PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION & PARKING COMMISSION MINUTES September 17, 2014

The Public Transportation and Parking Commission met on the above date at 9:15 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Public Works Department.

Members Present: Ms. Marsha Wyly, Ms. Jessica Faison, Mr. Charles Moore, Mr. Brian Farkas, Mr. Dave Schwartz and Mr. Scott Alford.

Staff Present: Mr. Kevin Mulligan, Director of Public Works, Mr. Scott Godefroy, City

Engineer, Mr. Stephen Mancuso, Transit Manager, and Ms. Geraldine Teel, Secretary

Council Liaison: Council Member Richard Croskery

WELCOME: Ms. Marsha Wyly called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. and established a quorum was present.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBER: Chairperson Marsha Wyly introduced Mr. Scott Alford, the newest member of the Public Transportation and Parking Commission. Mr. Alford gave a brief background. Commission members and staff welcomed him and introduced themselves as well.

AGENDA: Ms. Marsha Wyly asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. Ms. Wyly made an addition under New Business: UNRI. Mr. Charles Moore made a motion to accept the revised agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Jessica Faison and unanimously approved.

MINUTES: Ms. Marsha Wyly asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the August minutes. Mr. Brian Farkas made a motion to approve the August minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Moore and unanimously approved.

GREENVILLE TRANSPORTATION ACTIVITY CENTER (GTAC): Mr. Scott Godefroy gave a brief update on GTAC. He stated the RFQ's (Request for Qualification) for the design of the facility have been received and are currently being evaluated.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ms. Marsha Wyly asked if there were any public comments. There were none at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election of Vice-Chair: Mr. Brian Farkas nominated Mr. Dave Schwartz to serve as Vice-Chair. Mr. Schwartz stated he would not be able to serve as Vice-Chair at this time. Mr. Charles Moore was asked if he would like to serve as Vice-Chair and he accepted. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Farkas to elect Mr. Charles Moore as Vice-Chair and the motion was seconded by Ms. Jessica Faison and unanimously approved.

2. UNRI (University Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative): Mr. Scott Godefroy stated things are going well. Mr. Kevin Mulligan stated ticketing and towing are going smooth. Ms. Marsha Wyly asked to have an update at the October meeting. Mr. Charles Moore, who lives in the neighborhood, stated that the traffic has calmed down and is much quieter now.

OLD BUSINESS:

PARKING UPDATE: Mr. Scott Godefroy gave a brief update on the parking deck. He stated that everything is going well and still within the budget. He said that the precast installation should be completed by the end of September. Mr. Godefroy attempted to show a video of the progress of the deck; unfortunately, only one slide was visible. He advised everyone to visit the website www.greenvillenc.gov for an update on the project. Mr. Mulligan stated there were a few surprises such as an underground storage tank and the foundation of the prior building as well; however, it has been taken care of and everything is on schedule. Councilmember Croskery stated that so far everything looks great.

Mr. Brian Farkas stated that he would like to have an update on the E-Tag program to see how it's doing since implementation. Others commission members agreed. Mr. Mulligan said he would contact Mr. Carl Rees, Economic Development Officer, and have him come to the October meeting and give an update on the E-Tag Program.

GREAT DATA & RGP SERVICE REPORT: Mr. Stephen Mancuso gave a brief update. He stated ridership for August 2014 is slightly lower than August 2013. However; August 2014 had one less day of operation than August 2013 which explains a portion of reduced ridership. He stated revenues on a monthly basis are less than budget and expenses are less than budget as well. Mr. Mancuso said he has seen a significant improvement in ridership for the month of September due to the beginning of the school year at PCC (Pitt Community College). Ms. Jessica Faison asked Mr. Mancuso about the NextBus system. Mr. Mancuso stated the NextBus system overall is working well. He noted that he did get NextBus to update the service to Verizon rather than the current ATT. Verizon is a more reliable source Mr. Mancuso stated. Ms. Jessica Faison said ECU (East Carolina University) is currently using NextBus also. Mr. Scott Alford stated that Vidant is in the process of getting NextBus installed on their buses as well.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2014, at 9:15 a.m. in the Public Works Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Geraldine Teel, Secretary Public Transportation & Parking Commission