



### **MINUTES**

### MetroPlan & Mountain Line

### **Coordinated Mobility Council**

Original Meeting Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> rescheduled for Friday, August 29th, 2025 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Hybrid Meeting – Updated Meeting Address: 216 Phoenix Ave. Flagstaff 86001

**Zoom Link**, passcode 123456. Please email LaReina Reyes <u>Ireyes@mountainline.az.gov</u>, if you need Zoom log-in information.

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### 1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 10:02am by Jamie Martinez

### 2. Welcome by Jamie Martinez, Chair

Welcoming remarks by Jamie Martinez

### 3. Safety Moment

LaReina Reyes provided a safety moment on Emergency Readiness

### 4. Roll call and introductions

Jamie Martinez, LaReina Reyes, David Wessel, Mandia Gonzales, Doug Arnett, Marga Gamas, Russ Randall, Jason Snead, Lisa Connor, Rachael Simukonda, Tod Morris

### 5. Call to the public

The public is invited to speak on any item or any area of concern that is within the jurisdiction of the MetroPlan/Mountain Line Coordinated Mobility Council. The Council is prohibited by the Open Meeting law from discussing, considering, or acting on items raised during the call to

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the public, but may direct the staff to place an item on a future agenda. Individuals are limited to a five-minute presentation.

No public comment was provided.

### 6. Minutes from previous meeting

Review and approval of minutes from May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, quarterly Coordinated Mobility Council meeting.

<u>Motion</u>: Russ Randall motioned to approve May 23, 2025, meeting minutes. Seconded by Marga Gamas. With adjusted amendments. Unanimously approved.

### 7. Agency Spotlight (Moved to item 7)

Presented by Doug Arnett with Quality Connections
This presentation focused on the history of Quality Connection with an emphasis on the residential and day programs to support development of life-ling skills and employment training. Employment services department that helps folks learn basic skills to find a fulfilling job.

Social Enterprise Programs:

- Evergreen Academy Preschool
- QC Office
- Express Transit serving the area of Page and surrounding communities

Tod Morris of NACOG noted that they are working with Express Transit to solidify a 5-year transit plan.

### 8. Inclusion and Adaptive Living Commission Update

Update by Inclusion and Adaptive Living Commission members or liaisons Rachel Simukonda provided an update on the Inclusion and Adaptive Living Commission. In June the commission identified ADA issues related to sidewalks and snow removal in terms of Code Compliance. An ADA transition plan is being sought by the Commission to act as a legal document to conduct city-wide ADA audits.

The commission has provided comments on the Regional Plan 2045

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The Commission is also working with City staff on developing the methodology for a more inclusive snow removal program.

The Commission meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday from 11-1. These are hybrid meetings, and all are welcome to attend.

### 9. **MetroPlan Planning Update**

Presentation by MetroPlan update on Safe Streets Masterplan and West Route 66

Dave Wessel provided a presentation and update to the Safe Streets Master Plan (SSMP), a regional safety plan that is forthcoming – this included an overview of the goals of the project, consultant team overview, and areas for future participation.

Mandia Gonzales provided a presentation on W. Route Operational Assessment (OA) and the Project Advisory Group (PAG) recommendation for a fiscally constrained option. This included project background, project recommendations, and next steps.

### 10. Mountain Line Service Frequency and Expansion/5310 Update

LaReina Reyes presentation on the current status of the program. This program is on a 2-year grant cycle. Awards from the current cycle are expected to be distributed in October 2025.

LaReina provided updates to service enhancement:

- Route 2 Permanent loop along Gemini
- Route 5 Frequency increase (30 min service)
- Route 8 New service along W. Route 66
- Route 4 & 14 Moved stops from Milton to Beulah Blvd roundabout

### 11. 2025 Coordinated Plan Increase Mobility Awareness

LaReina Reyes presented an update to the Coordinated Plan report card. The strategies included:

- Increase Mobility Awareness due to poor infrastructure (a 2025-2026 focus area for the CMC)
- Improve snow plowing methodology (this has been taken on by the city and the Inclusion and Adaptive Living Commission)

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Vehicle sharing amongst 5310 recipients (found to be non-viable)

### 12. WAV Subcommittee Update

LaReina Reyes presented an updated Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle (WAV) subcommittee. Mountain line is happy to announce that through the efforts of the WAV they have released a request for proposals to provide same day services to paratransit customers. While this procurement doesn't equate to more WAV services, by moving ondemand transit to other services, this should expand Mountain Line existing WAV services.

### 13. Upcoming trainings

None.

### 14. News and updates from CMC members

An opportunity to report on any projects or work that may be of interest to the group.

Russ Randall informed the group of the Community of Practice Plan meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 3:00. Please contact Russ for more information.

LaReina Reyes reminded the group of the October 4<sup>th</sup> Northern Arizona Disability Resource Fair. <a href="https://legacy.nau.edu/ihd/resourcefair/">https://legacy.nau.edu/ihd/resourcefair/</a> Mountain Line will be attending this event.

### 15. Future agenda items

None requested.

### 16. Adjournment

Jamie Martinez adjourned the meeting at 11:57 am

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