

Planning & Stakeholder Relations Committee

November 10, 2022

Board Committee Members

John Tague, Jr., Chair – virtual Ann Ogoreuc – in person Stephanie Turman – virtual

Other Board Members

Jeffrey Letwin - virtual Michele Zmijanac - virtual Lori Mizgorski – virtual Gerry Delon – virtual Jennifer Liptak – virtual

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 20, 2022, Planning & Stakeholder Relations Committee were approved.

2. Presentation of Draft Title VI Analysis for Proposed BRT Major Service Changes (Director of Planning and Service Development Amy Silbermann and Section Manager of Service Development Ellie Newman)

PRT conducted a Title VI study to determine if changes to routes 61D, 71A, 71C and 71D for the Bus Rapid Transit project would negatively affect low income or minority residents.

Routes 61D, 71A, 71C and 71D will end in Oakland to improve reliability and keep these routes from entering downtown traffic affected by downtown loop construction. The P3 route will terminate in Wilkinsburg but will also be extended to downtown and will have Saturday and Sunday service.

Most of the changes were found to have negative impacts to those communities. The extension of the P3 and addition of weekend service will be a positive change.

Mitigation efforts, including the BRT improvements, restocking the extra board of available drivers to cover routes, and restoring trips on previously reduced routes will help even out the balance.

Construction on the downtown loop is expected to begin as early as spring 2023 before moving into the Uptown and Oakland portions of the project.

The next step of the project is to enter a public comment period and award

construction contracts before construction begins.

3. Resolutions

Authorization to Proceed to Public Comment Period for Downtown-Uptown- Oakland BRT Project Related Major Service Changes (Amy Silbermann)

The resolution to authorize PRT to begin a public comment period from December 15th until February 1st for the changes detailed above was approved.

With no further business, the Planning & Stakeholder Relations Committee meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 19, at 8:30 a.m. in the fifth floor Board Room at Pittsburgh Regional Transit offices.