

## ACCESS FOR ALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

December 16, 2022

*Canek Aguirre, Chair*

The Access for All Advisory Committee (AFA) met virtually on December 16 and the highlights from the meeting are provided below. A list of participants is on the last page. The AFA advises the TPB on transportation issues and services important to low-income communities, underrepresented communities, people with limited English proficiency, people with disabilities, and older adults.

### Public Participation Evaluation

Rachel Beyerle, TPB Communications Manager, introduced Lori Zeller and Charlie Echard of Foursquare ITP who presented the results of the 2022 TPB Participation Plan Evaluation. The presentation included an overview of findings and recommendations based on a review of TPB public participation practices between January 2019 and September 2022 as well as high-level results from four focus group discussions.

### WMATA Better Bus Listening Session

Allison Davis, TPB Alternate Member and Vice President of Planning and for WMATA, and Peter Cafiero, Managing Director of Intermodal Planning for WMATA, presented on the Better Bus Program and its initiatives, including the Network Redesign launched this month. Ms. Davis and Mr. Cafiero provided a brief overview of Better Bus initiatives and current status, followed by a period of open discussion on members' ideas and priorities for a Better Bus system. Comments focused on various elements but particularly on the needs of people with disabilities and low-income households.

### OTHER BUSINESS

- Chair Aguirre thanked the committee for their participation, reminded them that this is his final meeting, and highlighted plans for the next Chair starting in calendar year 2023.
- Sergio Ritacco thanked Chair Aguirre for his service and provided an update on TPB staffing, introducing new member Marcela Moreno, and it's immediate next steps of establishing the schedule for calendar year 2023 with the next Chair.
- Sergio Ritacco also shared with the AFA Committee the recent federal approval of COG's Project Management Plan for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities funds (Section 5310). The PMP outlines the policies and procedures used in the management and administration of the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program. It can be accessed here:  
<https://www.mwcog.org/documents/2016/03/04/program-management-plan-for-enhanced-mobility-of-seniors-and-individuals-with-disabilities-funds-section-5310-enhanced-mobility/>

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Karen Randolph, DDOT, Title VI Coordinator		Rachel Beyerle
<b>Maryland</b>		Marcela Moreno
Bill Orleans, member of the public		
Sara Fought, JCA Connect-A-Ride		<b>Chair</b>
Deborah Fisher		Canek Aguirre, City of Alexandria Councilmember
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Angela White, National MS Society of Greater DC		
Sherri Mohebbi, IT Curves		
Lori Zeller, Foursquare ITP		
Charlie Echard, Foursquare ITP		