

# Public Notifications

May 2020



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# DDOT By the Numbers



## May 2020

### 77.7%

Weekday on-time performance

### 99.4%

AM pull out time percentage  
for buses in the city

### 99.8%

PM pull out time percentage  
for buses in the city

### 665,307

Total riders in May

### 1.05%

Percent of runs with incidents (monthly)



# Local Advisory Council



## Council's Objectives

The purpose of the Local Advisory Council (LAC) is to serve as the foundation for assessing, planning and strengthening public transportation services in the community and to provide recommendations and input to local public transportation providers and other governing entities.

There are a few things every LAC must have:

- Every transit system in Michigan must have an LAC.
- At least half of the LAC must be people representing seniors and people with disabilities.
- It must meet at least once a year.
- It must review and comment on the transit system's accessibility plan.



# LAC Membership List

<b>District One</b>	Andre Bryant
<b>District Two</b>	Celia Collins
<b>District Three</b>	James Jones
<b>District Four</b>	Tammy Black
<b>District Five</b>	Sabrina Simmons
<b>District Six</b>	Yvonne Roundtree
<b>District Seven</b>	Fayne Chennault
<b>DAAA</b>	Tamara Perrin and Anita Owen

## Board Membership

LAC Board Members are appointed by the DDOT Director. If you are interested in serving as a LAC Board Member, call **(313) 833-3655** or email **DDOT-ADA@detroitmi.gov**.

## Next Meeting

Tuesday, August 18th  
Location TBD  
10 a.m.

For more information, call **(313) 833-3655** or email **DDOT-ADA@detroitmi.gov**.





# Accessibility



## ADA

The DDOT make reasonable accommodations in order for individuals with disabilities to fully use transit services. All requests should be made in advance by submitting a completed Reasonable Accommodation Request form.

For more information on Reasonable Accommodations, visit **[detroitmi.gov](https://detroitmi.gov)**.

## Title VI

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 states that “No Person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.”

For more information on Title VI, visit **[detroitmi.gov](https://detroitmi.gov)**.



# LAC Bylaws

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## ARTICLE I: NAME AND OFFICES

**Section 1.1: Name.** The official name of the LAC is the "Detroit Department of Transportation Local Advisory Council."

**Section 1.2: Offices.** The principle offices of the LAC are located at the DDOT departmental headquarters, 1301 East Warren Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48207.

**Section 1.3: Definitions.** For the purpose of these Bylaws, the following terms have the meaning provided herein:

- A. "Older Adults" means persons who are sixty-five (65) years of age or older.
- B. "Persons with Disabilities" means persons who have disabilities, as set forth in Michigan Administrative Code R. 247.4101(m).
- C. "Mayor" means the Mayor of the City of Detroit.
- D. "City Council" means the City Council of the City of Detroit.

- E. "Detroit Area Agency on Aging" means the designated area agency on aging for the City of Detroit.

## ARTICLE II: AUTHORITY

**Section 2.1: Purpose.** The purpose of the DDOT LAC is:

- A. To review and comment upon DDOT Section 10E plans to provide demand actuated services for Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities prior to DDOT's submission of such plans for approval by the Michigan Department of Transportation ("MDOT").
- B. To review and comment upon DDOT's Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility plan and related documents.
- C. To review and advise DDOT on proposed changes to policies that pertain to or otherwise affect Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities prior to their adoption by DDOT.

- D. To advise DDOT on the impact of proposed changes to service levels and fares on Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities.

- E. To advise DDOT on transit related issues that may pertain to or otherwise affect Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities.

**Section 2.2: Authority.** The LAC is authorized to perform activities necessary to serve its purpose, as stated herein.

## ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP AND APPOINTMENT

**Section 3.1: Composition.** The LAC shall be composed of nine (9) Members, with at least one (1) Member being a resident of each of the seven (7) City Council Districts and two (2) at large Members, who shall represent the Detroit Area Agency on Aging. No fewer than half of the LAC membership must be composed of Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities. The remainder of the LAC membership must represent social services organizations or

governmental agencies that serve Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities.

**Section 3.2: Appointment.** Members are appointed by the DDOT Director, with the concurrence of the Mayor. The LAC may recommend prospective Members for consideration by the DDOT Director for possible appointment.

**Section 3.3: Terms.** Appointments are for a term of four (4) years. No Member may be appointed for more than two (2) consecutive complete terms. Members' terms shall be staggered, such that approximately half of the membership is appointed every two (2) years.

**Section 3.4: Removal.** A Member may be removed from the LAC by either the DDOT Director or the Executive Committee for cause. A Member's unexcused absence from any two (2) consecutive LAC meetings can constitute cause for removal.



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**Section 3.5: Vacancies.** Any vacancy on the LAC is filled by appointment of new Member in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 3.2 herein, who will serve for the remainder of the unexpired term of the vacant position. For the purposes of term limits, appointment to fill a vacancy for an unexpired term of two (2) years or less do not constitute a complete term.

**Section 3.6.** Compensation. As reasonable compensation for their costs associated with serving on the LAC, including costs for transportation to attend LAC meetings, Members may receive one (1) DDOT monthly ridership pass corresponding with each month of their LAC service.

## ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

**Section 4.1: Officers.** The Officers of the LAC consist of a Chairperson, a Vice-Chairperson, and a Secretary, each of whom must be a Member of the LAC. No single Member may serve in more than any one Officer position at any given time.

**Section 4.2. Term of Office.** The term of office for each of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary is two (2) years. A Member may serve in any given Office for no more than two (2) consecutive terms.

**Section 4.3: Election.** The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary will each be elected by the Members during the first LAC meeting following each biennial appointment of new Members. Each Member shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary, and all voting must be conducted by secret ballot. During the election, the Members will first elect the Chairperson, who shall be the Member receiving the highest number of votes cast. Upon election of the Chairperson, the Members shall elect the Vice-Chairperson, who shall be the Member, other than the Chairperson, receiving the highest number of votes cast. Upon election of the Vice-Chairperson, the Members shall elect the Secretary, who shall be the Member, other than the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson, receiving the highest number of votes

cast. If multiple Members each receive the highest number of votes for any given Officer position, a run-off election amongst only those Members having received the highest number of votes will be held.

**Section 4.4: Duties.** The duties of the Officers are:

The Chairperson is responsible for:

- Setting the schedule for LAC meetings;
- Establishing the agenda for each LAC meeting, upon consultation with the Vice-Chairperson;
- Chairing each LAC meeting;
- Appointing Members to LAC committees;
- Serving as liaison between the LAC and DDOT; and
- Representing the LAC at events and activities.

The Vice-Chairperson is responsible for:

- Consulting with the Chairperson on LAC meeting agendas; and
- Discharging the duties of the Chairperson in the event of the Chairperson's absence or inability to discharge its duties.

The Secretary is responsible for:

- Taking minutes of LAC meetings;
- Maintaining the official attendance record of Members at LAC meetings; and
- Maintaining documents, correspondence, and other records of the LAC.

## **Section 4.5: Executive Committee.**

The Executive Committee is composed of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson, and one (1) at-large Member. The at-large Member is appointed to the Executive Committee by the Chairperson. The purpose of the Executive Committee is to oversee the management of the LAC and to make recommendations to the LAC membership regarding issues within its authority.





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**Section 4.6: Ad Hoc Committees.** The Chairperson may at its discretion establish an ad hoc committee to study a specific issue pertinent to the purpose of the LAC and provide recommendations regarding that issue to the LAC membership. In establishing an ad hoc committee, the Chairperson shall identify (A) the purpose and goals of the committee, (B) the Members who are appointed to the committee, and (C) the period during which the committee is authorized to perform its goals and provide its recommendations.

**Section 4.7: Staff.** Upon request by the Chairperson and approval by the DDOT Director, the LAC may utilize staff assistance of DDOT personnel to the extent that may be necessary to execute activities within its authority.

## ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

**Section 5.1: Meetings.** The LAC must hold no fewer than four (4) meetings per year on a quarterly basis. Up to three (3) of these meetings may be held at the LAC's principal offices. At least one (1) meeting each year must be held at a location in the City to be determined by

the Chairperson and to be rotated among the City Council districts.

**Section 5.2: Quorum.** A quorum of Members is required for the conduct of business at meetings. A quorum must consist of no fewer than five (5) Members then serving.

**Section 5.3: Voting.** Unless otherwise stated herein, actions taken by the LAC are subject to approval by vote of the Members. Proposed actions may be approved only with the support of a majority of the Members present, but in no case fewer than four (4) Members.

**Section 5.4: Recommendations to DDOT.** In order to submit a formal recommendation to DDOT, the LAC shall adhere to the following procedure:

- A. The LAC shall approve submission of a proposed recommendation to the DDOT Director and Deputy Director
- B. As part of its submission, the LAC shall request DDOT to comment upon such proposed recommendation prior to the LAC's next meeting.

C. The LAC shall consider DDOT's comments in any action to approve its proposed recommendation or a modification of its proposed recommendation.

D. Upon approval of a formal recommendation, the LAC shall submit such recommendation to the DDOT Director and Deputy Director.

**Section 5.5: Minutes.** The LAC must keep minutes of its actions and other proceedings at its meetings, and upon approval by the LAC at the subsequent meeting, shall cause such minutes to be distributed to the Mayor and the City Council.

## ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS

**Section 6.1: Amendments.** These bylaws, and any Amendments hereto, may be approved only by the affirmative vote of a majority of all LAC Members then serving. Every amendment must identify the specific existing or new sections of these Bylaws that are subject to revision or inclusion by the amendment. Upon approval of an

amendment, the LAC shall cause such amendment to be distributed to the DDOT Director and Deputy Director.

**Section 6.2: Severability.** These bylaws and all amendments hereto are subject to Michigan Public Act 51 of 1951, the ordinances of the City of Detroit, among other state and local laws, regulations, and orders. If any article, section, or other provision of these bylaws, as amended, if found by an appropriate authority to be in violation of such applicable law or otherwise invalid, such provision shall be severed from these bylaws, the remainder of which shall continue in effect and shall be construed so as to enable the LAC to achieve its purpose as stated herein.

Originally Adopted: September 2015  
Revised: September 2015



# LAC Meeting Minutes

**Date:**  
Tuesday, May 19, 2020

## LAC MEMBER ATTENDANCE

- District One - Andre Bryant - Absent
- District Two - Celia Collins - Present
- District Three - James Jones - Absent
- District Four – Tammy Black - Present
- District Five - Sabrina Simmons - Present
- District Six - Yvonne Roundtree - Present
- District Seven - Fayne Chennault - Present
- DAAA - Tamara Perrin - Present
- DAAA - Anita Owen - Excused

## CALL TO ORDER

Yvonne Roundtree, Chairperson,  
10 a.m.

## OPENING REMARKS/ CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

None.

**Note:** As a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the LAC Meeting was conducted virtually. There were 49 participants with all 9 LAC members participating. The logistics were cumbersome at times, but the meeting was conducted in a structured and professional manner.

## APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 18, 2020, MEETING MINUTES

Approved without revisions. Motion to Approve: Celia Collins. Second: Fayne Chennault. Approve unanimously.

## PRESENTATIONS

### Regional Coordinated Human Services Plan

Bill Schultz presented the plan and requested input from attendees to enhance it. Several comments were offered.

### Paratransit Scheduling App. Valerie Leflor, Feonix Mobility Rising.

- Summarized the app being developed to be implemented in July 2020.
- Detailed questions were asked to determine system integration and comprehensiveness.

## DDOT ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

**Chief of Transit Police – Ricky Brown**  
Chief Brown is monitoring/enforcing the wearing of masks and if trips are essential/necessary.

**Administration Manager – Josh Reid**  
Executive Manager of Administration  
Joshua Reid briefly outlined the changes that were made to MetroLift services to comply with COVID-19 guidelines.

### Assistant Director of Maintenance – Larry Luckett

Larry Luckett outline how buses are disinfected each day. His maintenance staff was hit hard by the coronavirus but the staff is returning to work.

### Assistant Director of Operations - Larry Smith

- Larry Smith discussed how Road Supervisors are managing service to meet the demands of the current COVID-19 guidelines.
- Plans are being made to expand service as the community reopens. Buses will allow 10 riders on the 40-foot buses and 15 riders on the 60-foot buses.

**Marketing Manager - Jennifer Frye**  
Jennifer Frye reported there is a Community Input Meeting on May 21, 2020.

### General Manager of Detroit MetroLift – Simone Lowe

Simone Lowe reported calls are being answered under 30 seconds. There are no phone line issues. There are 3 riders maximum per vehicle. Masks are required. Ridership is 60-70% of previous levels.

### Scheduling and Service Department – Geena Schofield

Geena Schofield reported that the Scheduling Department is developing a plan to transition service back to the old normal.

### Manager of Data and Reporting – Riki Yamakura

Riki Yamakura reported ridership has been between 110-130,000 rides over the last two months. He is tracking all the changes in fixed-line services so that replanning can be done well.



# LAC Meeting Minutes

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## Regulatory Compliance Officer, ADA – Don C. Lozen

Don Lozen reported the FTA and the Department of Justice have emphasized that there will be no erosion of ADA rights during the COVID-19 crisis. There are efforts to ensure DDOT's compliance with all ADA guidelines.

The new annunciator system is operational. Refinement of the Transit Point announcements is currently being worked on. He asked that the LAC reports all concerns regarding ADA compliance as issues arise.

## OLD BUSINESS

MetroLift vehicles fitting the needs of the rider-Simone Lowe stated that all MetroLift riders can ride in vehicles that accommodate their disability and needs.

## NEW BUSINESS

No new business to report.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Steve Handschu stated the volume on the new annunciator is very low. It will be checked out and findings will be presented at the next LAC meeting.
- Mr. Verse stated that DDOT has been broken but appears to be doing better.
- Anita Owen stated that radio station WDET has good information on COVID-19 and transportation issues that are pertinent to the ADA community.

## OTHER COMMENTS

- Pam King asked several clarifying questions regarding the regional transit app. and how it will be used.
- Jennifer Frye stated that the QLINE and People Mover are separate entities from DDOT and they have their own Public Service Plan.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 pm. by voice acclamation.

## NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is on August 18, 2020.

*Minutes Submitted By Regulatory Compliance Officer-ADA,  
Donald C. Lozen*





# DDOT Fares



## Regional Passes

The Dart Passes allow unlimited rides on DDOT and SMART buses and the QLINE streetcar.

	Full	Reduced*
4-Hour Dart Pass	\$2	\$0.50
24-Hour Dart Pass	\$5	\$2
7-Day Dart Pass	\$22	\$10
31-Day Dart Pass	\$70	\$29

## DDOT Passes

The DDOT Passes allow unlimited rides on DDOT buses.

	Full	Reduced*
7-Day DDOT Pass	\$17	\$8
31-Day DDOT Pass	\$50	\$17

### DDOT Student ID Card

Applies to students in grades 9-12 who do not have a school-issued ID.

**\$2**

