



Meeting Notice

The next meeting of the Gunnison Valley Transportation Authority (RTA) will take place:

**May 5, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.
In the Commissioners' Room
located in the Gunnison County Courthouse,
200 East Virginia Avenue in Gunnison.**

For copies of the agenda and minutes of previous meetings, please go to www.gunnisonvalleyrta.org/meetings or call Scott Truex at 970-275-0111.

Two or more County Commissioners may be in attendance at this meeting.

Also, three or more RTA Board Members may attend the monthly Mayor/Manager meetings which are held at noon on the first Thursday of each month – call Scott Truex at 970-275-0111 for the next meeting location.



AGENDA – MAY 5, 2023
GUNNISON VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
GUNNISON COUNTY COURTHOUSE
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS’ ROOM – 8:00 A.M

8:00 A. INTRODUCTION

CONSENT AGENDA – motion & decision requested to approve the consent agenda

- B. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
- C. APPROVAL OF MARCH 24, 2023 MEETING MINUTES
- D. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S FINANCIAL REPORT
- E. CORRESPONDENCE
 - 1) City of Gunnison Letter RE transit center location request
 - 2) Gunnison County Letter of Support
 - 3) Mt. Express letter of support

- F. OLD BUSINESS
 - 1) Air program reports
 - 2) Bus program reports

REGULAR AGENDA

- 8:05 F. OLD BUSINESS - continued
 - 3) Airport update – Rick Lamport
 - 4) Tourism and Prosperity Partnership report – John Norton
 - 5) Bus service update – Scott Truex, Jon Galle & Tasha Cifuentes
 - 6) Update on Bus Purchase – Scott Truex
 - 7) 2022-23 winter air service recap – Bill Tomcich
 - 8) 2023 summer air service update – Bill Tomcich
 - 9) Airport survey – winter 22-23 – update – Bill Tomcich & Leia Morrison
 - 10) Bus Storage Facility Construction update – Scott Truex & Leia Morrison
 - 11) Gunnison Transit Center discussion – Scott Truex & Leia Morrison
 - 12) Capital purchases – Scott Truex, Leia Morrison, and Danny Bartelli – discussion
 - Bus stop shelter installations – update and discussion
 - Aprons at Gunnison maintenance facility – update and discussion

9:00 G. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

9:05 H. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF

9:10 I. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Review of contract with AEX, Inc. – decision regarding 12-month extension of contract with AEX for 2024 commuter bus service – Scott Truex – discussion and **possible motion & decision**
- 2) Request from the Whetstone Industrial Park to allow residential use on the lot next to our new bus storage facility (Lot #9) – Scott Truex – **motion & decision requested**
- 3) Request to consider moving the June meeting from June 16th to June 30th – **possible motion & decision requested**

9:30 J. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Next Meeting – June 16, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the Crested Butte Council Chambers

All times are approximate – the meeting may move more quickly or more slowly than indicated.

GUNNISON VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

MEETING MINUTES

March 24, 2023

Crested Butte Town Hall

A. INTRODUCTION

Janet Farmer called the meeting to order at 8:04 am

Board members in attendance: Janet Farmer, Boe Freeburn, Jason MacMillan, Liz Smith, Laura Puckett Daniels, Steve Morris

Also present Scott Truex, Leia Morrison, Bill Tomcich, Jon Galle, Jeff Moffat, Rick Lamport, Danny Bartelli, John Norton (ZOOM), and community members.

CONSENT AGENDA

B. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

C. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 17TH MEETING MINUTES

D. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. OLD BUSINESS

2) Air program reports

3) Bus program reports

Boe Freeburn ***moved to approve the consent agenda*** but to move agenda item #14 under old business to before item 1. Liz Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

F. OLD BUSINESS

3) Airport Update

Rick Lamport reported that the TSA checkpoint is going in after the ski season. JSX has had to wait on the ramp for quite a while before taxiing to the gate. The General Aviation (GA) ramp project continues. Hopefully, by mid-spring, the solar array will be up and running.

4) Tourism and Prosperity Partnership Association - John Norton reported that we are experiencing a slowdown in tourism due to national economic reasons. We are active in preparation for our summer flights. We are seeing very high ticket prices for the summer. All lodging properties have been alerted to the tourism slowdown.

5) Bus service update

Scott Truex reported that we again broke a record last month with a ridership of 38,200, which is up 40% from last year. We continue to improve the reporting of the environmental impact of the RTA bus system. On April 3rd, we will have 28 round trips for the spring schedule. We have been asked to participate in Crested Butte's Transportation planning efforts, and we have been

asked to do a retreat with the Crested Butte group on June 12th from 9-1. Our letters of support for the second Denver bus have been successfully received. Jon Galle said the only concern is the continuing problems with the CNG fueling station. He recommends that Gunnison County work winterize the system better this summer. Jon believes that the driver shortages should be remedied by next fall.

6) Update on Bus Purchase

Scott Truex reported that we have a fully executed grant agreement from CDOT. Those buses should be arriving in mid-April.

7) Update on Housing Purchase

Scott Truex reported that we closed on the two new Lazy K units. Liz Smith suggested that the RTA create a long-term policy for rentals via study and analysis.

8) 2022-23 winter air service update

Bill Tomcich reiterated the fact that we are beginning to experience a slowdown. Counting both the inbound and outbound numbers, January and February were record months since 2009. January had a 63.7% load factor (one point higher than the previous year., For February, the load factor was 77.8% overall load factor. For March, the passenger numbers and load factors will be down, which matches the trend across the industry. JSX is disappointed with its results this winter season. JSX experienced a 60% load factor for Dallas and a 45% load factor for Austin. MRG discussion took place. Rick Lampport reported that they hadn't lost any flights due to runway conditions, so he commended his staff.

9) 2023 Summer Air Service Update

Bill Tomcich reported serious concern over summer bookings because of the cost of tickets. United is committed to flying to Houston for summer weekend-only service. JSX has loaded four flights a week from Dallas. Of the 22 SCASD grants awarded in the first year, only two routes have been activated. There was a discussion regarding American Airlines versus JSX in the winter. The board had a discussion with Bill Tomcich on how the fare breakdowns work.

10) 2023 Airport survey

Bill Tomcich reported that 1,474 surveys had been completed but were light on the JSX flights. By route: 476 surveys from Dallas, 73 JSX, 652 United from Denver, and 374 United from Houston. We may have the final survey results by the June meeting.

11) Bus Storage Facility Construction Update

Scott Truex reported on the progress of the facility construction. We expect the facility to be operational in May or June, but we may want to wait until the fencing is up. Laura Puckett Daniels suggested having an Open House for the community once the facility is complete, and discussion ensued.

12) Gunnison Transit Center Discussion

Leia will be meeting with the Gunnison City Council on April 11th. GVRTA staff met with Gunnison Community Development Director Anton Sinkewich, and issues of parking and loss of the soccer field came up. Leia will also meet with Andie Ruggera before the April City Council Meeting. The RTA hopes to continue the discussion with the Gunnison City Council in May.

13) Capital purchases

Scott shared future capital purchases with the board.

14) Review of the RFQ process

Scott presented to the council how we would issue an RFQ for future contractor agreements.

G. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No one here for public comment

H. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

I. New Business

- 1) Authorization of the Board Chair to sign a Master Lease Agreement with AEX, Inc. to allow AEX, Inc. to lease Lazy K. Units 104A and 107A to their employees providing services for the GVRTA

Laura Puckett Daniels ***moved to authorize the Board Chair to sign letters of support.***

Boe Freeburn seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 am



March, 2023 - Financial Report:

This report was prepared for the GVRTA Board of Directors on April 29, 2023 with information provided by the County Finance Department and shows posted revenues through February, 2023 and expenditures through March, 2023.

Sales Tax Revenues:




Gunnison Valley Transportation Authority Sales Tax Revenues									
Month	2020	2021	2022	Budget 2023	Actual 2023	% vs Budget	% Change 22-23	Projected 2023	
Jan	\$ 313,013	\$ 365,491	\$ 445,739	\$ 452,000	\$ 471,040.98	4.2%	5.7%	\$ 471,041	
Feb	\$ 315,712	\$ 392,187	\$ 464,948	\$ 472,000	\$ 484,914.34	2.7%	4.3%	\$ 484,914	
Mar	\$ 245,671	\$ 460,733	\$ 559,798	\$ 568,000				\$ 559,798	
April	\$ 205,492	\$ 310,227	\$ 332,944	\$ 338,000				\$ 332,944	
May	\$ 233,927	\$ 347,074	\$ 386,830	\$ 393,000				\$ 386,830	
June	\$ 373,164	\$ 539,591	\$ 591,654	\$ 601,000				\$ 591,654	
July	\$ 509,375	\$ 635,020	\$ 694,821	\$ 705,000				\$ 694,821	
Aug	\$ 464,055	\$ 555,011	\$ 630,918	\$ 640,000				\$ 630,918	
Sept	\$ 472,333	\$ 546,497	\$ 576,404	\$ 555,000				\$ 576,404	
Oct	\$ 364,890	\$ 412,742	\$ 431,654	\$ 419,000				\$ 431,654	
Nov	\$ 296,457	\$ 359,587	\$ 381,165	\$ 365,000				\$ 381,165	
Dec	\$ 426,868	\$ 487,011	\$ 515,927	\$ 494,000				\$ 515,927	
Year-to-date	\$ 628,725	\$ 757,678	\$ 910,687	\$ 924,000	\$ 955,955.32	3.5%	5.0%		
Full Year	\$ 4,220,957	\$ 5,411,171	\$ 6,012,802	\$ 6,002,000		0.9%	0.8%	\$ 6,058,070	

Gunnison Valley Transportation Authority Financial Report - March, 2023				
	YTD Actual	2023 Adopted Budget	Revisions	2023 Projected
Distribution of Sales Tax Revenues among GVRTA funds	\$ 955,955.32	\$ 6,002,000	\$ 56,070	\$ 6,058,070
(Future months are projected flat to 2022)				
Sales Tax to General Fund	\$ 955,955.32	\$ 3,232,000	\$ 656,070	\$ 3,888,070
Sales Tax to Capital Fund		\$ 1,350,000	\$ -	\$ 1,350,000
Sales Tax to Air Command Fund		\$ 1,000,000	\$ (600,000)	\$ 400,000
Sales Tax to Senior Transportation Fund		\$ 420,000	\$ -	\$ 420,000
	\$ 955,955.32	\$ 6,002,000	\$ 56,070	\$ 6,058,070



GVRTA Fund Reports:

GVRTA General Fund Financial Report - March, 2023		YTD	2023		2023
		Actual	Adopted	Revisions	Projected
Beginning Fund Balance		\$ 1,541,925	\$ 1,415,484	\$ 126,441	\$ 1,541,925
Revenues					
Sales Tax Revenues		\$ 955,955.32	\$ 3,232,000	\$ 656,070	\$ 3,888,070
Sales Tax - Clerk		\$ 4,650.94	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000
Interest Charges		\$ 444.62	\$ 2,000	\$ (250)	\$ 1,750
Other Fines		\$ 1,007.58	\$ 10,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 12,000
Rental Income		\$ 15,510.00	\$ 80,000	\$ -	\$ 80,000
Earnings on Investments		\$ 14,293.61	\$ 25,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 34,000
5311 A & O FTA 5311 Admin. & Operating Grant			\$ 242,618	\$ -	\$ 242,618
Total Revenues		\$ 991,862.07	\$ 3,621,618	\$ 666,820	\$ 4,288,438
Expenditures:					
Postage			\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100
Supplies & Equipment Under \$4,000		\$ 45.74	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000
Building Repair and Maintenance		\$ 11,725.33	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000
Travel - Transportation			\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ 8,000
Travel - Meals		\$ 27.96	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 6,000
Travel - Lodging			\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 6,000
Legal Services		\$ 1,316.66	\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ 8,000
Contracted Temporary Help - Marcy & RAE			\$ 12,000	\$ -	\$ 12,000
Contract Svcs - SFK, GPS, & Bus Stop Maint.		\$ 15,823.64	\$ 62,000	\$ -	\$ 62,000
Management Services - TMS		\$ 31,200.00	\$ 93,600	\$ -	\$ 93,600
Meetings - Registrations			\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000
State Fees		\$ 2,363.33	\$ 34,000	\$ -	\$ 34,000
Treasurer's Fees		\$ 21,190.93	\$ 65,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 71,000
Late Night Taxi Donation			\$ 30,000	\$ (7,800)	\$ 22,200
Advertising, Notices, & Website		\$ 2,731.20	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000
Dues & Memberships		\$ 13,436.15	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000
Auditing			\$ 8,500	\$ -	\$ 8,500
Insurance & Bonds		\$ 15,996.28	\$ 18,000	\$ -	\$ 18,000
Utilities		\$ 208.14	\$ 14,400	\$ (2,400)	\$ 12,000
Investment Commissions/Fees			\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100
Transfer to County General Fund		\$ 3,129.75	\$ 12,660	\$ -	\$ 12,660
5311 - A Management Services - TMS		\$ 31,200.00	\$ 93,600	\$ -	\$ 93,600
5311 - o Diesel Fuel		\$ 43,013.39	\$ 125,000	\$ -	\$ 125,000
5311 - o CNG Fuel		\$ 91,257.77	\$ 415,000	\$ -	\$ 415,000
5311 - o Repair & Maintenance - Vehicles		\$ 137,056.80	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000
5311 - o Purchased Transportation Services		\$ 667,967.32	\$ 2,525,000	\$ -	\$ 2,525,000
Total Expenditures		\$ 1,089,690.39	\$ 4,112,960	\$ (4,200)	\$ 4,108,760
Ending General Fund Balance		\$ 1,444,096	\$ 924,142	\$ 797,461	\$ 1,721,603
Report shows posted revenues through February and expenditures through March.					
Report prepared by Scott Truex with information from the County Finance department on April 29, 2023.					

GVRTA Fund Reports:

 GVRTA Capital Reserve Fund Financial Report - March, 2023		YTD Actual	2023 Adopted Budget	Revisions	2023 Projected
Beginning Fund Balance		\$ 2,739,383	\$ 2,674,625	\$ 64,758	\$ 2,739,383
Revenues:					
Sales Tax Revenues			\$ 1,350,000	\$ -	\$ 1,350,000
Refund of Expenditures (Fading West Deposit)			\$ -	\$ 380,000	\$ 380,000
SB 267 State Capital Grant (facility)			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5339 - c Federal Capital Grant (bus)			\$ 1,236,800	\$ (2,720)	\$ 1,234,080
Total Revenues		\$ -	\$ 2,586,800	\$ 377,280	\$ 2,964,080
Expenditures:					
5339 - c Bus Purchase		\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,545,000	\$ (2,399)	\$ 1,542,601
SB 267 Storage Facility Construction		\$ 850,102.83	\$ 1,240,000	\$ 64,758	\$ 1,304,758
Housing Purchases		\$ 825,783.04	\$ 1,900,000	\$ 203,000	\$ 2,103,000
Capital Improvements		\$ 155,837.94	\$ 570,000	\$ -	\$ 570,000
Total Expenditures		\$ 1,834,223.81	\$ 5,255,000	\$ 265,359	\$ 5,520,359
Ending Fund Balance		\$ 905,159	\$ 6,425	\$ 176,679	\$ 183,104
Report shows posted revenues through February and expenditures through March.					
Report prepared by Scott Truex with information from the County Finance department on April 29, 2023.					
 GVRTA Air Command Fund Financial Report - March, 2023		YTD Actual	2023 Adopted Budget	Revisions	2023 Projected
Beginning Fund Balance		\$ 2,149,854	\$ 2,148,977	\$ 877	\$ 2,149,854
Revenues:					
Sales Tax Revenues		\$ -	\$ 1,000,000	\$ (600,000)	\$ 400,000
Refund from JSX for winter 22-23		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 103,500	\$ 103,500
SCASD Grant		\$ -	\$ 200,000	\$ (200,000)	\$ -
Total Revenues		\$ -	\$ 1,200,000	\$ (696,500)	\$ 503,500
Expenditures:					
Airline Guarantees - Winter			\$ 781,000	\$ (469,111)	\$ 311,889
Professional Services -Airplanners & RRC		\$ 34,911.94	\$ 102,000	\$ -	\$ 102,000
Payment to Airport for Airline Mechanic Subsidy			\$ 36,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 42,000
Airline Guarantees - Summer			\$ 700,000	\$ (700,000)	\$ -
Total Expenditures		\$ 34,911.94	\$ 1,619,000	\$ (1,163,111)	\$ 455,889
Ending Fund Balance		\$ 2,114,942	\$ 1,729,977	\$ 467,488	\$ 2,197,465
Report shows posted revenues through February and expenditures through March.					
Report prepared by Scott Truex with information from the County Finance department on April 29, 2023.					
 GVRTA Senior Transportation Fund Financial Report - March, 2023		YTD Actual	2023 Adopted Budget	Revisions	2023 Projected
Beginning Fund Balance		\$ 371,262	\$ 367,010	\$ 4,252	\$ 371,262
Revenues:					
Sales Tax Revenues		\$ -	\$ 420,000	\$ -	\$ 420,000
Total Revenues		\$ -	\$ 420,000	\$ -	\$ 420,000
Expenditures:					
Capital Expenses			\$ 120,000	\$ -	\$ 120,000
Contracted Services		\$ 60,400.37	\$ 355,000	\$ -	\$ 355,000
Total Expenditures		\$ 60,400.37	\$ 475,000	\$ -	\$ 475,000
Ending Fund Balance		\$ 310,862	\$ 312,010	\$ 4,252	\$ 316,262
Report shows posted revenues through February and expenditures through March.					
Report prepared by Scott Truex with information from the County Finance department on April 29, 2023.					

Summary of all Funds

GVRTA Total Revenues and Expenditures  Financial Report - March, 2023		YTD Actual	2023 Adopted Budget	Revisions	2023 Projected	
Beginning Fund Balance		\$ 6,802,424	\$ 6,606,096	\$ 196,328	\$ 6,802,424	
Revenues:		\$ 991,862	\$ 7,828,418	\$ 347,600	\$ 8,176,018	
Expenditures:		\$ 3,019,227	\$ 11,461,960	\$ (901,952)	\$ 10,560,008	
Ending Fund Balance		\$ 4,775,059	\$ 2,972,554	\$ 1,445,880	\$ 4,418,434	
Report shows posted revenues through February and expenditures through March. Report prepared by Scott Truex with information from the County Finance department on April 29, 2023.						
GVRTA Summary of all Funds  Financial Report - March, 2023		2023 Actual Beginning Balance	YTD Current Balances	2023 Adopted Budget Ending Balance	Revisions	2023 Projected Ending Balance
Fund Balances						
Unrestricted General Fund Balance		\$ 1,541,925	\$ 1,444,096	\$ 924,142	\$ 797,461	\$ 1,721,603
Capital Reserve Fund Balance		\$ 2,739,383	\$ 905,159	\$ 6,425	\$ 176,679	\$ 183,104
Air Command Fund Balance		\$ 2,149,854	\$ 2,114,942	\$ 1,729,977	\$ 467,488	\$ 2,197,465
Senior Transportation Fund Balance		\$ 371,262	\$ 310,862	\$ 312,010	\$ 4,252	\$ 316,262
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April 24, 2023

Gunnison City Council
201 W. Virginia Avenue
Gunnison, CO 81230

The Honorable Mayor Diego Plata and Members of the Gunnison City Council;

I am writing to thank you for hearing the GVRTA presentation from our Special Projects Manager Leia Morrison at your last Council meeting and to respond to the Gunnison City Staff's decision to recommend against changing the zoning to allow a transit center at 200 Spencer Avenue.

Neither Leia nor I are available to attend your meeting on April 25th, so I hope you will accept this letter as our response and input.

The GVRTA chose the Spencer Avenue site since we believe that the location is ideal as a connection between transit, the Western Colorado University campus and Gunnison's business district as well as the new higher density housing that has been constructed in the neighborhood.

We were hoping to partner with the City in an endeavor that we believe would have been a win-win for the City, the GVRTA, and the community at large.

I would like to make one last request for you to consider our preferred location for the transit center on the Southeast corner of the property. If this location is determined to be unacceptable, I would then request that you consider our alternate location for the building on the Southwest corner of the property. This alternate location wouldn't displace the soccer fields and would have less impact on the corner of Spencer and Colorado Avenues but would still allow a transit center to be built in the location adopted by our board and would also qualify for the grants that we have been pursuing.

However, if the City Council agrees with the staff recommendation and determines that the Community Center property is inappropriate for a transit center, we respect that decision and will withdraw our federal applications for funding for the project at this location. (We have been prioritized by Senator Hickenlooper for CDS funding of this project and we need to withdraw our request as soon as possible if we are not going to be able to complete the project as presented in our application.) We will continue to collaborate with you and Gunnison City staff to seek a solution that meets all of our needs.

Please let us know the direction that the Council would like us to pursue going forward. The GVRTA Board of Directors meets again on May 5th and we will discuss our next steps at that time.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Scott Truex,
Executive Director
Gunnison Valley RTA



April 3, 2023

Shoshana M. Lew
Colorado Department of Transportation
2829 W. Howard Pl.
Denver, CO 80204

RE: Submittal of Application for The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant

Dear Director Lew:

We are pleased to support Gunnison County's submittal of an application for the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant to advance public infrastructure in Gunnison County that will make multimodal access to jobs and recreation safer and more affordable for all users.

This project combines the needs of the community, environmental improvements, and economic benefits. The proposal will provide for the full construction of the pedestrian underpass and associated infrastructure that aligns with the goals of the county, state, and federal government for equity, sustainability, quality of life, economic impact, and environmental improvement. The connection of the Town of Crested Butte trail network with transit stops, intersection improvements, and the future Whetstone development will be transformative for the north valley. We view the construction of the pedestrian underpass as a critical part of any improvements.

We understand the scale of funds necessary for a project of this size and we hope that you can award funds to Gunnison County to construct this project that would be out of reach with only local financial resources.

Sincerely,

Scott Truex,
Executive Director
Gunnison Valley RTA



March 29, 2023

Ms. Amber Blake
 Director, Division of Transit and Rail
 Colorado Department of Transportation
 2829 West Howard Place
 Denver, CO 80204

Support for the Mountain Express Bus Storage, Maintenance, and Operations Facility for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339(b) Competitive Grant Program

Dear Ms. Amber Blake:

The Gunnison Valley Rural Transportation Authority (RTA) is writing to express support for the Mountain Express Bus Storage, Maintenance, and Operations Facility that has been submitted for funding consideration through the FTA's 5339(b) Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program. Since the inception of the RTA in 2002, RTA and the Mountain Express have worked together to provide fare free public transit in the Gunnison Valley.

Gunnison Valley RTA and the Mountain Express have had a longstanding relationship collaborating on this project. The Gunnison Valley RTA and the Mountain Express purchased and co-joined land to promote a cohesive transit campus in the Whetstone Industrial Park. The Gunnison Valley RTA is in the process of completing a project to build its portion of the campus and will open the facility for use in the summer of 2023. We have worked together as active partners to share costs related to site work including site readiness, NEPA analysis, utility installation and security.

Gunnison Valley RTA is dedicated to this effort as the service the Mountain Express provides helps RTA riders reach their final destinations. The combined transit campus will allow for continued collaboration between us and ensures the fleet of both entities will remain in a state of good repair. We believe completion of this project will help the Mountain Express provide safe, efficient, and reliable public transit to our region and will help support the future evolution and growth of the Mountain Express.

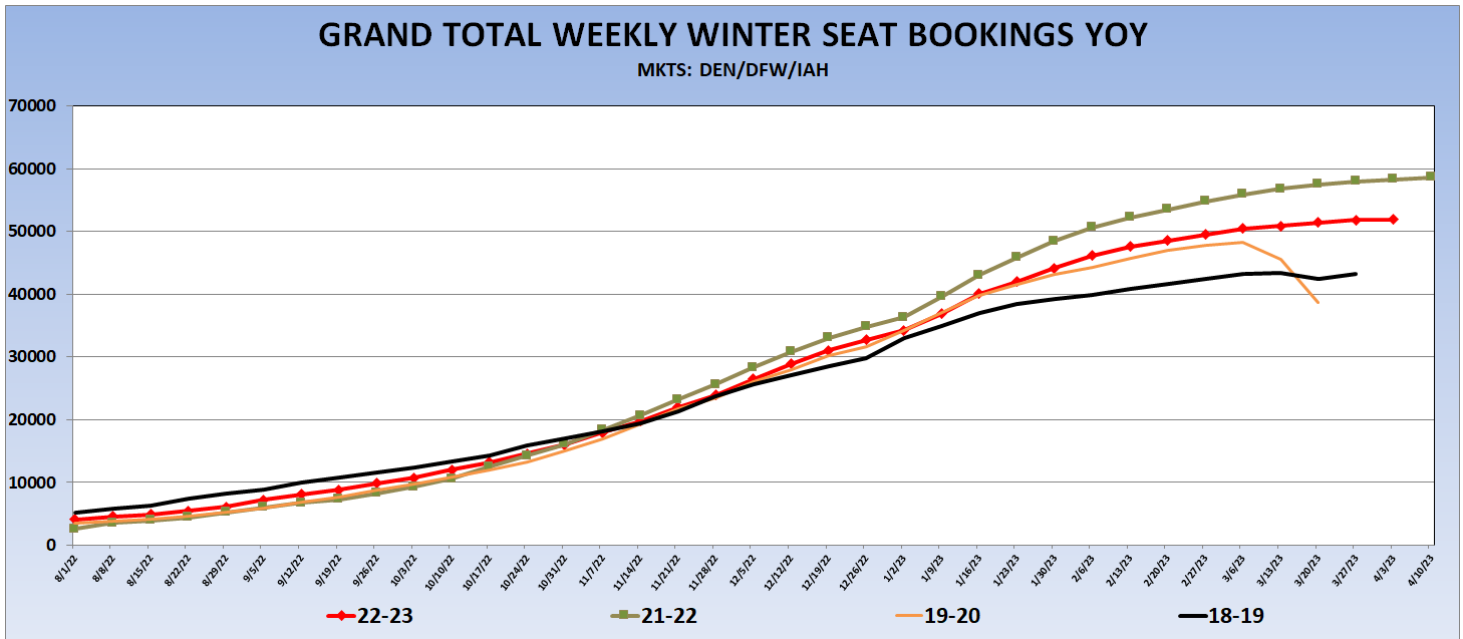
We acknowledge the specific roles and responsibilities fulfilled by us in this partnership and look forward to the implementation of this project

Sincerely,

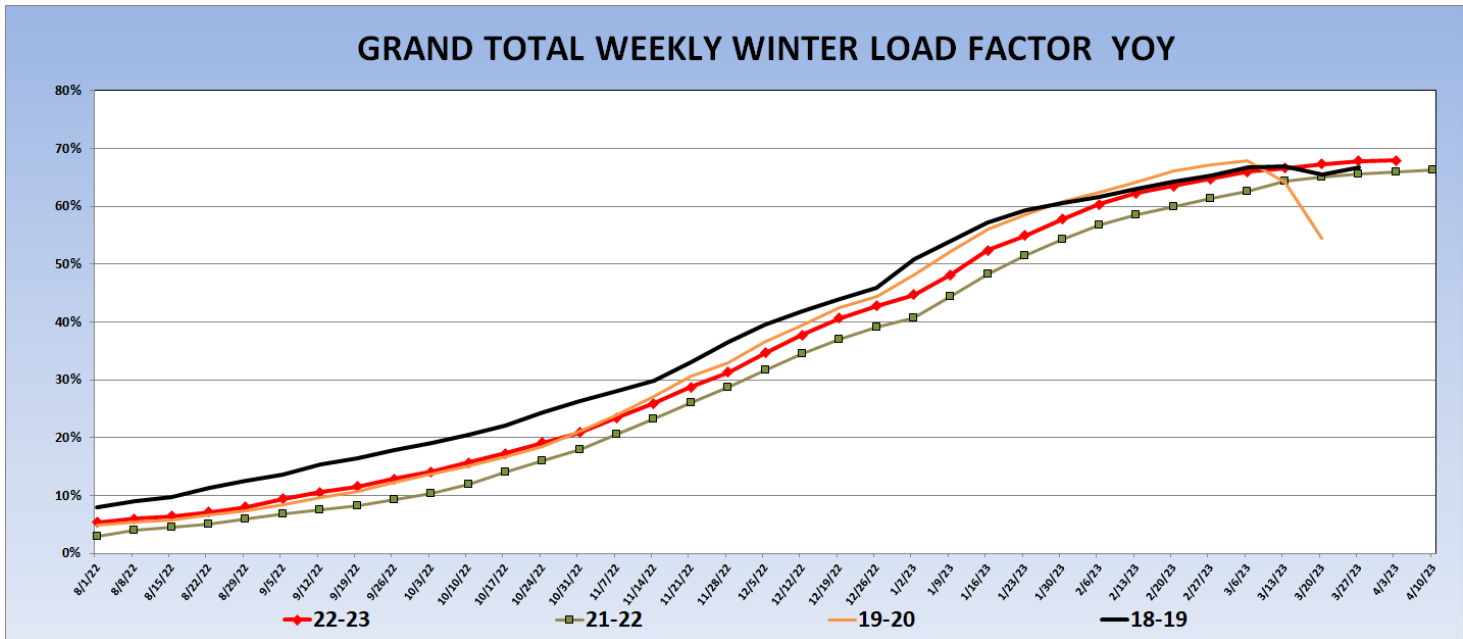
Scott A. Truex,
 Executive Director
 Gunnison Valley RTA

Air Program Reports – Winter, 22–23 – Final pending Audit:

All Flights – Total Seats Sold vs three of the last four years (excluding 20-21):

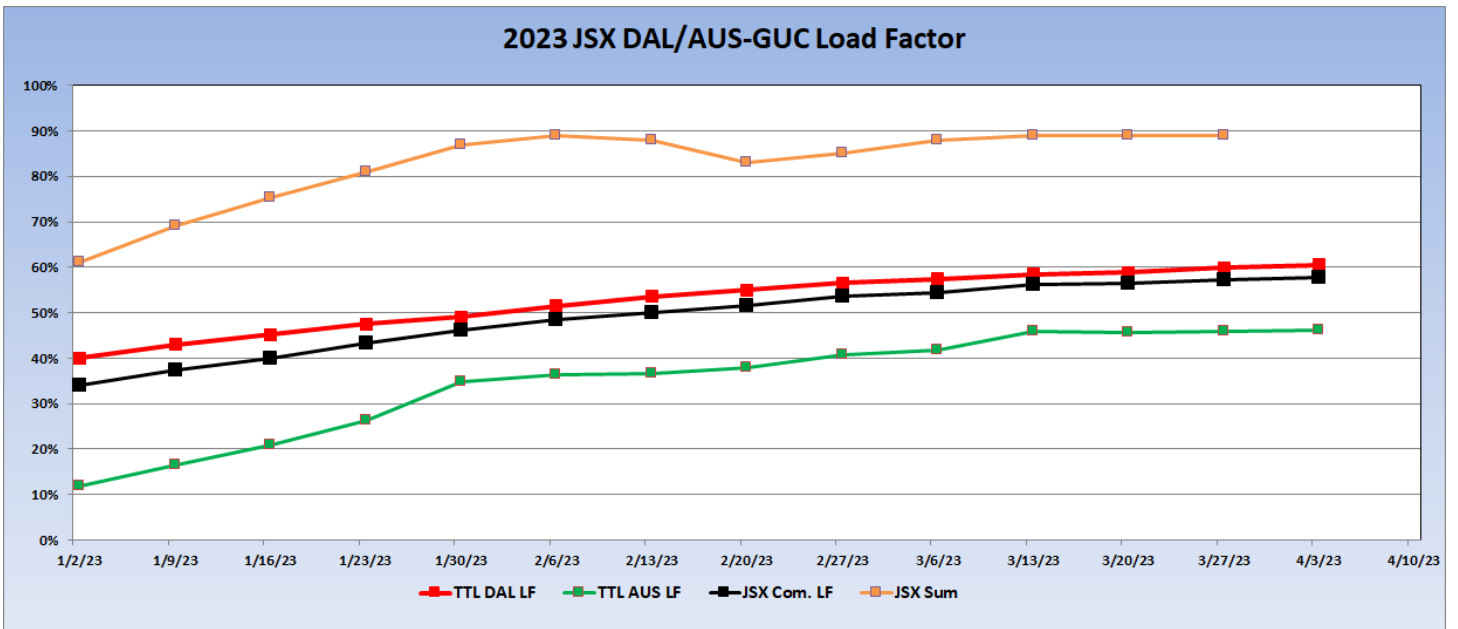
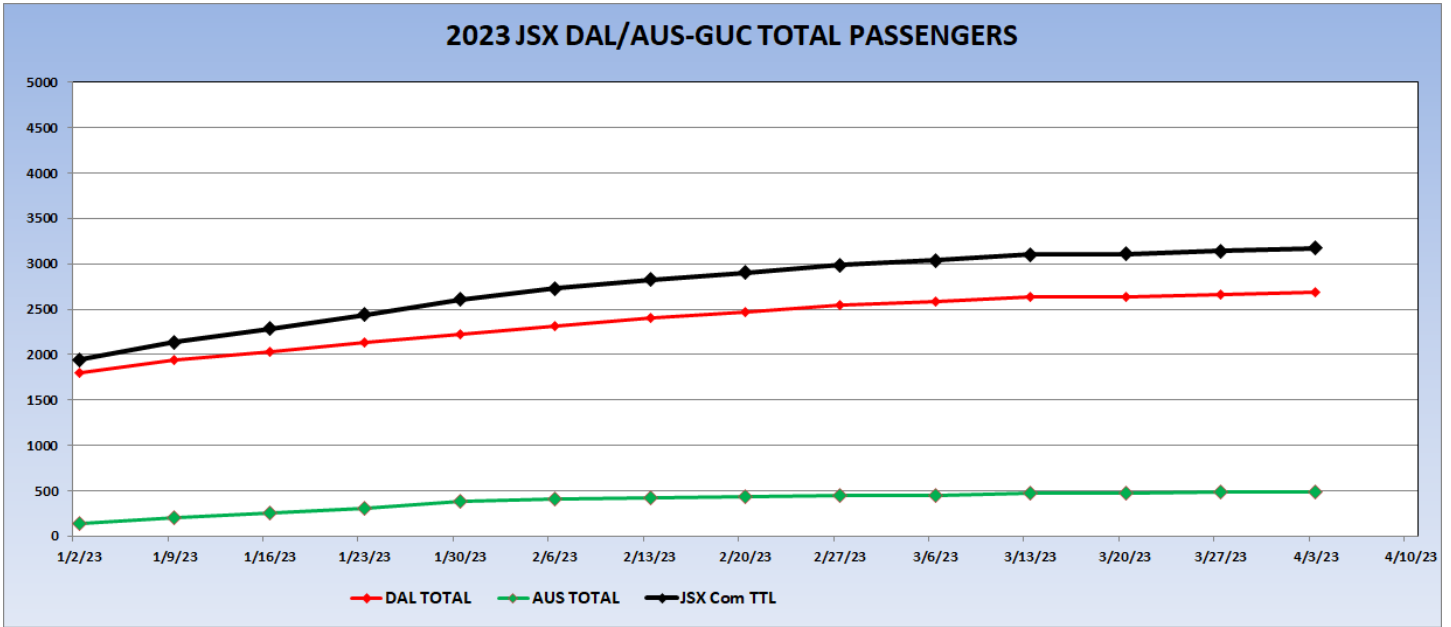


All Flights – Total Load Factor vs three of the last four years (excluding 20-21):



Air Program Reports – Winter, 22–23 - Final:

JSX Report:



Bus program reports – March, 2023

Ridership on the GVRTA Gunnison - Crested Butte Commuter Bus Route 2023										2022			YOY	
Month	Total Passengers	Bus Trips	Service Hours	Service Miles	Days	Riders Per Trip	Riders Per Day	Riders	Riders Per Trip	Riders Per Day	Total Riders Change	Percent Riders Change		
January	40,983	2,123	2,443	70,910	31	19.3	1,322.0	26,533	12.3	855.9	14,450	54.5%		
February	38,202	1,951	2,198	65,189	28	19.6	1,364.4	27,282	14.0	974.4	10,920	40.0%		
March	41,003	2,140	2,451	71,604	31	19.2	1,322.7	31,026	14.4	1,000.8	9,977	32.2%		
Total	120,188	6,214	7,092	207,703	90	19.3	1,335.4	84,841	13.5	942.7	35,347	41.7%		

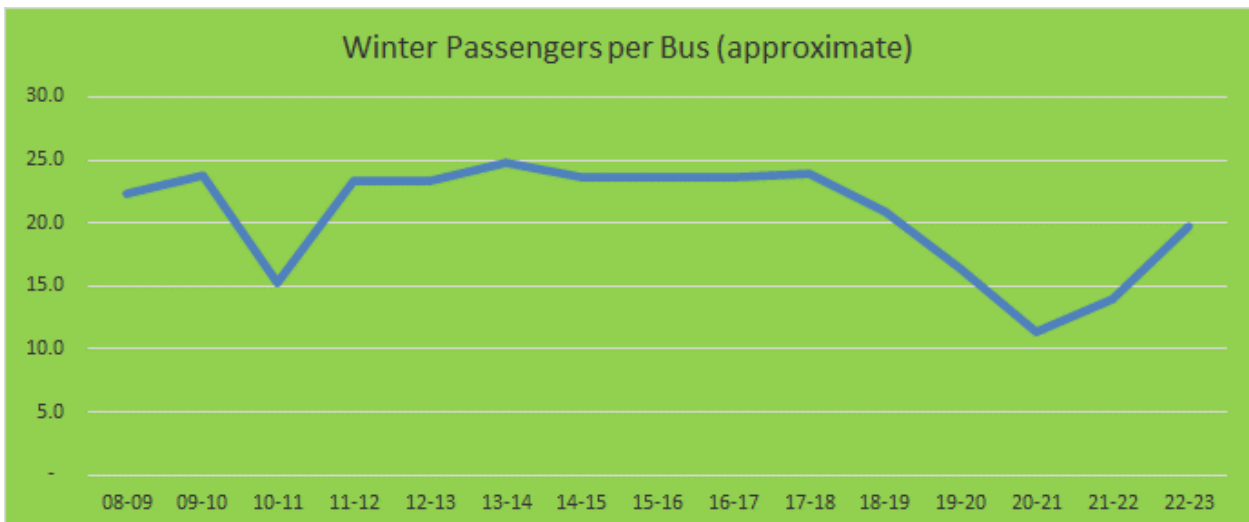
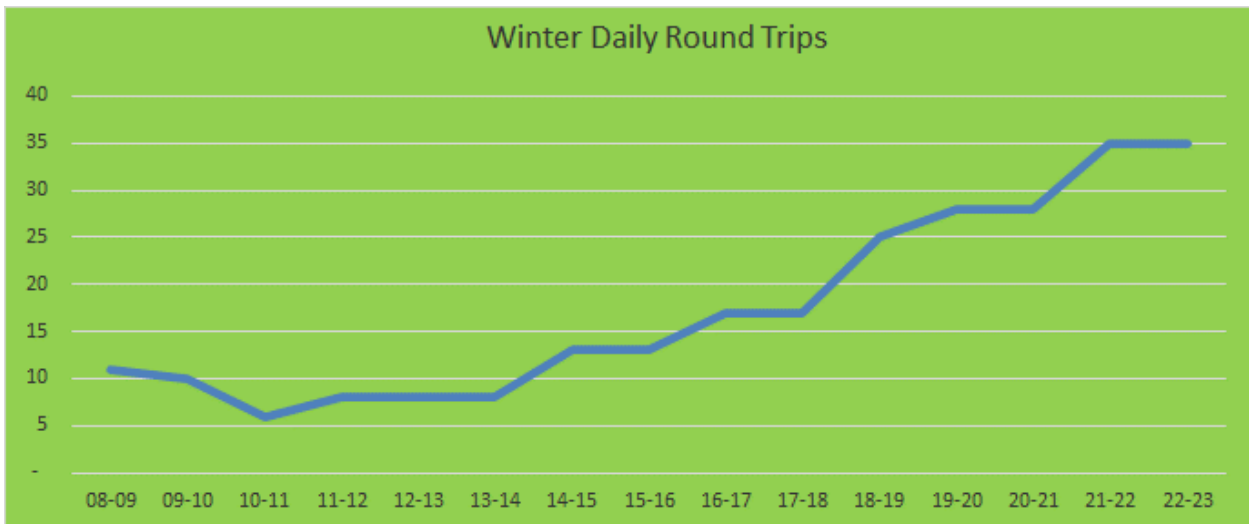
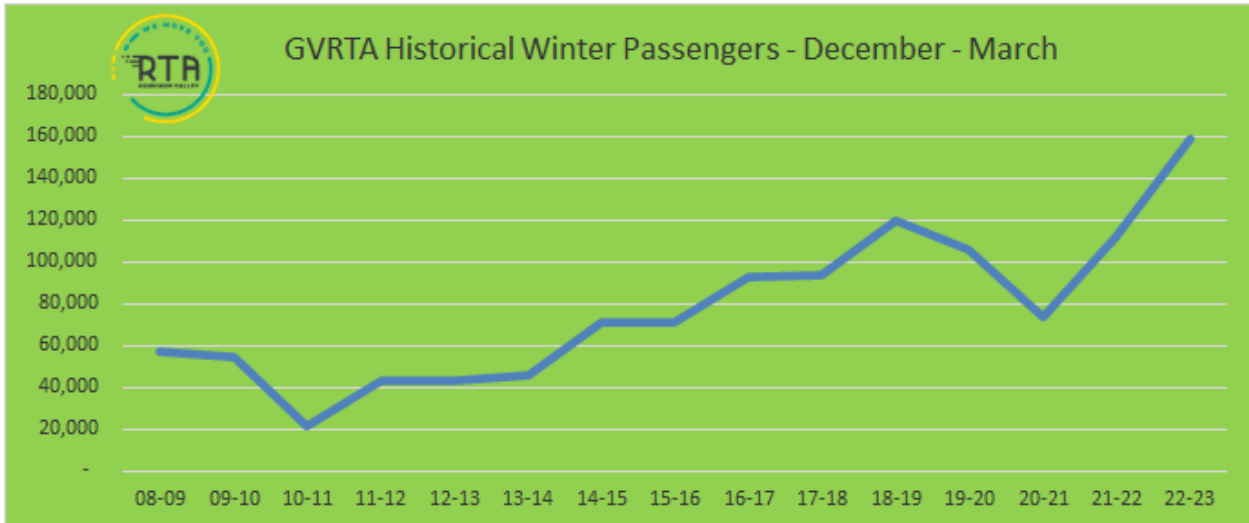
Passengers by Stop – Winter, 2022 - 2023:

2022-2023 Winter RTA Bus Boardings by Bus Stop																			Northbound		Total North-bound Passengers
Month	# of days	Gunnison Rec Center	Gunnison County Library	Gunnison Comm. Schools	11th & Virginia	Safeway Spruce Hwy50	Teller & Hwy50	WCU Colorado & Ohio	Denver & Hwy135	Spencer & Hwy135	Tall Texan	Ohio Creek	Almont	ON CB South	OFF CB South	Riverland	Brush Creek	Riverbend	CB 4-Way		
November	8	80	61	277	330	309	226	205	312	335	80	63	135	433	100	14	23	28	144	3,055	
December	31	1,016	502	1,890	1,858	2,323	2,748	1,572	1,691	1,964	558	562	999	2,197	547	75	97	87	900	21,039	
January	31	1,280	807	2,044	2,007	2,430	2,750	1,724	1,759	2,365	465	677	1,100	1,662	526	112	75	131	1,143	22,531	
February	28	1,204	742	1,799	1,677	2,121	2,287	1,599	1,708	2,012	430	742	1,062	2,032	507	84	98	159	1,306	21,062	
March	31	1,093	661	2,109	2,060	2,364	2,044	1,790	1,769	2,330	496	728	1,184	1,972	456	88	132	181	1,385	22,386	
April	2	57	40	122	122	162	102	165	101	164	35	67	49	183	10	8	4	7	49	1,437	
Total	131	4,730	2,813	8,241	8,054	9,709	#####	7,055	7,340	9,170	2,064	2,839	4,529	8,479	2,146	381	429	593	4,927	91,510	

2022-2023 Winter RTA Bus Boardings by Bus Stop													Southbound		Total South-bound Passengers
Month	# of days	Mt CB Transit Center	CB 4-Way	Riverbend	Brush Creek	Riverland	ON CB South	OFF CB South	Almont	Ohio Creek	Tall Texan	Gunnison Rec Center			
November	8	1,459	876	14	18	21	125	393	78	3	88	31	2,713		
December	31	10,309	5,339	81	110	91	600	1,882	355	35	374	332	17,626		
January	31	11,064	5,274	225	103	85	577	1,923	497	32	325	270	18,452		
February	28	9,768	5,441	83	104	90	588	2,045	387	42	365	272	17,140		
March	31	10,553	5,984	131	93	134	612	1,758	494	54	325	237	18,617		
April	2	731	375	28	9	-	21	155	26	1	34	6	1,231		
Total	131	#####	23,289	562	437	421	2,523	8,156	1,837	167	1,511	1,148	75,779		

CB South Ridership Winter 2022-23							
Month	# of days	Riders	Last Year Riders	Change	%	22-23 CB South Pass. / Per Day	22-23 Pass. / 1-Way Bus Trip
November	8	1,051	581	470	80.9%	131	2.19
December	31	5,226	4,596	630	13.7%	169	2.81
January	31	4,688	3,397	1,291	38.0%	151	2.52
February	28	5,172	3,696	1,476	39.9%	185	3.08
March	31	4,798	5,225	(427)	-8.2%	155	3
April	2	369	473	(104)	-22.0%	185	3
Total	131	#####	17,968	3,336	18.6%	163	2.71

Historical Comparison – GVRTA Winter Ridership



Winter 2022-23 GVRTA On-Time Performance

Southbound - Crested Butte 4-Way								
	# of Days	Planned # of Trips	Actual # of Trips	Percentage of Actual Trips				
				Zero to 5 minutes late	Zero to 10 minutes late	Zero to 15 minutes late	More than 15 minutes	Not Tracked
November	8	280	280	92.5%	96.1%	97.9%	1.4%	0.7%
December	31	1,085	1,078	90.7%	95.6%	97.2%	1.8%	1.0%
January	31	1,085	1,060	85.8%	94.1%	96.4%	3.1%	0.5%
February	28	980	976	91.8%	97.4%	99.0%	0.5%	0.5%
March	31	1,085	1,070	86.5%	92.3%	95.2%	2.5%	2.2%
April	2	70	68	92.6%	97.1%	98.5%	0.0%	1.5%
Total	131	4,585	4,532	88.9%	94.9%	97.0%	1.9%	1.1%

Northbound - Spencer and Hwy 135								
	# of Days	Planned # of Trips	Actual # of Trips	Percentage of Actual Trips				
				Zero to 5 minutes late	Zero to 10 minutes late	Zero to 15 minutes late	More than 15 minutes	Not Tracked
November	8	280	280	89.3%	93.6%	96.4%	1.1%	2.5%
December	31	1,085	1,078	87.7%	94.9%	97.2%	1.6%	1.2%
January	31	1,085	1,063	81.2%	91.9%	96.0%	2.4%	1.6%
February	28	980	975	87.4%	96.1%	98.3%	1.1%	0.6%
March	31	1,085	1,070	84.2%	93.4%	95.1%	2.8%	2.1%
April	2	70	69	87.0%	97.1%	98.6%	0.0%	1.4%
Total	131	4,585	4,535	85.4%	94.0%	96.6%	1.9%	1.5%

Average:	87.2%	94.5%	96.8%	1.9%	1.3%
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Late/Missed Runs & Incidents – March, 2023


3/1-3/31/2023			
Date	Late run	Missed Runs	Reason
1 Mar	N/A	5:15 PM	MECHANICAL ON 4:01 PM NB AT SAFEWAY/XLD 5:15 PM SB/SWITCHED BUSES
1 Mar	4:41 PM NB & 5:45 PM SB	N/A	GOTHIC RD CLOSED FOR ACCIDENT 1/2 HR LATE TO MT CB
2 Mar	4:45 PM SB & 5:01 PM NB	N/A	DELAYED BY AN ACCIDENT ALMONT ON SB, LATE ON ONE NB TOO
4 Mar	N/A	7:11 AM NB & 8:25 AM SB	NO NOTES,
5 Mar	12:51 PM NB	N/A	NOTE SAID LATE START- DON'T KNOW HOW LATE
8-Mar	N/A	6:56 AM NB & 8:10 AM SB	DRVR CALLED IN SICK
8-Mar	4:01 PM NB	N/A	NO NOTES-CARL STARTED AT CBS 4:35 PM
10-Mar	SEVERAL THROUGHOUT DAY	9:11 AM NB, 11:01 AM NB, 12:51 PM NB, 1:26 PM NB	SNOW DAY-MOST RUNS 10-30 MINS LATE// 4:45 PM SB WENT INTO CBS
10-Mar	SEVERAL THROUGHOUT DAY	2:41 PM NB, 2:56 PM NB, 3:26 PM NB, 4:41 PM NB	SNOW DAY, WEATHER & DRVR SHORTAGE
10-Mar	SEVERAL THROUGHOUT DAY	12:20 PM SB, 4:45 PM SB & 6:15 PM SB	SNOW DAY-2:26 PM NB STUCK IN ALMONT/3:30 PM SB STUCK AT MT CB
11-Mar	N/A	8:41 AM NB & 10:00 AM SB	SNOW DAY ALL AM BUSES RUNNING LATE 15MINS-30 MINS LATE IN AM
11-Mar	N/A	3:30 PM SB	9:30 AM STUCK CBS, 9:40 AM STUCK ALMONT
11-Mar	N/A	N/A	10:25 PM DIDN'T GO TO MT CB BECAUSE ROAD CONDITIONS, TURNED @ 4 WAY
12-Mar	N/A	9:11 AM NB, 11:01 AM NB, 12:20 PM SB	DRIVER SHORTAGE
12-Mar	N/A	12:51 PM NB, 1:26 PM NB, 2:41 PM NB	GOT STUCK ON HILL-HAD TO TOW 11:25 PM SB//ADA ON 7:01 PM NB
12-Mar	N/A	2:56 PM NB, 3:26 PM NB, 4:45 PM SB, 6:15 PM SB	DRIVER SHORTAGE
13-Mar	9:11 AM NB	N/A	30 MINS LATE-WAITING FOR BUS AT REC CTR TO SHOW UP
13-Mar	3:45 PM SB, 4:31 PM NB & 5:45 PM SB	N/A	15 MINS LATE-TRAFFIC //15 MINS LATE-POLICE-PAX DELAY AT TT STOP//15 MINS LATE FROM PREV RUN
14-Mar	5:15 PM SB	N/A	20 MINS LATE, HEAVY TRAFFIC
21-Mar	EVENING	N/A	SEVERAL BUSES DIDN'T GO TO MT CB BECAUSE ROAD CONDITIONS, TURNED @ 4 WAY
22 Mar	9:11 AM NB	10:30 AM SB, 12:01 PM NB & 1:25 PM SB	10 MINS LATE-HANDOFF/ STUCK ON GOTHIC & THEN STALLED ON 9:11 AM NB, MISSED 10:30 AM SB, 12:01 AM NB & 1:25 PM SB (DH PER JON?)
23 Mar	N/A	CBS ONLY ON 6:01 PM NB	11:15 AM SB// DRVR FORGOT TO GO TO CBS
28 Mar	N/A	N/A	DRVR MISSED A PAX AT TT 7:15 PM SB-WEARING BLACK, HANDS IN POCKETS
29 Mar	N/A	N/A	BROKE DOWN AT SLATE RVR 10:15 AM SB RUN-2 PAX PUT ON NEXT BUS, BACK IN SVC FOR 11:01 AM NB AT CBS
31 Mar	10:26 AM NB	N/A	TURNED @ AT 4 WAY-MISSED MT CB ON 7:40 AM SB & 11:45 AM SB-/20 MINS LATE ON 10:26 AM NB-TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIANS
31 Mar	AM SB, 10:15 AM SB, 10:30 AM SB & 10:45 AM	N/A	15 MINS LATE DUE TO ACCIDENT, 15 MINS LATE DUE TO ACCIDENT, ?? MINS LATE & 1/2 HR LATE DUE TO ACCIDENT ON 135
31 Mar	1:41 PM NB	N/A	HAD TO WAIT FOR BUS AT REC CTR / DRVR REPORTED UPSET, BELLIGERENT PAX ON 1:41 PM NB
31 Mar	11:25 PM SB??	N/A	HAD TO WAIT FOR MTN EXPRESS TO BRING PAX FROM TRANSIT CTR TO 4 WAY

GVRTA GHG Emissions Analysis														
GHG Emissions Produced and Reduced by the GVRTA					Kg of CO2 Emissions Created by GVRTA	CO2 Kg Emissions Created if all trips in Single Occupancy Vehicles (SOV)	GVRTA Total Kg of CO2 Emissions Reduction vs. SOV	Kg CO2 Red. per Pass.	Kg of NOx Emissions Created by GVRTA	NOx Kg Emissions Created if all trips in Single Occupancy Vehicles (SOV)	GVRTA Total Kg of NOx Emissions Reduction vs. SOV	Kg NOx Red. per Pass.	GVRTA Total KG of Methane Emissions Reduction	Kg Methane Reduct. per Pass.
2023	Passengers Carried	1-Way Bus Trips	RNG Used (GGE)	Diesel Used (gallons)										
January	40,983	2,123	11,923	2,996	109,493	529,769	420,276	10.255	146	7,988	7,842	0.191	23,694	0.578
February	38,202	1,951	11,018	3,389	107,500	493,820	386,320	10.113	163	7,446	7,283	0.191	21,896	0.573
March	41,003	2,140	13,495	2,103	110,812	530,027	419,216	10.224	108	7,991	7,884	0.192	26,816	0.654
April														
May														
June														
July														
August														
September														
October														
November														
December														
Total	120,188	6,214	36,436	8,489	327,805	1,553,616	1,225,811	10.199	416	23,425	23,008	0.191	72,406	0.602

Automobile emissions vs. GVRTA bus emissions:
 4.08 automobile trips create the same amount of CO2 as the average GVRTA bus trip.
 One car trip creates the same amount of NOx as 2.911 average GVRTA bus trips.
 The RTA averaged 19.3 passengers per bus in this time period.

RNG vs. Diesel:
 With 80% of our fleet powered by RNG, we produce 6,277 Kg less CO2 and 1,047 Kg less NOx emissions than if all were diesel.
 Note: The assumption is that our RNG powered buses (equipped with an EGR) produce .001035 Kg of NOx emissions per gallon of RNG used.
 RNG buses produce 97% less Particulate Matter (PM) as compared to diesel buses.

Notes for Calculations:
 Each one way trip by bus creates approximately 52.753 Kg of CO2 emissions and 0.0670 Kg of NOx emissions.
 Each one-way trip by automobile creates approximately 12.927 Kg of CO2 emissions and 0.1950 Kg of NOx emissions.



Notes & Assumptions:
 RNG = Renewable or Recaptured Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)
 GGE = Gasoline Gallon Equivalents (One GGE = 1.25 Therms of CNG)
 One GGE of RNG used creates approximately 6.625 Kg of CO2 emissions and .001035 Kg of NOx emissions.
 One Gallon of Diesel fuel used creates approximately 10.18 Kg of CO2 emissions and 0.0446 Kg of NOx emissions.
 A gasoline powered automobile traveling 32 miles creates approximately 12.927 Kg of CO2 and 0.195 Kg of NOx per trip (assuming average of 22 MPG.)
 The GVRTA purchases RNG credits which allows us to use methane from various sources such as landfills, wastewater treatment, food and animal waste as well as methane that otherwise would have been vented into the atmosphere.
 According to the UN, over a 20-year period, Methane released into the atmosphere without being used is 80 times more potent in terms of causing warming than carbon dioxide.
 Each GGE of CNG contains 1.9872 Kg of methane.
 By purchasing renewable methane credits, the GVRTA prevents the gas from being released into the atmosphere thereby reducing methane emissions.

2023 Miles per Bus:

Miles / Bus 2023	5311 2017-D	Local 2017-D	DOLA 2017-C	5339 2018-C	SB-228 2019-C	5339 2019-C	5339/VW 2020-C	FASTER 2021-C	5339 2023-C	5339 2023-C	AEX Buses	Total Bus Miles (odom.)	Total Revenue Miles
Bus #	#504	#505	#506	#503	#502	#501	#500	#507	#508	#509			
January	5,787	11,036	7,617	8,443	8,345	8,449	6,113	9,817	-	-	4,374	69,981	70,910
February	9,478	11,125	6,475	16,604	5,546	1,375	5,862	8,605			576	65,646	65,189
March	9,986	4,409	9,704	9,041	9,678	9,670	7,726	9,450			1,184	70,848	71,604
Total	25,251	26,570	23,796	34,088	23,569	19,494	19,701	27,872			6,134	206,475	207,703

2023 Repairs per Bus:

Repairs / Bus 2023	5311 2017-D	Local 2017-D	DOLA 2017-C	5339 2018-C	SB-228 2019-C	5339 2019-C	5339/VW 2020-C	FASTER 2021-C	5339 2023-C	5339 2023-C	Inventory & Fleet	Total
Bus #	#504	#505	#506	#503	#502	#501	#500	#507	#508	#509		
January	\$ 6,558	\$ 430	\$ 17,452	\$ 3,370	\$ 692	\$ 1,328	\$ 143	\$ 929			\$ 29,548	\$ 60,450
February	\$ 1,026	\$ 1,259	\$ 2,441	\$ 1,016	\$ 595	\$ 1,148	\$ 369	\$ 1,060			\$ 21,589	\$ 30,503
March	\$ 918	\$ 1,192	\$ 4,708	\$ -	\$ 4,780	\$ 60	\$ 15,518	\$ 380			\$ 18,548	\$ 46,104
Total	\$ 8,502	\$ 2,881	\$ 24,601	\$ 4,386	\$ 6,067	\$ 2,536	\$ 16,030	\$ 2,369	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 69,685	\$ 137,057

Senior Transportation Report

Ridership on the RTA Funded Senior Services - 2022										
Month	Gunnison Riders	CB Riders	Total Riders	Gunnison Miles	CB Miles	Total Miles	Gunnison Invoices	CB Invoices	Total Invoices	
January	937	240	1,177	3,424	3,989	7,413	\$ 18,197	\$ 7,801	\$ 25,998	
February	948	253	1,201	3,465	2,854	6,319	\$ 20,970	\$ 7,594	\$ 28,564	
March	1,034	155	1,189	3,241	2,953	6,194	\$ 22,494	\$ 5,838	\$ 28,332	
April			-			-			\$ -	
May			-			-			\$ -	
June			-			-			\$ -	
July			-			-			\$ -	
August			-			-			\$ -	
September			-			-			\$ -	
October			-			-			\$ -	
November			-			-			\$ -	
December			-			-			\$ -	
Total	2,919	648	3,567	10,130	9,796	19,926	\$ 61,661	\$ 21,233	\$ 82,894	



MEMO

April 30, 2023

To: GVRTA Board of Directors

From Scott Truex, Executive Director

Re: Gunnison Transit Center

Board Members,

As you may know, the Gunnison City Council has decided not to proceed with our request to build a new multi-modal transit center for the City of Gunnison at the Rec. Center.

Before submitting our request, the GVRTA and Gunnison city staff met multiple-times over the past several years and more recently during late winter and early spring to discuss the possibility of a transit center in the city, and particularly at the Rec Center location. We believed that we had addressed most if not all of their concerns about using this property and that we had the support of the staff. We adopted our preferred location analysis on February 17th (with Boe and Jim supporting the location) and there was a front-page story about our recommendation in the Gunnison Country Times on February 23rd. We didn't receive any negative comments from the public after that article and Leia presented the plan to the City Council on April 11th where there seemed to be support for the project.

Then, on April 20th, I received an email from the city that said that transit center location was on the April 25th agenda. The email also said, due to the public opposition to the project as well as some significant operational impacts, the staff recommendation was to not approve a zoning change that would be necessary to allow a transit center in that location. In response to this email, and after consulting with Leia and Janet, I sent a letter (see a copy included under correspondence in this packet) to the City on April 24th.

The timing of the April 25th meeting was disappointing since the city was informed in advance that that neither Leia nor I would be able to attend. Leia had let them know when she made her presentation that we wanted to be on a May agenda and had followed up with staff afterwards. We had assumed that no action or decision would be made at this meeting. Additionally, neither Boe nor Jim were able to attend the April 25th meeting and therefore we didn't have any representation. Therefore, during public input and we were unable to address any of the concerns that were brought up.

I have watched a video of the meeting and for the most part, people seemed to be in favor of a transit center in the city, just not at that location. At the end of the discussion, it was clear that the Rec Center location will not be approved by the City Council for a transit center facility.

According to the city staff, current zoning allows for a transit center in the Industrial zone only, so any proposed location outside of the industrial zone would also require a zoning change. Accordingly, before we pursue alternative locations, I recommend that we get

direction from the city as to whether or not they would be willing to change zoning to allow a transit center in any other zones.

At the same time that the above was happening, on April 21st we received a voicemail from Senator Hickenlooper's office saying that the Senator had prioritized our project for the \$2,500,000 funding that we had requested through Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS). This is the first step towards being funded and is the way that we were able to purchase the two new buses that are arriving this week.

We had applied for these funds (as well as other grant opportunities) with the Rec Center site in mind and with a timeline that works for these particular funding opportunities. Now that the Rec Center site is no longer an option and the timeline will necessarily be pushed back, the GVRTA staff recommendation is to withdraw all of the funding requests for a transit center as soon as possible so as to allow those funds to be put to use to support other important projects across the state. We can submit new applications when we have a new plan with an approved location and updated zoning.

Sincerely,
Scott Truex





