



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

1200 N. Telegraph Road, Bldg. 12 East, Pontiac, MI 48341

Oakland County Transit Ad Hoc Committee

Brendan Johnson, Chair

February 27, 2026 at 10:00 AM

MINUTES

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Brendan Johnson called the meeting of the Oakland County Transit Ad Hoc Committee to order at 10:24 AM in Committee Room A 1200 N. Telegraph Road, 12E, Pontiac, MI 48341.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brendan Johnson, Philip Weipert, David Woodward (3)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: Michael Gingell, Marcia Gershenson, Angela Powell (3)

A quorum was not obtained. Chair Brendan Johnson proceeded with the Pledge of Allegiance and Communications.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Brendan Johnson led the Committee in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

7. Communications

- a. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - Quarterly Report — Local Transit Providers' July-September 2025**
- b. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - Quarterly Report - SMART April-June 2025**
- c. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - Quarterly Report — SMART July-September 2025**
- d. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - Community Transit Plan Progress Report**
- e. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - 2024 Access to Transit Project Status Report**

Eli Cooper, Manager Transit, and Dominic Pavone, Planner Associate, provided an update and gave a PowerPoint presentation on the attached Communications Items 7a, 7b, and 7c. Eli Cooper also provided an update on Communications Items 7d and 7e.

Committee recessed at 11:07 a.m.
Committee reconvened at 11:13 a.m.

A quorum was obtained at 11:13 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brendan Johnson, Angela Powell, Philip Weipert, David Woodward (4)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: Michael Gingell, Marcia Gershenson (2)

The attached Communications were received by the Committee.

4. Approval of Minutes

a. **Board of Commissioners - dated November 4, 2025**

b. **Board of Commissioners - dated February 19, 2026**

David Woodward moved **approval of the Minutes dated November 4, 2025 and February 19, 2026, as presented.** Seconded by Angela Powell.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (4-0-0)

Yes: Brendan Johnson, Angela Powell, Philip Weipert, David Woodward

No: None

Abstain: None

5. Approval of Agenda

Philip Weipert moved **approval of the agenda, as presented.** Seconded by Angela Powell.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (4-0-0)

Yes: Brendan Johnson, Angela Powell, Philip Weipert, David Woodward

No: None

Abstain: None

6. Public Comment

None.

8. Regular Agenda

a. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - 2026 Access to Transit Award Recommendations**

Proposed Board Action: approve the disbursement of Access to Transit Grant funds for the projects detailed in the attached Schedule B – Project Summaries and Grant Awards for an amount not to exceed \$1,108,980; further, approve the template Interlocal Agreement, which was developed with Corporation Counsel; further, authorize the Chair of the Board of Commissioners to sign the agreements.

David Woodward moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action**. Seconded by Philip Weipert.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (4-0-0)

Yes: Brendan Johnson, Angela Powell, Philip Weipert, David Woodward

No: None

Abstain: None

b. Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - Amendment 2026-1 of Public Transportation Agreement with North Oakland Transportation Authority (NOTA)

Proposed Board Action: approve Amendment 2026-1 to the Public Transportation Agreement between North Oakland Transportation Authority (NOTA) and Oakland County; amend Section 8 (Facility Expenditures) of Exhibit B with new subsection (f); further, authorize the Chair of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners to execute the Amendment on behalf of Oakland County.

c. Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - Amendment 2026-1 of Public Transportation Agreement with Rochester Hills-Oakland-Rochester Older Persons' Commission (OPC)

Proposed Board Action: approve Amendment 2026-1 to the Public Transportation Agreement between Rochester Hills-Oakland-Rochester Older Persons' Commission (OPC) and Oakland County; amend Section 8 (Facility Expenditures) of Exhibit B with new subsection (f); further, authorize the Chair of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners to execute the Amendment on behalf of Oakland County.

d. Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - Amendment 2026-1 of Public Transportation Agreement with Western Oakland Transportation Authority (WOTA)

Proposed Board Action: approve Amendment 2026-1 to the Public Transportation Agreement between Western Oakland Transportation Authority (WOTA) and Oakland County; amend Section 8 (Facility Expenditures) of Exhibit B with new subsection (f); further, authorize the Chair of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners to execute the Amendment on behalf of Oakland County.

e. Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - Amendment 2026-1 of Public Transportation Agreement with People's Express Inc. (PEX)

Proposed Board Action: approve Amendment 2026-1 to the Public Transportation Agreement between People's Express Inc. (PEX) and Oakland

County; amend Section 8 (Facility Expenditures) of Exhibit B with new subsection (f); further, authorize the Chair of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners to execute the Amendment on behalf of Oakland County.

Philip Weipert moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action for Regular Agenda Items 8b, 8c, 8d, and 8e.** Seconded by Angela Powell.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (4-0-0)

Yes: Brendan Johnson, Angela Powell, Philip Weipert, David Woodward

No: None

Abstain: None

f. Board of Commissioners - Future Meeting Schedule

The 2026 Oakland County Transit meetings are tentatively scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on April 30, June 11, August 13, and October 15, 2026.

9. Public Comment

Jordan Irving, Oakland County Ombudsman for SMART

10. Other Business/Adjournment

Commissioners' Comments

Speakers:

David Woodward

Brendan Johnson

The meeting adjourned at 12:16 PM.

NOTE: The foregoing minutes are subject to Committee approval.