KCTA special meeting agenda for February 26, 2024 and for approval of the joint CCTA/KCTA meeting minutes for February 12, 2024.

Motion: Britigan Second: Burns

Motion carried by voice vote.

3.) PUBLIC COMMENT – John Gisler commented on the upcoming open house events for the new home of the Kalamazoo County Road Commission and the Charles A. Pratt Justice Center

4.) EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Chair Farmer reported the External Relations Committee met and reviewed the possibilities for the microtransit's brand name and determined the most relevant name as "Metro Link." Dep. Dir. of On Demand Services and Planning Sarah Joshi indicated the Metro Link name showed linking people with the fixed-route system and the past moving into the future of transportation.

A motion was made by KCTA and CCTA to approve the name for the Metro microtransit service to be "Metro Link."

Motion: Sloan/Burns Second: Sigman/Halcomb

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Ayes: Curtis Aardema, James Ayers, Tafari Brown, Dusty Farmer, Aditya Rama,
Gary Sigman, Tim Sloan, Isaiah Williams, Greg Rosine
Nays: None
Ayes: Curtis Aardema, Rob Britigan, Chris Burns, Dusty Farmer, Rod Halcomb,
Garrylee McCormick, Randy Thompson, Greg Rosine
Nays: None
Absent: Mackie, Pearson

5.) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Chair Burns reported that the Planning and Development Committee met and reviewed the three zones for the Microtransit Pilot Project. He asked Dep. Dir. Joshi to present the zone maps and explain their interaction with the fixed-route system.

Chair Burns stated the Planning and Development Committee was recommending Board approval of the three microtransit zones.

A motion was made by KCTA and CCTA to approve the three proposed microtransit zones
Motion: Burns/Farmer Second: McCormick/Rama
Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Ayes: Curtis Aardema, James Ayers, Tafari Brown, Dusty Farmer, Aditya Rama,
Gary Sigman, Tim Sloan, Isaiah Williams, Greg Rosine
Nays: None
Ayes: Curtis Aardema, Rob Britigan, Chris Burns, Dusty Farmer, Rod Halcomb,
Garrylee McCormick, Randy Thompson, Greg Rosine
Nays: None
Absent: Mackie, Pearson

6.) MICROTRANSIT PRESENTATION

Representatives from Via (River North) joined the meeting via Zoom and provided information about the process for creating the zones and answered questions about the extra level service, connections and payment processing.

Chair Rosine thanked Via for their presentation and answering questions from the Board. He reminded everyone this was a pilot project that will take time to review and make adjustments.

8.) EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

Dep. Dir. Woodson-Sow updated the Boardmembers on the upcoming road detours due to road construction.

10.) CHAIRPERSON REPORT – No report.

11.) PUBLIC COMMENT – None

12.) MEMBERS TIME – None

13.) ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by KCTA and CCTA to adjourn the KCTA/CCTA meeting.

Motion: McCormick


Support: Aardema

Motion carried by voice vote.


The meeting adjourned at 12:42 PM.




Greg Rosine
CCTA Chairperson



Barbara Blissett
CCTA Clerk



Greg Rosine
KCTA Chairperson



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KCTA Clerk