



Central Indiana Regional Transportation Authority (CIRTA)
April 14, 2020 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Virtual

Board Members Present:

Don Adams
Christine Altman
Jerry Bridges
Andy Cook
Bill Ehret
Greg Henneke
Mata Moody
Mark Richards
Linda Sanders

Larry Hesson

Board Members Absent:

Tim Haak
Larry Hesson
Andrew Klineman
Cam Starnes
Robert Waggoner
Dan Woo

CIRTA Staff Present:

Lisa Bailey
Ehren Bingaman (Transpro Consulting)
Desiree Sanks
Deandre Rhodes
Molly Oliver
Spencer Valentine

The meeting was called to order by B. Ehret at 9:06 AM with a quorum.

Introductions

Introductions were made by the Board members, CIRTA/Commuter Connect staff and the public.

Consideration of Resolution #2020-02-01 – Adoption of consent agenda

Consent Agenda Items presented for consideration:

- Consideration Memorandum of Regular Board Meeting of December 10, 2019
- AP Voucher Register
- Financial Report
- Grants Docket

J. Bridges made a motion to accept the consent agenda items. L. Sanders seconded. The motion was approved by all in attendance.

Resolution #2020-04-02 – Resolution to Memorandum of understanding with Amazon for Whitestown Connector

- M. Richards made a motion to approve.*
- L. Sanders seconded. The motion was approved by all in attendance.*

Presentations

Christy Campoll – RLS Associates

5307-5311 Allocation Analysis. C. Campoll says that CIRTA, MPO, IndyGo all partnered to advance studies. 5311 is for the rural areas, whereas 5307 is the urban areas. Traditionally capital funding is 80/20. She feels as if the split between the rural and urban areas should be reasonable. She provided a formula of 5 tasks that will work with the 5307-5311.

E. Bingaman presented recommendations to the Board that included revisions to the mission statement and the development of success outcomes. Following six months of observation, stakeholder interviews, organizational assessment, and interim leadership, Bingaman proposed that CIRTA simplify its mission statement to, “Connecting people to opportunities in Central Indiana.” Furthermore, Bingaman proposed that the Board adopt four success outcomes and engage in a performance measurement program to demonstrate progress towards the mission of improving regional mobility. The four proposed success outcomes are mobility, taxpayer value, community value, and customer experience. The board will consider adoption of these initiatives at a future meeting.

CIRTA Updates

CIRTA has 3 new employees to join the team, Molly Oliver (Van Pool Coordinator), Deandre Rhodes (Mobility Manager), Spencer Valentine (Outreach Representative).

E. Bingaman provided more recommendations for CIRTA's strategic plan. Bingaman stated that with many organizations pivoting to telework, CIRTA should explore promoting telework and flex work schedules to organizations to help with traffic and air quality. Bingaman will spend time engaging the next Executive Director for CIRTA/ COMMUTER CONNECT.

R. Cockrum states that there should be more flexibility and revenue. Senate 369 allows funding. Cockrum would like to force IndyGo to add funding to transit. Cockrum says that the RDA gives a lot of power. He feels local governments will be hit hard in the next few months. Cockrum also contends that mass transit systems will fall behind without funding from the state.

D. Rhodes provided an update on how the commuter vans are being cleaned and sanitized during the COVID-19 outbreak. Miller Transportation is sweeping and mopping the shuttles daily, wiping the seats daily, also has purchased a fog machine to sterilize all of their buses. Royal Limo is also taking precautions by testing all drivers before the start of their shift outside of doing the daily cleaning of the buses.

J. Thomas has been assessing how COMMUTER CONNECT has been impacted by the first 4 weeks of the COVID-19 outbreak. Of the 34 pool vans, 9 are still on the road. Thomas would like to get stories from commuters on the importance of transportation options supported by CIRTA and COMMUTER CONNECT. Thomas attended a meeting with the Indianapolis Indians baseball team and unfortunately an agreement had not taken place. She will address this again when the season opens.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn was entertained and approved by all in attendance at 10:20am.