

# PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Association of Central Oklahoma Governments

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THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2026 | 11:00 A.M.

**ACOG OKLAHOMA BOARD ROOM**

## PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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1. Welcome and Introductions  
John Sharp, Deputy Director, ACOG
2. Review and Comment of the Quarterly Transit Coordination Meeting Minutes - December 9, 2025 ([Attachment 1](#)) *For review only.*
3. Items for Information Only:
  - a. Overview of Public Transit Advisory Committee: Ethan Mazzio, Transportation Planner III - Mobility
  - b. Report on Routine Services & Systems: Ethan Mazzio, Transportation Planner III - Mobility
  - c. Committee Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2026: Ethan Mazzio, Transportation Planner III - Mobility
  - d. Discussion of Agency Capacity & Short-Range Planning: Ethan Mazzio, Transportation Planner III - Mobility
4. New Business
5. Adjourn

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NEXT MEETING:

**TBD**

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# ATTACHMENT 1

## **SUBJECT:**

### **MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY TRANSIT COORDINATION MEETING**

## **DATE:**

DECEMBER 9, 2025

A regular Quarterly Transit Coordination meeting was convened on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, at the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) Board Room, 4205 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

#### **HOST**

John Sharp  
Jennifer Sebesta  
Ethan Mazzio  
Eric Pollard

#### **ENTITY**

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chip Nolen  
Stephanie Davis  
Ariel Carroll  
Jeffery Wheatley  
Candy Thompson  
Joshua Pitt  
Heather Wilson  
Andy Conyers  
Christy Batterson  
Hannah Nolen  
DeShawn Heusel  
Jason Huff  
Maxton Harris  
Eric Rose  
Olivia Hook

#### **ENTITY**

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Edmond Mobility Commission  
City of Norman  
City of Oklahoma City  
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# MINUTES

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

John Sharp called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

## 2. REVIEW OF THE MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

John Sharp requested a review of the September 9, 2025 minutes. There were not comments on the minutes.

## 3. REPORT FROM MEMBERS ON ROUTINE SERVICES & SYSTEMS

Members provided updates on services and other activities taking place within their transit agencies.

### COTPA

Staff are making progress on the MAPS 4 NE & S BRT project. An RFP for preliminary design and environmental work was released; recently had a meeting with FTA officials regarding the Capital Investment Grants program, hoping to receive early acceptance into the New Starts program, which would make current costs eligible for reimbursement.

Following the passage of the 2025 City of Oklahoma City bond package, COTPA is now working to establish a new 11-acre operations and maintenance facility which will expand system-wide fleet capacity.

The budget process for FY 2027 will carry through into April/May 2026; preliminary assessment of the future for Route 19, which serves eastern Oklahoma County, is currently unclear.

Recently awarded a contract to Kimley-Horn for its transit center feasibility study, which in coordination with its downtown master plan, will assess the feasibility of various downtown sites for future transit hub use.

Holding ongoing coordination meetings related to 2028 Olympic events in Oklahoma City; securing shuttle service to Will Rogers International Airport, the Heartland Flyer, and other core facets of the region's transportation infrastructure.

Implementing new software and hardware fleet-wide, including computer aided dispatch (CAD) and automated passenger counter (APC) systems.

### Edmond Citylink

City Council recently approved another 2-year extension with RATPDEV. Edmond's general fund and CIP sales tax renewal votes passed by upwards of a 5% margin. Staff expect a new bus to be delivered in mid-December. Ridership is holding steady despite seasonal ups and downs and construction on Danforth & Kelly.

Given Citylink has made a number of improvements since the last update of the EdmondShift mobility plan, including modifications to route alignment and software and hardware upgrades, the City is considering an update to the sections of the plan in the near future.

### City of Norman

With budget season starts soon, staff have been asked to review route 110 and consider enhancing service in FY 2027.

The City currently has 3 buses and 1 cutaway vehicle on order.

Staff expect to receive approval from Norman City Council to move forward with pantograph chargers awarded through ACOG.

Staff expect Norman City Council to approve the establishment of a new Norman Parking & Transit Authority at the December Council meeting.

Total ridership for October 2025 was 49,545 - 47,244 from fixed route services, and 2,077 for microtransit.

The City of Norman has finished repaving its transit center.

The City of Norman recently submitted a grant to TSET for an “EMBARK Well” program, which would provide transportation to seniors to wellness facilities like the YMCA.

### **City of Oklahoma City**

The City of Oklahoma City recently awarded a contract for a downtown master plan to Sasaki.

An RFP for the City’s Classen Boulevard Transit-Oriented Development grant has been referred to City Council for comments. Staff expect to begin the selection process in February/March 2026.

### **ODOT**

Staff are finalizing contracts with vendors on statewide bus procurement.

ODOT plans to begin an update to its statewide mobility (transit policy plan) in early 2026.

Staff recently received notice of award through the FTA Buses and Bus Facilities program. \$4.4 million was awarded for purchase of new buses on behalf of seven rural transit agencies.

## **4. CENTRAL OKLAHOMA LONG RANGE TRANSIT PLAN ACTION & IMPLEMENTATION ITEMS**

Ethan Mazzio led a discussion of key implementation items identified in the Central Oklahoma Long Range Transit Plan (COLRTP).

In response to feedback received by area city councils during the planning process, ACOG and transit agencies will be working to prioritize the development of the on-demand and paratransit elements of the COLRTP.

The following is a collection of action items identified for ACOG to initiate over the next two fiscal years:

- Establishment of transit working group & subcommittees
- Standardized Passenger Facility, Wayfinding, and Technology Design and Guidelines manual
- Regional workforce development assessment
- Regional transit speed & reliability study
- Sales tax funding gap analysis; public engagement & polling
- Wayfinding/branding audit of assets

## **5. OVERVIEW OF PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Ethan Mazzio provided an overview of a new ACOG standing committee to be established in 2026, following passage of the COLRTP by the ACOG MPO PC. ACOG has been working with the region's transit providers and key policymakers to establish a new ACOG standing committee, the Public Transit Advisory Committee, expected to hold its first meeting in March 2026. ACOG will continue to develop committee bylaws and a membership slate in the coming months.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**7. ADJOURN**

There being no further business, John Sharp adjourned the meeting at 2:52 p.m.