



**El Paso Transportation Authority (ETA) Access Advisory Committee Meeting
Friday, October 31, 2025 - 01:00 P.M.**

Location: TEAMS Virtual Meeting

MINUTES PREPARED BY ANA Q. SANCHEZ, ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST SENIOR

Membership/Attendance

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Staff: John Andoh, Jesus Cerna, Reyna Mayorga, Ana Q. Sanchez

MINUTES

1. Open Meeting

The El Paso Transportation Authority (ETA) Access Advisory Committee Meeting was called to order at 1:07 p.m.

2. Public Comment

Annalisa Tucker, Volar CIL board and user of the ETA transportation system provided public comments. Ms. Tucker shared the challenges she has experienced obtaining transportation in Anthony, TX and her experience with ETA services.

3. Approval of the Minutes from July 25, 2025, Meeting, by AAC Chair, Molly Saenz.

MOTION: to approve Minutes from July 25,2025 meeting.

Motion by: Ryan Trujillo Seconded by: Kristi Lai

Members Voting Aye: Luis Chew, Kristi Lai, Yvette Lugo, Ryan Trujillo, Molly Saenz.

4. Receive a presentation regarding ETA operations and services by John Andoh, ETA Executive Director.

NO ACTION – Mr. John Andoh, ETA Executive Director, provided an overview of ETA’s services, including the new ETA ándale, the six fixed ETA paseo routes, the Gold Route (in collaboration with SCRTD), Vamonos Vanpool (with Enterprise), and ETA Access paratransit service. A proposal for adjusted rates was also discussed. No action was taken; the presentation was received for informational purposes.

5. Designation of a meeting date and time, by John Andoh, ETA Executive Director.

MOTION: To establish a regular meeting schedule of 2:00 p.m. on the last Friday of each month on a quarterly basis, with two additional in-person meetings in January and July 2026.

Motion by: Ryan Trujillo Seconded by: Yvette Lugo

Members Voting Aye: Luis Chew, Kristi Lai, Yvette Lugo, Ryan Trujillo, Molly Saenz.

6. Consider one application to fill for the general public category on the committee, by AAC Chair, Molly Saenz.

MOTION: To approve the application for Meagan Francis.

Motion by: Ryan Trujillo Seconded by: Kristi Lai

Members Voting Aye: Luis Chew, Kristi Lai, Yvette Lugo, Ryan Trujillo, Molly Saenz.

7. Receive a presentation on the performance of Transdev's performance, by Jesus Cerna, ETA Transit Planner and Sylvia Balcazar, Transdev General Manager.

NO ACTION – Jesus Cerna and Jennifer Garcia provided a presentation on ETA Access. The service currently has 148 clients, with 26 preventative maintenances completed. The staff includes 25 fixed-route drivers and 6 paratransit drivers, with a new driver class starting on September 29, 2025. Since October 1, 10 new paratransit approvals bring the total to 163 clients, and 3 on-demand clients have completed 25 trips. No action was taken; the presentation was received for informational purposes.

8. Receive a presentation on current studies, by Kelly Blume, PE, Texas A & M Transportation Institute.

NO ACTION – Kelly Blume provided a presentation on a recent general public demand response transit study aimed at addressing unmet transit needs in areas of El Paso County not currently served by ETA or Sun Metro. She discussed the study’s progress, and the next steps, and outlined the advantages and disadvantages of different preliminary scenarios, including the estimated capital costs for each. No action was taken; the presentation was received for informational purposes.

9. Around the Table, by AAC Chair, Molly Saenz.

NO ACTION – AAC Chair, Molly Saenz, led the Around the Table segment, providing an opportunity for committee members to share updates, ask questions, and discuss topics related to committee matters. No formal action was taken; the discussion was for informational purposes and encouraged open dialogue among committee members.

10. Determination of next meeting.

See item 5.

11. Adjournment.

MOTION: To adjourn meeting.

Motion by: Ryan Trujillo Seconded by: Yvette Lugo

Members Voting Aye: Luis Chew, Kristi Lai, Yvette Lugo, Ryan Trujillo, Molly Saenz.

Meeting adjourned at 3:11 pm.