



Milwaukee County

Meeting Minutes Committee on Transportation and Transit

Chairperson: Supervisor Priscilla E. Coggs-Jones

Vice Chairperson: Supervisor Steven Shea

Supervisor Patti Logsdon

Supervisor Peter Burgelis

Supervisor Caroline Gómez-Tom

Committee Coordinator: Kelsey A. Evans, (414) 278-4013

Research Analyst: Daniel Park, (414) 278-4362

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

1:30 PM

Room 203-R & Microsoft Teams
County Legislative Information Center

HYBRID MEETING

This meeting was held in Room 203-R, and was live-streamed on the County Legislative Information Center: <https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Call To Order

Roll Call at 1:32 p.m.

Present 5 - Shea, Logsdon, Burgelis, Gómez-Tom and Coggs-Jones

RESOLUTIONS - 2

1 [23-819](#)

A resolution supporting a new policy encouraging all Milwaukee County fleet purchases be vehicles produced by United States-based manufacturers employing United Auto Workers (UAW) where possible to promote and support American-made products, businesses, and employees

Sponsors: Burgelis, Gómez-Tom, Martin, Martinez, Clancy, Shea, Coggs-Jones, Johnson, Jr., Logsdon and Rolland

Attachments: [23-819 RESOLUTION](#)
 [23-819 FISCAL NOTE](#)

APPEARANCES:

Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr., District 2
Supervisor Shawn Rolland, District 6 (virtually)
Supervisor Juan Miguel Martinez, District 12

Supervisors Shea, Coggs-Jones, Johnson, Jr., Logsdon, and Rolland requested unanimous consent to be added as cosponsors of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairwoman.

Donnell Shorter, President, Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 998, appeared and spoke in favor of this Resolution.

John Drew, Vice-President, United Auto Workers, Local 72, appeared virtually and spoke in favor of this Resolution.

A motion was made by Supervisor Burgelis that this Resolution be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Shea, Logsdon, Burgelis, Gómez-Tom and Coggs-Jones

- 2 [23-839](#) A resolution supporting the recommendations of the MCTS Transit Safety and Security Task Force and encouraging the implementation of new security policies and practices (**Referred to the Committees on Transportation and Transit; and Finance**)

Sponsors: Clancy, Burgelis, Martinez, Shea, Gómez-Tom, Logsdon and Coggs-Jones

Attachments: [23-839 RESOLUTION](#)
 [23-839 FISCAL NOTE](#)

APPEARANCES:

Supervisor Ryan Clancy, District 4 (virtually)
Kelsey A. Evans, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services Division, Office of the County Clerk

Supervisors Shea, Gomez-Tom, Logsdon, and Coggs-Jones requested unanimous consent to be added as cosponsors of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairwoman.

The following people appeared and spoke in favor of this Resolution:
Donnell Shorter, President, Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU), Local 998
Kyle Handel, Executive Board Member, ATU, Local 998
Michael Brown, Vice-President, ATU, Local 998
Patrice Walker, Member, ATU, Local 998
Christopher Garrett, Member, ATU, Local 998

The following people appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Resolution:
Regina Nash, Member, ATU, Local 998
Janice Guetchidjian
Joseph M. Rout, Sr., Member, ATU, Local 998
Sandra Cooper, Member, ATU, Local 998
Cynthia Simpson, Member, ATU, Local 998
Ron Jansen (virtually)

James Macon, Retiree and Former President, ATU, Local 998, appeared and spoke against this Resolution.

The following people registered in favor of this Resolution, but did not speak:
DeAnn Reddie-Brown
Nicole Hodges
Greg Banks
Charlotte Peters, Member, ATU, Local 998
Tracy Bumper, Member, ATU, Local 998

A motion was made by Supervisor Burgelis that this Resolution be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Shea, Logsdon, Burgelis, Gómez-Tom and Coggs-Jones

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION /
MILWAUKEE COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM - 1**

- 3** [23-831](#) From the Director, Department of Transportation and the President and Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transit System, providing an Informational Report regarding MCTS Transit Safety and Security Taskforce Updates. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [23-831 REPORT](#)
[23-831 MCTS REPORT \(received 09/01/23\)](#)

APPEARANCES:

Dan Basile, Chief Operations Officer, Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS)
Kevin Pumphrey, Director of Transportation, MCTS
Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr., District 2
Ben Stark, Human Resources Director, MCTS
Denise Wandke, President and Managing Director, MCTS

The following people appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report:

Michael Brown, Vice-President, Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU), Local 998
Donnell Shorter, President, ATU, Local 998

Kyle Handel, Executive Board Member, ATU, Local 998, appeared and spoke in favor of this Informational Report.

Regina Nash registered as speaking for information only regarding this Informational Report, but did not appear before the Committee.

This Informational Report was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - 3

- 4 [23-832](#) From the Director, Department of Transportation, requesting retroactive approval to apply for and accept funding, if awarded, through the 2023 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Demonstration Activities Discretionary Grant Program. **(Referred to the Committees on Transportation and Transit; and Finance)**

Attachments: [23-832 REPORT](#)
 [23-832 RESOLUTION](#)
 [23-832 FISCAL NOTE](#)

APPEARANCES:

Donna Brown-Martin, Director, Department of Transportation
Supervisor Kathleen Vincent, District 11 (virtually)

A motion was made by Supervisor Shea that this Action Report be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Shea, Logsdon, Burgelis, Gómez-Tom and Coggs-Jones

- 5 [23-824](#) From the Director, Department of Transportation providing an Informational Report regarding an update on Milwaukee County's 2023 Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant Award. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [23-824 REPORT](#)
 [23-824 POWERPOINT](#)

APPEARANCE:

Donna Brown-Martin, Director, Department of Transportation

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

- 6 [23-826](#) From the Director, Department of Transportation providing an Informational Report regarding an update on the Complete Communities Transportation Planning Project. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [23-826 REPORT](#)
 [23-826 POWERPOINT](#)

APPEARANCE:

Donna Brown-Martin, Director, Department of Transportation

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION /
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES - 1**

- 7 [23-830](#) **2023 Adopted Budget Amendment No. 1:** From the Director of the Department of Transportation and Administrator, Department of Health and Human Services, Aging and Disabilities Services, providing an update on the Paratransit Taxi Program. **(Considered by the Committees on Transportation and Transit; and Finance)**
(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

Attachments: [23-830 REPORT](#)
 [23-830 MCTS LETTER](#)
 [23-830 PARATRANSIT TAXI TASKFORCE RECOMMENDATIONS](#)
 [23-830 POWERPOINT](#)
 [23-830 SEWRPC MEMORANDUM \(received 09/01/23\)](#)

APPEARANCES:

Donna Brown-Martin, Director, Department of Transportation
Fran Musci, Director of Paratransit Services, Milwaukee County Transit System
Kelsey A. Evans, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services Division, Office of the County Clerk

The following people appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report:

Mark Ward, Regional Director of Operations, Transdev
Donnell Shorter, President, Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 998

Mr. Kevin Fortune appeared virtually, and spoke against this Informational Report.

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION /
MILWAUKEE COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM - 2**

- 8 [23-828](#) From the Director, Department of Transportation and the President and Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transit System providing an Information Report on the status of the East-West Bus Rapid Transit (CONNECT 1) route. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [23-828 REPORT](#)
 [23-828 POWERPOINT](#)

APPEARANCES:

David Locher, Manager, Enhanced Transit, Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS)
Denise Wandke, President and Managing Director, MCTS

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

- 9 [23-829](#) From the Director of the Department of Transportation and Managing Director and President of the Milwaukee County Transit System, an informational update regarding the Milwaukee County Transit System Employee Engagement Survey Results **(Considered by the Committees on Personnel; and Transportation and Transit) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [23-829 REPORT](#)
[23-829 REVISED REPORT \(09/05/23\)](#)
[23-829 MCTS EMPLOYEE SURVEY RESULTS](#)
[23-829 REVISED MCTS EMPLOYEE SURVEY RESULTS \(09/05/23\)](#)

APPEARANCES:

Ben Stark, Human Resources Director, Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS)

Kevina Vann, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Manager, MCTS

Kelsey A. Evans, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services Division, Office of the County Clerk

Mr. Stark provided electronic documents, which are attached to this file as "23-829 REVISED REPORT (09/05/23)" and "23-839 REVISED MCTS EMPLOYEE SURVEY RESULTS (09/05/23)."

The following people appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report:

Michael Brown, Vice-President, Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU), Local 998

Kyle Handel, Executive Board Member, ATU, Local 998

Donnell Shorter, President, ATU, Local 998

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

E-COMMENTS - 1

10 [23-20](#) eComments submitted to the Committee on Transportation and Transit via the County Legislative Information Center (CLIC).

*The Office of the County Clerk collects eComments via CLIC, and appends these official public records to Reference File No. 23-20 at the conclusion of each meeting.

Attachments: [23-20 eComments \(09/05/23\)](#)

There were no appearances for Item 10.

The September 5, 2023, record of eComments is attached to this file as "23-20 eComments (09/05/23)."

The September 5, 2023, record of eComments was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

The foregoing items were not considered in agenda order.

Length of Meeting: 1:32 p.m. to 5:46 p.m.

Adjourned,

**Kelsey A. Evans
Committee Coordinator
Legislative Services Division, Office of the County Clerk
Committee on Transportation and Transit**

Deadline for the next meeting:
The next regular meeting for the Committee on Transportation and Transit is Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

Approval Tracking System review must be completed in Legistar on or before WEDNESDAY, November 8, 2023, at 5:00 p.m., for the December meeting cycle.