



Planning & Stakeholder Relations Committee

March 19, 2026

Committee Members

Stephanie Turman (Chair)
Tom Burgunder

Other Board Members

Jennifer Liptak
Tia McClenney
Laura Sohinki
Emma Shoucair
Sen. Lindsey Williams

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the February 19, 2026, Planning & Stakeholder Relations Committee were approved.

2. Staff presented a resolution for PRT to enter into a contribution and cooperation agreement for NFL Draft service.

This resolution would authorize PRT to enter into a cooperation and contribution agreement with VisitPITTSBURGH and its Foundation for funding service during the NFL Draft which is scheduled to take place April 23rd through April 25th.

Per the Draft Service Plan, PRT will play a critical role in providing Draft access to fans, attendees, and workers and includes providing additional and supplemental fixed-route bus and light-rail services.

The Foundation, through the Draft Local Organizing Committee, has identified funding in the amount of \$350,000 to help offset PRT's additional Draft Service Plan costs.

This resolution was sent to the full board for consideration.

3. Staff presented an update on Bus Line Refresh.

In summary, Bus Line Refresh aims to:

- Improve service quality and reliability
- Prioritize equitable investment
- Expand connections

These goals will be achieved by:

- Placing an emphasis on improving frequency over coverage
- Increasing service reliability
- Expanding connections, specifically in key areas, such as the Oakland corridor

To keep riders and communities informed, there are more than 60 engagement events planned from now through May 2026. These engagements will be followed by public hearings this summer and the submission of a final plan to the PRT Board in the fall of 2026. Implementation could begin as early as 2027 with Board approval.

More information can be found on the PRT website or at BusLineRefresh.com

4. Staff presented a ridership update.

- In January, Bus ridership saw an improvement year over year and from the prior month during weekday and Saturday service, with a slight decrease on Sundays. Total ridership for the month was 2,504,225.
- Light-rail weekday ridership saw a 39.3% increase year over year during January as well. Saturday and Sunday service saw increases over the prior month and Saturday service decreased year over year. Total ridership for the month was 202,562.
- It was noted that a severe snowstorm in January impacted ridership and On-Time Performance, which have trended in a positive direction since.

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

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2026, in the fifth floor Board Room at Pittsburgh Regional Transit offices.