

Federal Legislative Priorities DRAFT January 6, 2016

2016 Federal Legislative Priorities – Adopted August, 2015

- 1. Increase in Bus Discretionary Funding ✓
- 2. 2016 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Small Starts Application for Central Ave BRT
- 3. Support for Increased LoNo Electric Bus Funding ✓



2016 PSTA Legislative Calendar January 6, 2016

January 13, 2016 Senate TED Appropriations Committee "Open Mike" Hearing – Tallahassee (Miller, Rice (Tentative)) January 13, 2016 Pinellas MPO Meeting January 21, 2016 Florida Public Transportation Association Inaugural Public Transit Day Florida Commission on Transportation Disadvantaged Annual TD Day - Tallahassee (Miller, Johnson, Silvers) Joint PSTA & Pinellas MPO Board Meeting January 22, 2016 January 27, 2016 **PSTA Board Meeting** February 3, 2016 **PSTA Legislative Committee**

February 10, 2016 - Pinellas MPO Meeting

February 10-11, 2016- Pinellas Chamber of Commerce Advocacy Trip -

<u>Tallahassee</u>

(Miller, Long, Borchers)

February 24, 2016 - PSTA Board Meeting

March 2, 2016 - PSTA Legislative Committee

March 13-15, 2016 - APTA Annual Legislative Conference – Washington, DC

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2016 State Legislative Priorities – Adopted August, 2015

1. Central Avenue Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Pilot Project



- 2. Increased Urban Corridor Funding to Support Operations of a **Clearwater Beach to Tampa International Express Route Pilot**
- 3. Increased Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) Funding for Urban **Counties including Pinellas**

Regional Priority

1. Tampa Bay Regional Transit Fare Collection

Other Positions

- A. PSTA Bus Replacement Funds
- B. Increased "Urban Corridor" Funds to FDOT District 7
- C. Express Lanes to Downtown St. Petersburg or Shoulders for Buses
- D. Statewide Regulations to Encourage Uber/Lyft-type transportation options to be available in Pinellas County
- E. Permit Community College Student Fees for Transportation
- F. Multi-Modal Howard Frankland Bridge/SR60 Interchange Funding
- G. Increase State Transit Block Grant Funding