



FINAL Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 30, 2021

5:30pm - 7:30pm Remote/Virtual Meeting

Meeting No. 21.08

Prepared by Andrew Cormier

Members Present:

Serena Tang (Vice Chair), Michelle Peters-Jones (Vice Chair), Bob Turner, Bryan Shepherd, Jarrett Esslinger, Guy Milner, Mudasser Seraj

Regrets:

Councillor Andrew Knack, ETSAB Council Advisor,
Lindsay Vanstone (Chair), Mark Harvey, Phil Reid, William Agbakoba

ETS & City of Edmonton Staff:

Marc Lachance, ETS Staff Liaison
Andrew Cormier, ETS BMO Administrative Assistant

External Liaison:

Steve Bradshaw (President, ATU 569) - Regrets

Materials & Attachments:

- [Meeting Agenda](#)
- ETS Branch Highlights Report

Land acknowledgement - S. Tang (chairing meeting in Lindsay's absence)

CALL TO ORDER 5:35 PM

AGENDA REVIEW DECISION

S. Tang requests addition to new business

***MOVED:** by G. Milner to approve the August 30, 2021 agenda.*

CARRIED

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING DECISION

***MOVED:** by M. Peter-Jones to approve these July, 2021 minutes.*

CARRIED

New Business/Updates:

- Vulnerable Transit User Report Update
- CUTA Virtual Conference Presentation
- Interest in attending CUTA conference (Virtual, Oct 4-6)
- Update on meeting room for hybrid meetings

• **Vulnerable Transit User Report Update**

- No new developments, no discussion needed at this meeting

• **CUTA Virtual Conference Presentation**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> S. Tang discusses that she is setting up the video presentation required for CUTA Presentations. If members would like to contribute to this, please message or email S. Tang, as it is due September 6.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interest in attending CUTA conference (Virtual, Oct 4-6)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M. Lachance confirms it will be possible to register 2, possibly 3 attendees for ETSAB S. Tang will likely be putting her name forward as a potential attendee and encourages other members to do so if they wish G. Milner discussed attending the conference the prior year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on meeting room for hybrid meetings
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two rooms in ET have been booked, including a room previously used as well as an 8 person room (with distancing). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will require calendar meeting updates to support virtual attendance. For food, individual meals will be ordered - please ensure that you indicate your attendance intentions Parking will be confirmed Masks will be required for the foreseeable future In-person is options, members can still choose to attend virtually

Safety and Security	M.Peters-Jones
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M. Peters-Jones presents updates on discussions by members of the subcommittee. Progressing positively and will likely have a draft after next meeting in September 	
Sustainable and Equitable Funding Models	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Met on August 10th. Given the complexity of the topic, the group has worked on revising it and preparing updates related to budget and timelines as well as City definitions. Will be sending an information request list to Marc soon. Will the upcoming municipal election affect the subcommittee? Upcoming Council will be undertaking budget, so will be a big project with them 	

External Updates	
ATU 569	S. Bradshaw
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steve absent 	
ETS Branch Highlights Report	M. Lachance

- M. Lacnance begins presenting ridership numbers, expected impacts to ridership related to 4th wave as well as school returning to session.
- Discussion of Safety on Transit Survey and Council decision to re-institute masks on transit rules. Additional updates regarding service updates and upcoming safety improvements as well as other changes.
- G. Milner asks, re Transit On-Demand, they have removed all shelters in my neighbourhood for the On-Demand stops. What was the reason for removal? For Winter, will they still have snow removal?
 - Marc will follow up on specific area as well as snow protocol
- J. Esslinger asks, West Ed transit centre and LRT construction, over the weekend there was a helicopter showing big change. I only saw 4 bus shelters, is this temporary? Also saw a section of grass and wondered if there will be snow clearing and other accessibility adjustments for this area?
 - Marc will follow up, it is true that there is size and shape restrictions impacting some of the choices, will get more info regarding this for committee
 - G. Milner flags that some shelters have arrived in Edmonton, but apparently there hasn't been time to install them yet
- Michelle. P-J asks: talking to a new student, Do they need to use the smart cards with ID? or just ARC card?
 - Marc - ARC cards are non-transferrable (except between students at the same institution) and would be treated as fare evasion
- S. Tang - any date for ARC card testing?
 - Marc - No update on the timeline for the pilot

Councillor Emerging Issues Update	A. Knack
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Andrew Knack absent 	
Edmonton Arts Council - EAC	S. Tang
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No update sent to S. Tang, she will be connecting with them and asking if an update is upcoming 	
Accessibility Advisory Committee - AAC	M. Peter Jones
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No further update, M. Peters-Jones awaiting update 	
Monthly Branch Update with Carrie	L. Vanstone
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lindsay had discussion with Carrie, including discussion of masks on transit, council discussion and other issues ● Also updates on some upcoming projects including light rail vehicles. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ G. Milner - Clarification on the high floor LRT? ○ Marc - distinction between LRT and streetlevel ● J. Esslinger - Any discussions with the Federal Government? Made commitment to funding for transit a while back? ● S. Tang - will add to next discussion between Lindsay and Carrie 	

Topics of the Night	M. Peters-Jones
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- 3 topics of the night:
- CUTA Virtual conference and attendance/presentation
- Update on Sub Committees and a lengthy update from Carrie Hotton-MacDonald
- Support for Council decision to extend mask mandate including on transit

Motion to Adjourn

CHAIR SIGN-OFF 