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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES – MAY 18, 2016

The Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) held a staff public hearing to receive comments from the public concerning the proposed Fiscal Year 2016 Program of Projects (POP). This hearing took place in the Maintenance Training Room at PSTA Headquarters at 10:30 AM on this date with the following Board members present:

Joe Barkley
Mark Deighton
Dave Eggers
Patricia Johnson
Bill Jonson
Ken Welch

Also Present:

Brad Miller, CEO
PSTA Staff Members
Members of the Public

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Welch opened the meeting at 10:33 AM.

STATEMENT FOR RECORD

Debbie Leous, Chief Financial Officer, read the following statement: Individuals wishing to make a presentation today are required to complete a yellow public hearing speaker card. This card can be given to staff either at the start of the hearing or during the hearing. Speakers will be recognized in the order in which the comment cards are received. Public comment is limited to three minutes per individual speaker. A group can designate a spokesperson by completing the appropriate form and presenting it to staff. The spokesperson can then speak on behalf of the group, addressing issues for three minutes for each member of the group present in the audience who waives his/her right to speak, up to a maximum of ten minutes. Presentations will be limited to only

the subject for which the public hearing is being held. The public hearing will not be closed until all individuals so desiring have had an opportunity to make a presentation. Please raise your hand if you require a public hearing speaker card and one will be provided by staff.

Ms. Leous stated that the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requires all grantees to publish a list of the POP for the federal grants they receive. She indicated that the deadline to submit the application is the end of June and that the POP is supportive of PSTA's mission.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Barbara Haselden, St. Petersburg resident, stated that she reviewed the bus study and the consultant conducting the study suggested using smaller vehicles on some routes. She is requesting that PSTA utilize smaller buses on some of the routes.

Mr. Miller indicated that this public hearing is required by the federal government for PSTA to submit the grant application. He said the POP reflects a replacement of buses but does not designate what type of bus. He stated that the type of buses will be decided at a later time.

ADJOURNMENT

The public hearing was adjourned at 10:39 AM.