

Committee on Transportation and Transit on 2024-01-23 1:30 PM - HYBRID MEETING

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Meeting Time: 01-23-24 13:30

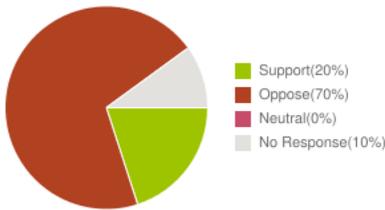
eComments Report

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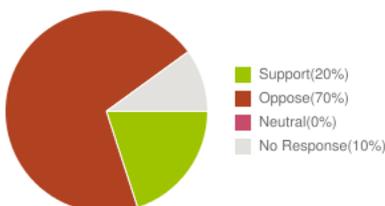
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2 24-124 From the Director, Department of Transportation providing an informational report regarding the Complete Communities Transportation Planning Project. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)	2	1	1	0
3 24-127 2024 Adopted Budget Amendment 42: From the Director, Department of Transportation providing an information report regarding an update on the development of options for an on-demand paratransit taxi service in Milwaukee County. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)	1	0	1	0
4 24-26 From the Director, Department of Transportation, providing an informational report regarding transportation-related matters responsive to or within the 2024 Adopted Budget. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)	2	0	1	0
5 24-23 From the Director, Department of Transportation, and the President and Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS), providing an informational report regarding MCTS' Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Program, including utilization goals, achievement timetables, and historic trends in EEO Program hiring. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)	1	0	1	0
6 24-24 From the Director, Department of Transportation, and the President and Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transit System, providing an informational report regarding Title VI Equity Analysis, and Service and Fare Equity Analysis. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)	2	1	1	0
7 24-25 From the President and Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transit System, providing an informational report regarding transit/paratransit-related matters responsive to or within the 2024 Adopted Budget. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)	1	0	1	0
8 24-27 Information related to Org. Units, Strategic Program Areas, Operating Budgets, and Capital Projects within the 2024 Adopted Budget under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Transportation and Transit per the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances. Department heads should be prepared to provide a briefing, if necessary/requested. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)	1	0	1	0

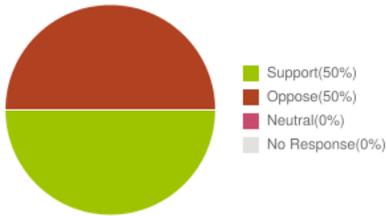
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James Macon

Location:

Submitted At: 12:23pm 01-23-24

Nothing has changed but got Worse. No connection of buses. Three bus where one used to take you there. So now it turns into a longer waiting time to get to where you going. No security with all the guns out here. Only person don't carry is the driver's Also the security. And no one respects them. Including them. They have no power to do anything. You need to have Also care about the public. When is very cold. Be able to transport people for free to warming stations. Just like new year's eve. Or irish day. It may be warming buses in certain areas. With proper security for both.

Barbara Beckert

Location:

Submitted At: 10:41am 01-23-24

Public Comments to Milwaukee County

Committee on Transportation and Transit

Submitted to Committee Chairperson Supervisor Priscilla E. Coggs-Jones

Vice Chair Supervisor Steven Shea

Honorable Members of the Committee

Re Agenda Item 24-124 development of options for an on-demand paratransit taxi service

Submitted by Barbara Beckert, Paratransit Taxi Task Force Member

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January 23, 2024

Thank you for the opportunity to submit public comments to you regarding Agenda Item 24-124 "development of options for an on-demand paratransit taxi service". As a member of the Milwaukee County Paratransit Taxi Task Force, I want to share my gratitude and thanks to Chairwoman Coggs-Jones, Vice-Chair Shea, members of the committee, County Board Chairwoman Nicholson, and other members of the County Board for your support and funds in the budget to support an on demand paratransit taxi service for paratransit eligible residents of Milwaukee County.

As a member of the Paratransit Taxi Task Force, I look forward to working with you to find a sustainable alternative to ensure people with disabilities have equitable access to same day transportation that is timely and reliable, and enables paratransit riders to live as independently as possible and be treated with respect and dignity. Task Force members are committed to ensuring that paratransit eligible county residents once again have access to a same day on-demand paratransit service that is accessible to all eligible riders. We appreciate the time and effort that Director Donna Brown-Martin is putting forth to advance this effort.

The final 2024 Milwaukee County budget includes funding to be held in reserve to fund recommendations of the

Paratransit Taxi Task Force for on-demand paratransit services that prioritize transportation that is related to healthcare and employment. Task Force members commend this budget initiative and agree with the spirit of the budget proposal and the need for this new program to provide demand paratransit rides for specific priority needs. This does create challenges in program design given federal requirements that do not allow trip purpose restrictions; for example, FTA Section 5307 funding will not allow trip purpose restrictions since those restrictions are not in place for other fixed route or paratransit trips. Task Force members remain committed to working with policymakers to develop a solution that allows for trip purpose priorities, is accessible and cost effective, and that supports equity, independence and inclusion of Milwaukee County residents with disabilities.

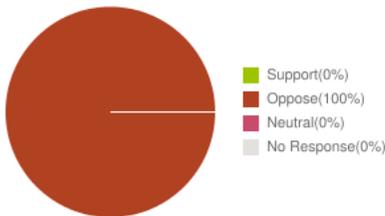
Task Force members are also committed to ensuring that the paratransit van service provided by Transdev continues to improve and that it provides service that is timely, reliable, and treats riders with dignity and respect. While improvements have been made, we continue to hear from community members who are experiencing significant barriers. We thank committee members for your continued oversight and ensuring accountability for the paratransit van service that is critical to the health and independence of so many of Milwaukee County's most vulnerable residents.

Thank you for your service and your consideration of these public comments.

Note: Please include this in the Public Comments for this meeting.

Agenda Item: eComments for 3 24-127 2024 Adopted Budget Amendment 42: From the Director, Department of Transportation providing an information report regarding an update on the development of options for an on-demand paratransit taxi service in Milwaukee County. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

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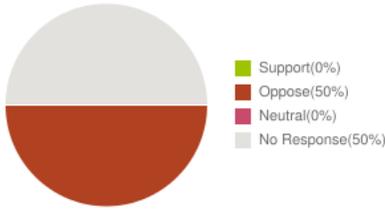
Location:

Submitted At: 12:29pm 01-23-24

No difference. Then m p s Having mpd on the Schools. Deputies should be on public transportation. With all the shootings on and off the bus. Guns put out on drivers also passengers. Person got off the bus. Was Is sexual assaulted. And with all the guns in the community. By everyone. In the supreme court allowing guns On public transportation. They should have the same security And feel safe just like the company. And there highly secure building to the county high security building.

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Marty Hagedorn

Location:

Submitted At: 1:32pm 01-23-24

When our fellow county residents are freezing to death in the streets, urgent action by the government is needed. I understand that warming centers in our county are over capacity, and have had to turn people away. I ask that you consider creating legislation to require MCTS to offer rides free of charge when the weather becomes dangerously cold, and repurpose unused MCTS busses to be used as mobile warming centers during these cold weather emergencies.

James Macon

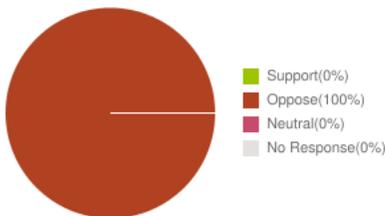
Location:

Submitted At: 12:37pm 01-23-24

My comments Was put in the wrong. Place. I put it in where they was talking about taxi. So look at that one. Then for taxi. That been a problem for a very long time. And you have a company that's from overseas. That at any time they could sell the place just like they have done over the year Like john dorothy did Also first student Sold to the people that's running it now.

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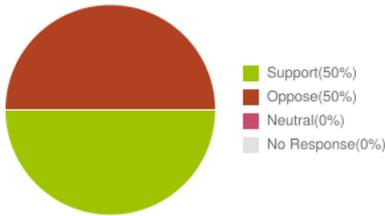
James Macon

Location:

Submitted At: 12:16pm 01-23-24

A buddy buddy system

Overall Sentiment



James Macon

Location:

Submitted At: 12:17pm 01-23-24

A buddy buddy system that they know been going on for years to county.

Kevin Meyers

Location:

Submitted At: 9:29am 01-23-24

Hello, My name is Kevin Meyers and I'm a member of the Paratransit Taxi Task Force. I thank the Transportation Committee members and the County Board for their support in the budget. I'm committed to working with you to find a way to provide same day on demand paratransit service which is greatly needed.

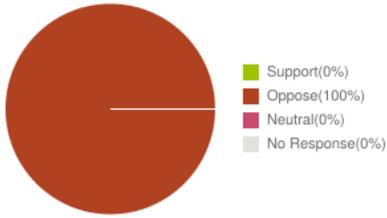
Personally, this has affected my life in what it costs to get from point A to point B. There are many times taking the bus or the paratransit van service due to time constraints doesn't work. My involvement with three paratransit committees, the voting coalition, two volunteer organizations, medical appointments and working out to remain physically fit would have to change at some point. I mean something would have to be given up due to cost of transportation and spending half a day to travel.

I used the previous transit taxi program in the past and it was so helpful in my involvement with resolving paratransit issues, volunteer organizations and other activities in my life, and motivates me to make sure this is available again for me and other paratransit users in Milwaukee County.

Thanks,

Kevin Meyers

Overall Sentiment



James Macon

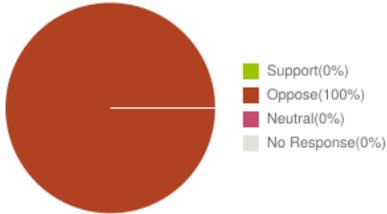
Location:

Submitted At: 2:15pm 01-23-24

For many years i've been a lot of problems with this system. From john dorty. Selling his part of the company and not telling the county or m. C. T. S. Up to now First Transit. Selling to someone else. Then prior. Cherry street. Was close given to first transit.

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James Macon

Location:

Submitted At: 2:18pm 01-23-24

It better securities for the buses. With all the guns. All the shootings. People Get off the bus Assaulted. Guns pulled on drivers and passengers. Security has no authority to do anything. Or able to do anything when it comes to guns. But they are still called to The scene. But the company will save that they're Not. Just like the other lies they tell