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It's Time to Vote for New Bus Route Proposals! - Public Meetings Underway

ANCHORAGE – The Municipality of Anchorage's (MOA) Public Transportation Department (PTD) is holding a series of meetings that are focused on new route and project ideas for People Mover, AnchorRIDES, and RideShare. Participants will review proposed project ideas based on feedback heard during the first round of public meetings held in February. After reviewing the proposals or adding their new route ideas, participants will vote on their favorites to help determine which projects get adopted into the plan.

The Public Meeting dates are listed below:
- Monday, 5/13: 5:30 - 7:00pm – *West High School, Room C252 (CTE Wing)*
- Tuesday, 5/14: 5:30 - 7:00pm - *Eagle River Transit Center*
- Wednesday, 5/15: 10:00 – 11:30am – *Dimond Center Mall, 2nd Floor, Next to Habitat Housewares*
- Wednesday, 5/15: 5:30 – 7:00pm - *Muldoon Library*
- Thursday, 5/16: 11:30 - 1:00pm – *Fairview Community Center*
- Friday, 5/17: 10:00 – 11:30am - *Mountain View Library*

Two meetings have already been held at City Hall (5/9) and Ocean View Elementary (5/11).

This is the second round of public meetings for PTD's short-range transit planning effort called Transit on the Move. This plan will examine how the current transit system is operating and identify possible changes to; route alignments, schedules, service hours, and bus stops. Discussions will result in a list of future system adjustments ranked by priority. Recommendations will include suggestions for People Mover, AnchorRIDES, and RideShare.

Meeting in a Box
If someone cannot attend one of the meetings listed above, but would like to participate, they can contact PTD to reserve a Meeting in a Box! Boxes will contain all meeting materials and directions for conducting your own meeting in your home, school, church, business, or agency. More information is available upon request by calling 907-343-6543 or emailing transitplanning@muni.org.

Public meeting materials and comment opportunities are also available online. The public comment period is open from May 9 - June 9, 2019.

To learn more about the project, view upcoming meetings, participate online, or see the entire project timeline, visit www.peoplemover.org/TransitOnTheMove.

For more information, please contact Bart Rudolph at (907) 343-8490.

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About People Mover

People Mover is a division of the Municipality of Anchorage's Public Transportation Department (PTD) and is the largest public transit provider in the State of Alaska. People Mover offers safe, reliable and affordable transportation services and provides about 11,000 rides per weekday and its buses travel 2.1 million miles annually. Learn more about People Mover at www.peoplemover.org where you'll also find information about mTicket, People Mover's mobile ticketing app, and how to get bus arrival times via text messaging.

About AnchorRIDES

AnchorRIDES is a shared ride service that provides trips from origins to destinations by advanced reservations. Eligible riders include people with disabilities prevented from using People Mover routes, senior citizens (60+), and Medicaid recipients authorized for NEMT or HCB Waiver trips. The core service area covers up to ¾ mile from People Mover routes. The premium service areas cover most outlying areas in Anchorage and Eagle River. People Mover Travel Training is offered free of charge to individuals and groups.

About RideShare

RideShare provides carpool group subsidies and oversight of *COMMUTE with Enterprise*, hired to manage and operate carpooling services for the Anchorage commute area. A carpool is a group of five or more riders who work and travel at agreed upon times, days and locations. Carpool members receive a variety of benefits in one low, monthly rate plus fuel costs. To learn more about *COMMUTE with Enterprise* visit www.commutewithenterprise.com.