



Transit Commission

MINUTES 31

**Monday, 10 December 2012
1:00 pm**

Andrew S. Haydon Hall

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- Notes:**
1. *Please note that any written or verbal submissions (including your name but excluding personal contact information) will form part of the public record and be made available to City Council and the public.*
 2. *Underlining indicates a new or amended recommendation approved by Committee.*

Present: **Councillor D. Deans (Chair)**
Councillor K. Egli (Vice-Chair)
Councillors: S. Blais, R. Bloess, S. Qadri, T. Tierney, M. Wilkinson
Public Members: B. Crew, E. Rahn

Absent: **Councillors: S. Desroches**
Public Members: J. Ferrabee, C. Reporter

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes 30 – 21 November 2012

CONFIRMED

PRESENTATIONS

1. CANADIAN URBAN TRANSIT ASSOCIATION (CUTA) - INDIVIDUAL LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Chair Deans, joined by John Manconi, General Manager of Transit Services, presented CUTA awards for Heroism and Excellence, respectively, to Ghislaine Bélair and Barby Clement.

2. CHAIR'S UPDATE

Chair Deans provided brief updates on the following:

- The winner of the Ottawa Light Rail Transit Project (OLRT) contract, Rideau Transit Group, pending Council approval; and, milestones associated with OC Transpo's involvement in the OLRT project
- The success of the 2012 OC Transpo/Loblaw Annual Christmas Food Drive
- The success of OC Transpo's 2012 'Movember' campaign (to raise funds and awareness in support of men's health issues and specifically prostate cancer research).

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3. UPDATE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER, TRANSIT SERVICES

John Manconi, General Manager, Transit Services provided a brief update in response to Commission's direction to staff, at its meeting on 18 January 2012, that staff report back with respect to identifying which Federal departments have been contacted and what their response has been to introduce apps to their Blackberries. Mr. Manconi indicated that staff met with representatives from both the federal government and Research in Motion (RIM) and that with the release of OC Transpo's open data they are satisfied with the web-based applications that are now available to them, and no further action is required.

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REFERRALS

4. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS - OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL (OAG) - 2011 ANNUAL REPORT AND DETAILED AUDIT REPORTS
ACS2012-OAG BVG-0003 CITY WIDE

*This item was referred from the Audit Sub-Committee meeting of
29 November 2012*

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That Transit Commission receive public comments with respect to the following Auditor General's reports (2011 Audit Reports), as referred by the Audit Sub-Committee at its meeting of 29 November 2012, for subsequent consideration and approval of the audit recommendations by Council on 19 December 2012:

- **OC Transpo Scheduling Process for Bus Operators;**
- **OC Transpo Communication of Cancelled Bus Trips.**

Chair Deans explained that, per the City's Procedure By-law, questions and deliberation on the audits would happen at Council, and Commission would only hear delegations on the matter at this meeting. She advised that since the public Commissioners would not have the opportunity otherwise to participate in discussion on the audits they would be invited to attend that Council meeting on 19 November 2012.

Craig Watson, President, Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 279, had registered to speak but was satisfied with Commission's intent to receive and submit the report to Council without further discussion.

The Commission received the following correspondence on this matter, a copy of which is held on file:

- Email dated 10 December 2012 from Michel Haddad.

RECEIVED and REFERRED to Council

POSTPONEMENTS AND DEFERRALS

5. REENGAGEMENT OF THE JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON INTERPROVINCIAL TRANSIT ISSUES
ACS2012-CMR-OTC-0014 CITY WIDE

This item was deferred from the 21 November 2012 Transit Commission meeting

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That the Transit Commission:

1. **consult with the Société de transport de l'Outaouais (STO) to re-engage the Joint Consultative Committee with representation from Ottawa and Gatineau; and**
2. **approve that the Chair of the Transit Commission solicit interest from members of the Transit Commission to ascertain membership on the Joint Consultative Committee.**

WITHDRAWN

Commissioner Bloess withdrew his original recommendation in favour of the following motion from Vice-Chair Egli.

Motion OTC 31/1

Moved by Commissioner K. Egli:

WHEREAS discussions between the Société de transport de l'Outaouais (STO) and OC Transpo regarding re-establishing the Joint Consultative Committee on Interprovincial Transit Issue have resulted in both parties recommending a different approach that would result in STO presentations to the Transit Commission being part of the public discussion and vice versa; and

WHEREAS information meetings with the senior management at STO and OC Transpo have been reinstated to discuss technical and operational issues that arise; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff work with STO to plan topic-specific presentations to each governing body (the Transit Commission for the City of Ottawa) on initiatives of mutual interest and where there is the potential for impact on transit service on both sides of the river.

CARRIED

INQUIRIES

Commissioner Bloess raised the following Inquiry:

“When was the last review of the ‘Telebus’ system undertaken? And, what are the impediments to running a ‘Telebus Service’ on certain low volume routes in light of the advances in communication technology?”

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Committee Coordinator

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