

# El Paso Streetcar Transition Update

City Council Meeting October 30, 2018



## **El Paso Streetcar Project**

#### EL PASO STREETCAR OFFICIAL ROUTE







# **Construction Update**



### Coordination with FTA/TxDOT State Safety Oversight Agency

- SSOA submitted their Safety and Security Readiness Review report on May 1 to EP Streetcar staff
- On last Thursday TxDOT submitted the remaining tasks for EP Streetcar to accomplish for approval to go into revenue service; all items will be completed by EPSC by this coming Wed for submittal



### CRRMA and COEP Transition Timelines

- CRRMA is responsible for Streetcar system construction and PCC remanufacturing
- Hand-off to the COEP will be incremental as infrastructure and PCC cars are certified operational
  - Maintenance and Storage Facility (MSF) handed off to COEP
  - Trackworks—handed off to COEP
  - Communications system—handed off to COEP
  - Overhead contact system—handed off to COEP
  - Traction power substations—handed off to COEP
  - Streetcar stop amenities: landscaping, loading platforms, etc. ongoing
  - PCC cars #1506, 1512 and #1504—handed off to COEP
  - PCC car #1514 and 1515—in progress



### Other Streetcar Activities

- 7 streetcar operators started Jun 4, and all passed their final classroom exams; all operators are now certified to operate the streetcar
- Second class of 8 streetcar operators started Sept 17, estimated time for operator certification is Nov 12
- PCC cars #1514 and #1515 is in testing phase, estimated burn-in testing to start this week
- Pre-revenue service continues with PCC cars #1506, #1512 and #1504, day and night, on both the downtown and uptown loops



### **Other Streetcar Activities**

- Pre-revenue service started Oct 9<sup>th</sup> for a minimum of 30 days, with at least one car operating at all proposed operational times
  - Sun: 9 am to 5 pm
  - Mon thru Thur: 7 am to 7 pm
  - Fri: 7 am to 1 am
  - Sat: 9 am to 1 am



# **Arrival of Streetcars**



### **PCC Car Timelines**

- 1<sup>st</sup> PCC car, #1506, arrived Mar 19
  - Burn-in complete
- 2<sup>nd</sup> PCC car, #1512, arrived Apr 29
  - Burn-in complete
- 3<sup>rd</sup> PCC car, #1504, arrived Jul 15
  - Burn-in complete
- 4<sup>th</sup> PCC car, #1514, arrived Sept 25
  - 50 mile burn-in required
- 5<sup>th</sup> PCC car, #1515, arrived Oct 14
  - 50 mile burn-in required
- PCC car 6 will arrive in Nov





# **Outreach and Branding**



### **Mithoff Burton** ADVERTISING UPDATE

Production Date for commercials:

- Fri, Oct 26, and Sat, Oct 27 were filming days
- Along iconic locations along the Uptown and Downtown loops

Message themes will include:

- It's Coming
- Ride the Streetcar
- Safety

Advertising start times:

- Billboards (outdoor)--last week
- Digital social media—this week
- Radio and TV ads—start this week



#### **Mithoff Burton** LAUNCH SCHEDULE FOR STREETCAR REVENUE SERVICE

- Tentative date for Dignitaries and invited guests is Friday, Nov 9 (contingent on TxDOT apporval to start revenue service)
- Location will be at Cleveland Square/Franklin Street
- Itinerary:
  - 11 am intro of PCC cars and speaking program
  - Noon (approx) begin service for dignitaries and invited guests
  - Service to public starts at 5 pm (tentative)

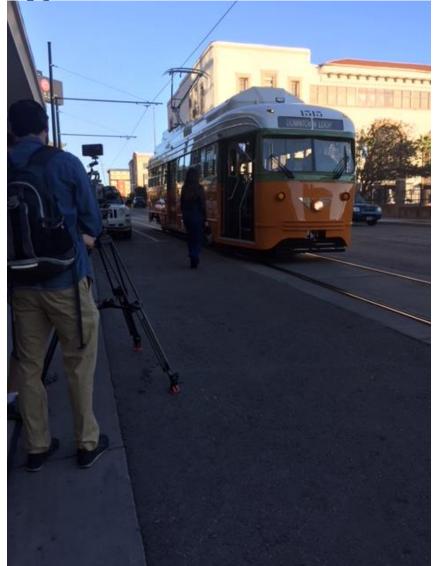


# Chalk the Block static display





# Filming of commercials begin























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