

SPECIAL MASS TRANSIT DEPARTMENT BOARD MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
October 30, 2018

A meeting of the Mass Transit Department Board was called to order at approximately 12:26 p.m. with Dee Margo, Chairman, presiding. The other members present were: Peter Svarzbein, Alexandra Anello, Cassandra Hernandez, Sam Morgan, Michiel Noe, Claudia Ordaz Perez, Henry Rivera and Cissy Lizarraga. Absent: None.

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1. REQUEST TO EXCUSE ABSENT MASS TRANSIT DEPARTMENT BOARD MEMBERS

NO ACTION was taken on the item.

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2. RESOLUTION

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY OF EL PASO, MASS TRANSIT DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR
2019 BUDGET RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso Mass Transit department values voting as the most basic form of civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, communities across the State of Texas provide free or discounted rides on election days; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso Mass Transit Department finds that providing free bus services to citizens on general election days promotes transparent and consistent communication amongst all members of the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso Mass Transit Department wishes to update Schedule B attached to the Mass Transit Department Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Resolution to remove the “free” fare provision for the downtown circulator service; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso Mass Transit Department wishes to waive fares in celebration of the City’s Winterfest beginning on November 9, 2018 and ending January 6, 2019.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Section 1. That FY 2019 Schedule B, attached to the Mass Transit Department Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Resolution (the “**Budget Resolution**”) be amended to be replaced in its entirety with the attached Revised FY 2019 Schedule B, attached as Exhibit “A” to this resolution.

Section 2. That Section 29 of the Budget Resolution be amended in its entirety to read as follows:

29. That the City Manager, or his/her designee, be authorized to waive or reduce fares in Schedule B during FY 2019 for City-sponsored events such as, but not limited to, the national Dump the Pump Day, Dia de los Ninos, Ride Sun Metro to Vote, and Thanksgiving Day. In addition, the City Manager is authorized to waive fares as follows in celebration of Winterfest:

(a) Trolley Service: No Fares beginning on November 9, 2018 and ending January 6, 2019.

(b) Streetcar Service: No Fares on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday beginning on November 9, 2018 and ending on January 6, 2019. Monday through Thursday regular fare structure applies.

Section 3. Except as herein amended the Mass Transit Department Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Resolution as adopted on August 21, 2018, shall remain in full force and effect.

Motion made by Board Member Rivera, seconded by Board Member Ordaz Perez, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Morgan, Noe, Ordaz Perez, Rivera and Lizarraga
NAYS: None

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Motion made by Board Member Rivera, seconded by Board Member Ordaz Perez, and unanimously carried to adjourn this meeting at 12:46 p.m.

Approved as to content:

Jay Banasiak, Director