

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
AGENDA ITEM  
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

**DEPARTMENT:** SUN METRO  
**AGENDA DATE:** April 17, 2018  
**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** Jay Banasiak, Department of Mass Transit (Sun Metro)  
212-3301  
**DISTRICT (S) AFFECTED:** 1, 8

**STRATEGIC GOAL: NO. 7:** Enhance and Sustain El Paso's Infrastructure Network  
**SUBGOAL: 7.3** Enhance regional comprehensive transportation system.

**SUBJECT:**  
Management Update

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**  
Streetcar Transition Update

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**  
N/A

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**  
N/A

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**  
N/A

\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*Jay Banasiak*



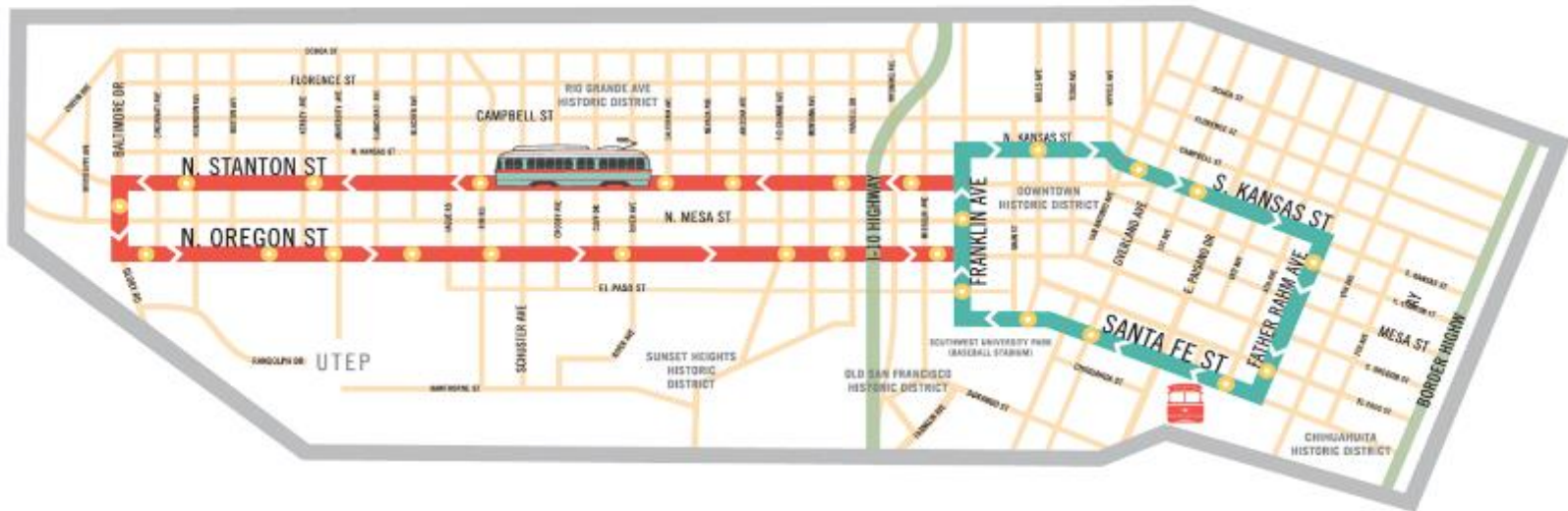
# El Paso Streetcar Transition Update

City Council Meeting  
Apr 17, 2018



# El Paso Streetcar Project

## EL PASO STREETCAR OFFICIAL ROUTE



-  PROPOSED STOP
-  EXISTING HIGHWAY
-  EXISTING STREET
-  UPTOWN LOOP
-  DOWNTOWN LOOP
-  MAINTENANCE STORAGE FACILITY



# Construction Update



# Coordination with FTA/TxDOT State Safety Oversight Agency

- SSOA performed their site visit Feb 27 - Mar 1 to conduct a System Readiness Review and an initial inspection of the streetcar system
  - SSOA will provide recommendations to enter pre-revenue service for safety certification
  - **Draft Report on System Readiness by SSOA Contractors due the week of Apr 16**
  - **SSOA scheduled report briefing in El Paso May 1**
- Sun Metro is preparing Standard Operating Procedures for review by the SSOA
- SSOA safety certification is expected Aug/Sep 2018, which is necessary to start revenue service



# CRRMA and COEP Transition Timelines

- CRRMA is responsible for Streetcar system construction
- Hand-off to the COEP will be incremental as infrastructure and PCC cars are certified operational
  - **Maintenance facility hand-off to COEP/Sun Metro the week of Apr 9**
  - Electrical and rail Infrastructure should be completed for hand-off early 2018
  - Revenue service projected to start in Nov 2018



# Other Streetcar Activities

- **Interviews for 3 mechanic technicians took place the week of Apr 2**
  - 2 mechanics will start Apr 23
  - 1 mechanic will start May 7
- **Streetcar testing, before burn-in begins, is on-going and includes:**
  - Brake and acceleration
  - Clearance and comfort



# Arrival of Streetcars



# PCC Car Timelines

- **1<sup>st</sup> PCC car, #1506, arrived Mar 19 and be certified for hand-off to COEP/Sun Metro in late Apr**
  - The PCC car must pass 200 miles of perfect continuous operations in El Paso to be accepted
- **2<sup>nd</sup> PCC car, #1512, scheduled to arrive at the end of Apr**
- PCC cars 3-6 will arrive one-by-one, between May and Oct 2018
  - Must pass 50 miles of perfect continuous operations to be accepted



# Outreach and Branding



# Streetcar Outreach

## GRASS ROOTS PARTICIPATION

### Present at:

- Cleveland Square Neighborhood Block Party
- Las Cruces Rail Road Museum
- ESD's Earth Day Celebration
- Neighborhood Leadership Academy
- La Fe Culture & Technology Center
- School Career Days
  - Alta Vista Elementary School
  - Loretto Academy Elementary
  - Pasodale Elementary
  - La Fe Preparatory School



# Streetcar Unveiling

## EVENT DETAILS

### Order of Events

- National Anthem & Pledge of Allegiance by Deborah Valdez
- Convocation by Sacred Heart Church Fr. Ron Gonzales
- Bowie High School Drumline
- Cathedral High School Jazz Band
- Fog effect before streetcar unveiling





# Streetcar Safety Outreach

- Major entities within the El Paso area and surrounding neighbors, what we like to call 'safety partners', are assisting us in our efforts to reach the masses.

## Safety Partners

- University of Texas
- El Paso Community College
- Las Palmas
- Providence Hospitals
- Catholic Diocese
- El Paso County
- Downtown Management District
- Region 19
- UMC
- Neighborhood Leadership Academy
- El Paso ISD
- Socorro ISD
- Ysleta ISD
- Canutillo ISD
- EP Airport (virtual wall)
- Clint ISD
- San Elizario ISD
- Tornillo ISD
- Anthony TX ISD
- Fort Bliss
- El Paso Airport
- La Fe
- Las Cruces Public Schools
- Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua\*
- Central Business Association\*
- Convention Visitors Bureau\*
- Gadsden ISD\*
- Fabens ISD\*
- Burnham Charter Schools\*
- City of Las Cruces\*
- Dona Ana County\*
- NMSU\*

\* Pending visits







