



County of Los Alamos

Minutes

Transportation Board

David North, Chair; Natalie Morgan, Vice Chair; Catherine Erwin-Renfro; and Georgia Strickfaden, Members

Thursday, June 3, 2021

5:30 PM

Via Zoom Webinar

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The June 3, 2021, Transportation Board Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm via Zoom Webinar.

Board Members Present:

David North

Georgia Strickfaden

Catherine Erwin-Renfro

Board Member Absent:

Natalie Morgan

Denise Derkacs, Council Liaison

Staff in attendance:

Anne Laurent, Public Works Director

Jon Bulthuis, Deputy Public Works Director

Geoff Rodgers, Airport Manager

Eric Martinez, County Engineer

Juan Rael, Traffic & Streets Manager

Annette Granillo, Transit Manager

Keith Wilson, Project Manager

Amy Danforth, Senior Office Specialist

Dennis Segura, Project Manager for DPU

Perry Rutherford, IM Support

Members of the public in attendance:

Conrad Ley, Wilson & Company

Greg White, San Ildonfeso

Katie Leonard, 3092 Woodland Road; LA RES Task Force Chair

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Member Strickfaden seconded by Member

Erwin-Renfro that the June 3, 2021; meeting agenda be approved as presented; motion passed unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Greg White, 600 San Ildefonso; thanked the board members for their service.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[14364-21](#) **Attachments:** [A - DRAFT Meeting Minutes for May 6, 2021](#)

Motion was made by Chair North seconded by Member Strickfaden that the May 6, 2021; meeting minutes be approved as presented; motion passed unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS (Action maybe taken on these items)

[14365-21](#) **Attachments:** [DP Road Phase II T-Board Presentation](#)

Eric Martinez, County Engineer introduced Keith Wilson, Project Manager with LAC Engineering and Project Management. Mr. Wilson introduced Dennis Segura, Project Manager with LAC Department of Utilities and Conrad Ley with the design consultant Wilson & Company. Mr. Wilson provided the presentation.

- Project Location - DP Road
- Project Purpose - Infrastructure Improvement to support Economic Development and existing and future businesses on DP Road.
- Project Scope - Utilities - water, gas lines, new sanitary sewer, new electric system, and fiber/communication upgrades, as necessary. Roadway Reconstruction - continuation of two 12-foot travel lanes, curb & gutter, sidewalk, street lighting, storm drain system and cul-de-sac turnaround at eastern end, parking alternatives (south side).
- Project Funding - \$4.5 million in CIP Economic Development Funds appropriated in FY 2021 for Design & Construction
- Public Information & Involvement
 - June 3, 2021 - T-Board Presentation & Feedback

- June 17, 2021 - Public Comment Due
- August 2021 - Preliminary Engineering Design Review
- November/December 2021 - Final Design Review
- March 2022 - Preconstruction Meeting
- Proposed Schedule
 - Final Design Completion - December 2021
 - Award Construction Contract - January/March 2022
 - Start of Construction - April 2022
 - Project Completion - November 2022

Public Comment:

- Katie Leonard, LA RES Task Force Chair; had a question regarding bicycle lanes.
- Member Strickfaden asked if there was an option to move the road south so pedestrians would not have to run across the road.
- Member Erwin-Renfro is concerned about safety with regards to the fire trucks and other emergency vehicles.
- Chair North asked a question regarding Canyon Rim Trail access for bicyclists.

14366-21

Jon Bulthuis, Deputy Public Works Director provided the presentation on the Atomic City Transit update to the five-year transit study.

- Current Service Provided
- Ridership Summary
- Contractor Tasks

Public Comment:

Katie Leonard, 3092 Woodland Road; LA RES Task Force Chair asked if the study would include a measurement of greenhouse gas emissions or plans for reduction.

Greg White, 600 San Ildefonso; wanted to know what the progress is on electric busses.

Member Strickfaden mentioned that she is an avid bus rider and complemented ATC on the quiet and cleanliness of the busses.

Chair North thanked Jon for the very good report and commented on the electric busses and their efficiencies in mountain communities.

Denise Derkacs, Council Liaison asked about State and Federal funding for ATC.

The presentation will be included with the meeting minutes.

6. REPORTS & UPDATES

A. County Council Liaison Reports

Councilor Derkacs provided the following update:

In person council meetings will resume on June 8th, public comment will continue to be conducted via Zoom.

County Manager Harry Burgess retired; Steven Lynne is Acting County Manager until the position is filled.

B. Chair's Report

Chair North did not have a report.

C. Board Member Reports

Board Members did not have a report.

D. Staff Report

[14367-21](#)

Attachments: [A - PW Projects Report - May 2021](#)

Anne Laurent, Public Works Director provided the following update:

- Council approved a contract for the Environmental Feasibility Study.
- WAC Building - Council approved the design contract.

Member Georgia Strickfaden had a question regarding the Urban Trail.

E. Tourism Task Force Report

Board Member Georgia Strickfaden did not have a report, meeting was cancelled.

F. LA RES Transportation Subcommittee Liaison Report

Katie Leonard provided the following report:

- She is researching bicycle networks
- She asked if the County is a NACTO member

- Showed board members and staff the use of a green box in bike lanes used to increase safety.

Greg White, 600 San Ildefonso; wanted to know what happened to the “five foot signs” reminding drivers to be aware of bicyclists.

Katie's slide will be included with the meeting minutes

7. NEXT MEETING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 1, 2021

- **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Possible safety road signage at Stables
- Update On Road Margins
- West Jemez Road/SR4 Update
- Flow Trail Update
- PW Design & Construction Standards
- Revisit Bike and Pedestrian Plans
- Electric Bicycles

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Member Strickfaden, seconded by Erwin-Renfro that the June 3, 2021, Transportation Board meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Approved:

David North

11/8/2021

David North, Chair

Date

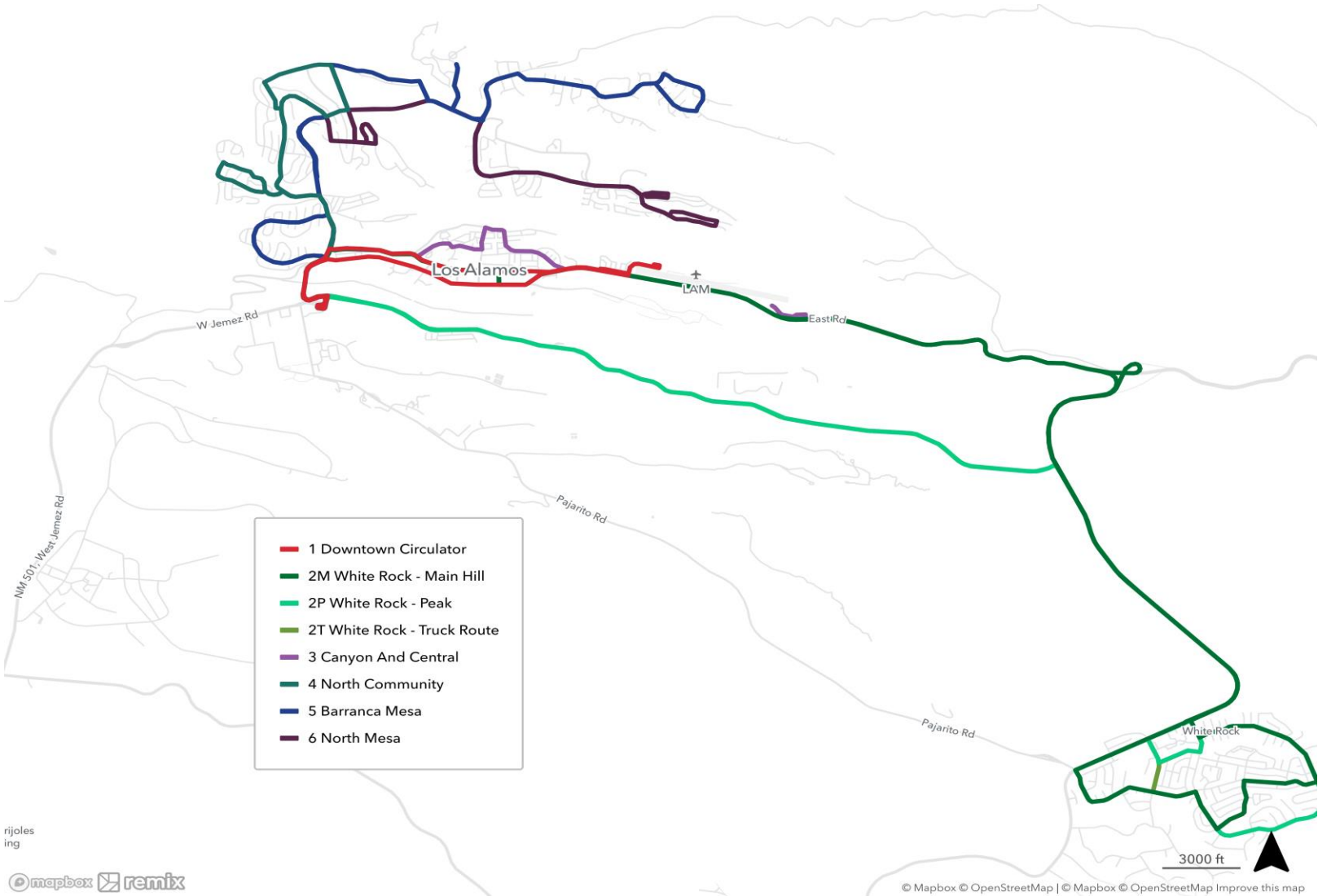
Atomic City Transit – Update to Five Year Transit Study

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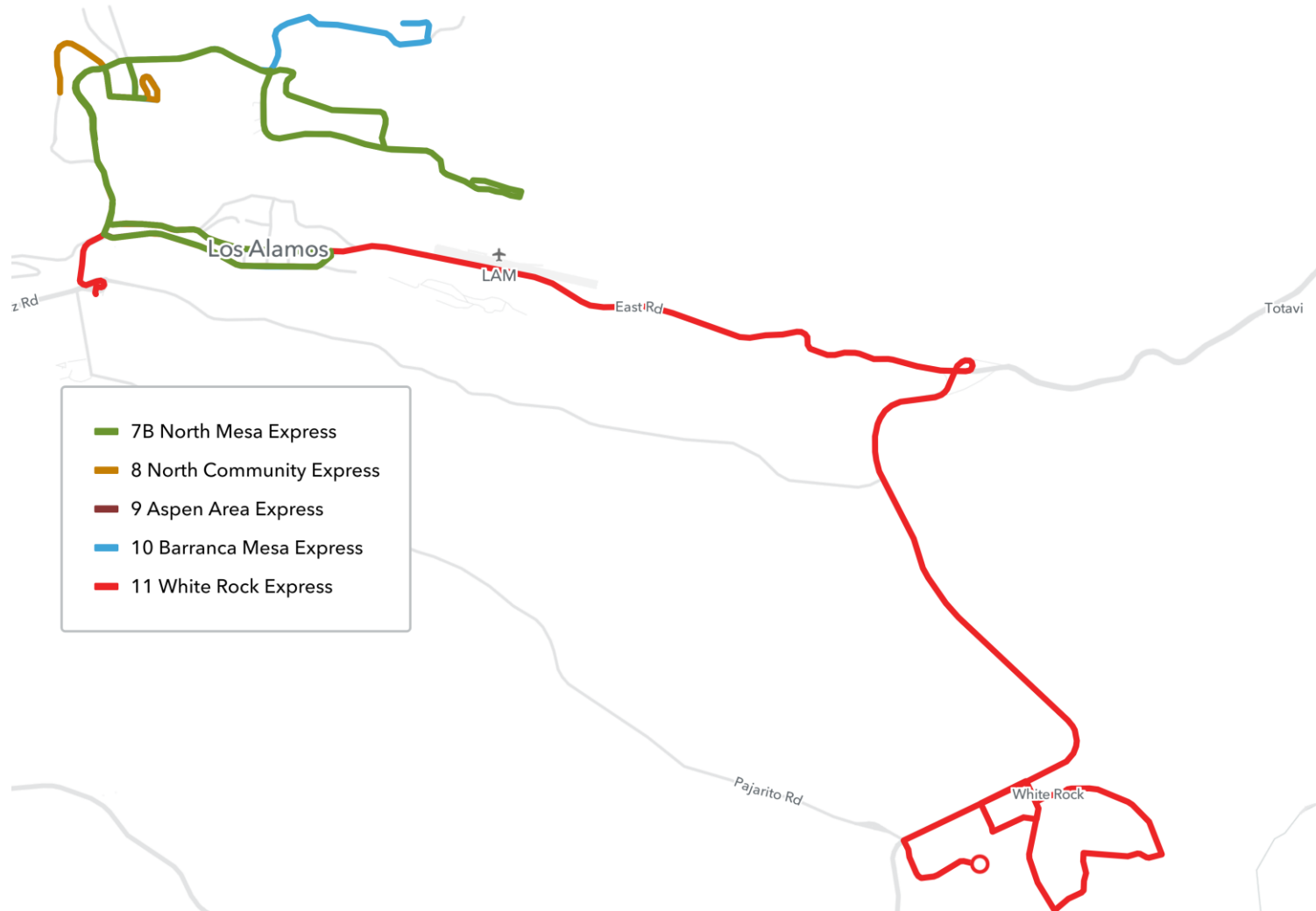
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2021 Fixed Route Service Area



2021 Express Route Service Area



Current Service Provided

- Hourly service in seven neighborhood routes (Main Hill to/from White Rock, Truck Route to/from White Rock, Canyon/Central, North Community, Barranca Mesa and North Mesa) between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- Twice an hour service on one neighborhood route (North Mesa) and White Rock during peak periods
- Service every 30 minutes on three routes (Downtown Circulator, North Community and Canyon/Central) between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- Service every 15 minutes on the Downtown Circulator during peak periods
- ADA Complementary Paratransit Service for individuals with disabilities during the same days and hours of the fixed route service
- Dial-a-Ride service for the general public between 6:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- Seasonal service between White Rock and Bandelier National Monument 7 days per week from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 5:10 p.m. Frequency is every 30 minutes on weekdays and 20 minutes on weekends and holiday weeks.
- Afternoon Express service operates only on school days and is open to the general public. In addition to scheduled drop off locations, Afternoon Express buses drop riders off at other marked bus stops along each of the routes, with the exception of bus stops located on Trinity Drive.

Ridership Summary

- FY08 - 254,502 one-way trips
- FY09 - 403,342 one-way trips
- FY10 - 433,819 one-way trips
- FY11 - 449,729 one-way trips
- FY12 - 562,226 one-way trips
- FY13 - 550,808 one-way trips
- FY14 - 526,333 one-way trips
- FY15 - 538,613 one-way trips
- FY16 - 511,553 one-way trips
- FY17 - 456,983 one-way trips
- FY18 - 444,373 one-way trips
- FY19 - 451,793 one-way trips
- FY20 - I don't think you want to know...

Contractor Tasks

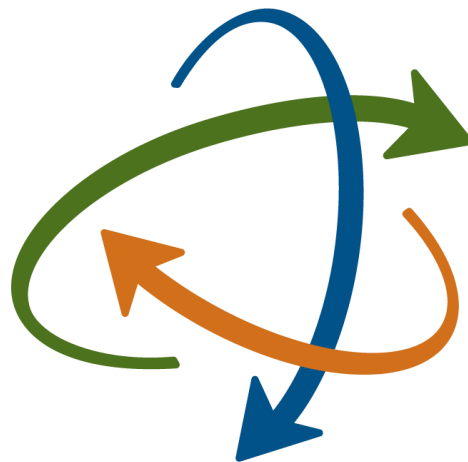
1. Review the existing Atomic City Transit Service Plan and discuss ACT's current operations with respect to the existing plan.
2. Explore transit demand through existing data and solicitation of community input including public meetings in Los Alamos and White Rock.
3. Conduct on-board passenger surveys to identify how the system can best serve riders.
4. Research Los Alamos National Lab intern needs for transportation and recommendations to meet those needs
5. Interview and obtain system input from Transit Manager, Supervisors, Lead Operators, Dispatchers and Transit Operators, Fleet Manager, Fleet Supervisors and Fleet Mechanics. Review Los Alamos County Downtown Master plan and recommendations with transportation.
6. Conduct analysis and evaluation of the existing service/routes in terms of improving efficiencies and meeting community demand. Review routes and connections, as well as schedules. In addition, develop recommendations for proposed microtransit applications within the county service area.

Contractor Tasks Cont.

7. Research and recommend coordination with the existing regional connectors to Espanola, Santa Fe, Albuquerque, and Taos, including connections via NCRTD, Park and Ride, and Rail Runner and Los Alamos National Lab – L.A. Taxi Service
8. Recommend and prioritize options for changes/improvements/additions to the existing service/routes, including options for pilot projects, that will improve efficiencies and safety and meet community demand.
9. Research and recommend the possible weekend service design connecting the Los Alamos Townsite and White Rock to support local and visitor travel and cost analysis for implementation.
10. Evaluate staffing requirements for various service and funding scenarios proposed in the Draft Five Year Transit Plan.
11. Evaluate the existing driver schedules in order to identify potential efficiencies and/or deficiencies with the regards to the commendations made in the Draft Five Year Transit Service Plan.
12. Evaluate the existing fleet (including number and size of vehicles) and develop Draft Purchase and Replacement Schedules corresponding to the difference service and funding scenarios proposed in the Draft Five Year Transit Service Plan.

Contractor Tasks Cont.

13. Evaluate the existing fleet with the goal of adding additional electric powered vehicles for use within the existing or proposed route structure. Develop a draft Service and Cost Analysis Report specific to using Electric Source Fuel Vehicles and provide existing or proposed routes that could use such vehicles.
14. Prepare a Draft Transit Study Results Report and Draft Five Year Transit Service Plan with an Executive Summary, include scalable scenario options based on various service levels and available funding.
15. Develop and include a corresponding Draft Financial Plan for Operating and Capital Costs, with funding source breakout for each of the possible service and funding scenario in the Draft Five Year Transit Service Plan.
16. Present the Draft Transit Study Results Report and corresponding Draft Financial Plan to the T-Board for comment and suggested revisions before finalizing and presenting the Transit Study for consideration and approval by Council.



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Questions?



Green Boxing Bike Lanes



Green boxes approaching intersections & crossing intersections



Flashing crosswalk & buffered bike lane

