



Agenda

Cowlitz Transit Authority

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Wednesday, March 8, 2023

4:00 PM

HYBRID MEETING
Longview Council Chambers
1525 Broadway St, Longview

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with RCW Chapter 42.30, the Cowlitz Transit Authority will conduct a Regular Board Meeting on Wednesday, March 8, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the Longview City Hall Council Chamber, 1525 Broadway St, Longview, WA. This meeting is also available by Zoom.

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Written comments may be submitted up to forty-eight (48) hours in advance via email at customerservice@rctransit.org.

Next meeting

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

4:00 p.m. – Regular Board Meeting

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **FLAG SALUTE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
5. **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 8, 2023 MEETING**
23-000924 February 8, 2023 CTA Board Meeting Minutes
6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
23-000925 2023 January Cowlitz County Transit Authority Treasurer's Report
23-000926 2023 January CTA Fund Balance Report
23-000927 Invoice #2023-04 - City of Longview \$531,340.00
7. **REPORTS**
23-000928 2023 Annual Fixed Route Ridership
23-000929 2023 February Daily Fixed Route Ridership
23-000930 2023 February Fixed Route Ridership per Hour
23-000931 2023 February Average Fixed Route Passengers per Trip
23-000933 2023 February LIFT Monthly Ridership
23-000934 Five Year Ridership Graph
8. **REPORT ON CONNECTING SERVICE IN CASTLE ROCK**
23-000951 **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**
In June 2022, the Cowlitz Transit Authority approved a pilot project, called the North Cowlitz Connector, consisting of four round trips per weekday from the Longview Transit Center to the Castle Rock Park & Ride, to meet Twin Transit's Purple Route from Centralia. On February 24, Twin Transit informed us of their intention to extend their route from Castle Rock to Kelso, beginning on March 6, 2023.

The attached report provides more detail and staff's considerations for responding to this change.

ATTACHMENT:
Memo – Report on Connecting Service in Castle Rock

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Information only; action requested in subsequent agenda item.
9. **ESTABLISH PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED SERVICE CHANGES**
23-000936 **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**
The Cowlitz Transit Authority bylaws state that the CTA is to hold a public hearing to specifically solicit public comment on any change in transit service routes amounting to

a change in excess of 20% of the total distance of any one route. Staff is proposing service changes that fit this definition based on customer feedback, an analysis of ridership data, and an external change in intercounty service. Proposed changes will be published for public comment on March 13, 2023.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Establish a public hearing to be held at the April 12, 2023 CTA Board Meeting to receive comments on the proposed service changes.

- 10. **MANAGER'S REPORT**
- 11. **MISCELLANEOUS**
- 12. **ADJOURNMENT**