

**CITY OF FLAGSTAFF
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

To: The Honorable Mayor and Council
From: Margie Brown, City Clerk (779-7607; Ext. 7607)
Date: July 13, 2010
Meeting Date: July 27, 2010



TITLE: Consideration of Appointment/Delegation of Appointing Authority: Citizen member to the Transit Advisory Committee of Northern Arizona Intergovernmental Public Transit Authority (NAIPTA).

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- (1) Make one citizen appointment from the City of Flagstaff service area to the Transit Advisory Committee; or in the alternative
 - (2) Permanently delegate authority for the Flagstaff area citizen appointment to the two City Council NAIPTA Board member representatives.
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ACTION SUMMARY:

Alternative (1) allows the City Council to appoint the Flagstaff citizen to the NAIPTA Transit Advisory Committee.

Alternative (2) permanently delegates appointing authority to the two Councilmembers who sit on the NAIPTA Board.

DISCUSSION:**Background/History:**

The intergovernmental agreement signed by all participating agencies in NAIPTA provides that:

“11. Transit Advisory Committee.

- 11.1. Membership. The transit Advisory Committee (“TAC”) shall consist of the Coconino County Manager or designee; Yavapai County Administrator or designee; Cottonwood City manager or designee; Sedona City Manager of designee; Flagstaff City Manager or designee; Northern Arizona University Vice President of Administration or designee; and one citizen from each Service Area to be appointed by its governing body.
- 11.2. Terms of Office. Citizen members of the TAC shall serve for terms of three years each.
- 11.3. Responsibilities. The TAC shall: (i) serve an advisory role to the NAIPTA Board; (ii) meet monthly or as required to discuss operational and intergovernmental issues; review financial plans; review funding

opportunities; review staffing, administration and capital plans; review ridership enhancement policies; and consider liability issues; (iii) consider and comment upon staff and consultant recommendations related to transit service; (iv) convene public meeting on behalf of NAIPTA transit services to gain citizen feedback and input; and (v) review and comment upon policies affecting NAIPTA."

Key Considerations:

- This Transit Advisory Committee provides review and input to the NAIPTA Board.
- While the director of the northern Arizona public transit system provides regular reports to the City Council, neither the Transit Advisory Committee nor the NAIPTA Board report to the City Council.
- Each NAIPTA member may choose how the citizen appointment is made.

Community Benefits and Considerations:

- The Transit Advisory Committee is an important component and tool in the maintenance and development of northern Arizona's public transit system.
- Public transit serves an important function in local communities by providing an affordable means of transportation for financially limited individuals, reducing the number of vehicles on public streets, and promoting environmentally desirable practices.

Community Involvement:

None in terms of selecting the appointment to the Transit Advisory Committee. However, the citizen appointment ensures citizen input in public transit.

Financial Implications:


None.

Options and Alternatives:

See recommended action.

Attachments/Exhibits:

None.



Department Head (*Acknowledgment that all reviews have been completed and required approvals initialed below.*)

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