



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes

Public Transit Advisory Commission

Tuesday, February 17, 2026
5:30 PM

City Hall
Conference Room
1A/1B
701 E. Broadway
Columbia, MO.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Matt Wright called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Present: 9 - Matt Wright, Gabi Jacobs, Sarah Johnson, Katharine Meagher, Adam Thorp, Randal Meyer, Joan Ferguson, Bryan Mink and Hannah Carrico

Absent: 3 - Tammy Teel, William Brumbaugh and Ethan West

Unexcused: 1 - Christine Schneider

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motioned by Joan, seconded by Gabi, approved at 5:31 p.m.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motioned by Gabi, seconded by Joan, approved at 5:31 p.m.

Jan. 20 Minutes

Attachments: [Jan. 20 Minutes.pdf](#)

V. City Council & Other Commission Updates: Vision Zero, Disability, Bike/Ped, CATSO

Matt mentioned that Bryan was reappointed and that the commission gained a new member.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Annual Report

Attachments: [PTAC Annual Report 2025 draft.pdf](#)

Gabi requested that the bus stop evaluation matrix be adjusted so the graph is larger and appears by itself. Matt mentioned that he could do that. Sarah agreed that the second map under measures and references should be removed and replaced with the new map from the comp study. Matt asked if this should be brought back next month for a final vote.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Guest Speaker Michael Parks, Airport Manager

Could not attend.

2. MoDOT Statewide Active Transportation Plan (SATP)

Attachments: [PTAC Letter to MoDOT Concerning SATP draft.docx](#)

Matt went over what the draft was. Bryan and Gabi gave their opinions on the topic.

Adam made a motion to approve and send the letter, seconded by Randal. The motion was approved unanimously at 5:44 p.m.

3. Bus Stop Design Discussion

Matt stated that the city would have additional funding for bus stops and asked the commission if they had any input regarding design or possible additions for the bus stops. Sarah suggested bringing the topic back next month. Matt added that transit should consider a middle ground for all stops, not just shelters or no amenities, but also options such as benches or other types of seating.

4. Earth Day

Matt stated that Earth Day will be Sunday, April 26. He asked the commission if there was enough interest to continue having a booth and what they should do this year. Sarah noted that the main issue last year was the location. Matt explained that they will be on Eco Ave this year. Sarah suggested that they could talk about how the buses are eco-friendly and discuss the bus stop evaluation matrix. Matt added that he still has coozies and notepads.

Joan suggested bringing up the Google Maps integration and the new app. Sarah proposed adding some type of game to generate interest in the Google Maps feature. Adam shared that he has a projector at home and suggested that they could project Joan's map and create an interactive version of it. He also proposed having tablets with interactive map features available for people. Sarah added that, depending on the location, they could have a bus behind the booth. Shannon mentioned that it could be possible depending on the parking spot. Kathy asked what time Earth Day would take place. Gabi replied that it will be from 12-6 p.m.

VIII. RIDERSHIP

Ridership

Attachments: [Jan. Ridership - Sheet1.pdf](#)

IX. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

Shannon reported that they are currently steady at 35 drivers, with one more starting next week, and noted that five drivers are eligible for retirement. Shannon explained that they are considering returning to full route service but would need at least four to five months of steady employment before implementing that change.

Joan mentioned that this will be her last meeting.

Zoom Link

Attachments: [Zoom](#)

X. NEXT MEETING DATE - 3/17/2026

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Matt Wright adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

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