

1 **TRANSIT COMMITTEE**

2
3 Public Agency Center
4 West Bend, WI

July 17, 2006
9:00 a.m.

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6 Present: Lawrence S. Hoffman, Paul A. Tuchscherer, Rick Gundrum, and Roy C. Justman.

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8 Excused: Joan A. Russell.

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10 Also present: Linda Olson, Office on Aging Director; James Christenson, Gary Turtenwald,
11 Riteway, Inc.; Michelle Wagner, PMSI; Steve Johnson and Sandy Ziehr, Johnson Bus; and
12 Karen J. Rupnow, Deputy County Clerk.

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14 Mr. Hoffman called the meeting to order and read the Affidavit of Posting.

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16 **MINUTES**

17 Moved by Mr. Justman, seconded by Mr. Gundrum to approve the minutes of June 19, 2006, as
18 presented. Motion carried.

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20 **UPDATE ON PARK AND RIDES IN WASHINGTON COUNTY**

21 Ms. Olson informed the Committee that an authorization letter from the DOT is required before
22 planning and design can begin on the Pioneer Road area park and ride. It is anticipated the DOT
23 will provide this letter by August 1, 2006. Two options are being looked at in regard to this
24 location. As a temporary park and ride site, we would like to use the vacant school on Pioneer
25 Road and are waiting for Germantown to provide a lease.

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27 Plans for the proposed park and ride to be located west of Home Depot in the City of West Bend
28 is moving forward. Once complete, this will replace the current location on Hwy 33 near Fleet
29 Farm.

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31 During the Washington County Fair, the Fair Park location will be relocated to Kerry Foods in
32 Jackson, and there will be space for approximately 25 vehicles.

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34 **CITY/COUNTY TAXI SERVICE PLANS AND OPTIONS**

35 Ms. Olson stated that she and Doug Johnson met with John Capelle of the City of West Bend to
36 discuss the possibility of merging the City of West Bend's Taxi service into the County's Shared
37 Ride Taxi program. If an agreement were made, the merger would not happen until at least 2007
38 so that no Federal money would be lost. Mr. Steve Johnson stated that a merger of these two
39 services could provide efficiencies in the clerical area and possibly also with drivers. They
40 would also approach the City of Hartford to see if there were any interest on the City's part to
41 discuss a possible merger with the County's Shared Ride Taxi program. Ms. Olson stated that
42 the DOT would need to be part of any merger discussions. Mr. Johnson suggested that a task
43 force be formed to study the options.

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45 Moved by Mr. Gundrum, seconded by Mr. Justman to endorse setting up a task force to review
46 the taxi situation. Motion carried.

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1 **WCCE REPORT**

2 Ms. Wagner distributed the schedules for the State Fair routes and stated the pick-up locations
3 will be the same as last year.

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5 A new stop for WCCE is planned near the G.E. Medical Center at Innovation Drive in
6 Milwaukee, however, it will not begin until the temporary park and ride is ready.

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8 Ms. Olson, Mr. Hoffman, and Ms. Wagner met with the UWWC Board of Commissioners to
9 discuss the Board of Commissioner’s interest in providing a possible connection route to UW-
10 Milwaukee.

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12 **SHARED RIDE TAXI REPORT**

13 Ms. Olson reported that everything is going very well. In regard to the Federal funding
14 application, there was no settlement on the Milwaukee County and Waukesha dispute, so we are
15 going forward using the old formula funds.

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17 Mr. Johnson reported that June was a very busy month and the taxi program is going well. The
18 transition went smooth, other than a computer program problem. The new Route Match software
19 program is still being worked on, so a new Microsoft Access program is being implemented for
20 the interim. The June figures will be available within approximately one week.

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22 Some of the vehicles needed work, and the major work is now done, but there remains a long
23 cosmetic list. The new signage will be on the vehicles soon.

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25 Ms. Ziehr stated they have received requests to begin the taxi service very early in the morning,
26 prior to the normal taxi program’s starting time. Ms. Olson will work with Johnson Bus on the
27 schedules to accommodate these requests.

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29 **DESIGNATION OF NEXT MEETING DATE**

30 The next meeting will be the 2007 budget review and will be held Friday, August 25, 2006, at
31 9:00 a.m.

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33 **ADJOURNMENT**

34 Moved by Mr. Justman, seconded by Mr. Gundrum to adjourn at 9:50 a.m. Motion carried.
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38 Brenda J. Jaszewski, County Clerk
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