Paratransit Advisory Board (PTAB)

29-1993  3-10-93   2-7- Changing the name of the Advisory Committee on Transit for the elderly and the handicapped to the “Paratransit Advisory Board;” and repealing Resolution No.147-1976;

**2-7-1  MASS TRANSIT CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD.**
**(C) A committee exists and is to be known as the Paratransit Advisory Board (PTAB).**

(1) The PTAB shall consist of 12 members, at least six of whom shall be mobility impaired, and up to six of whom shall be representatives of agencies that work with the mobility impaired, seniors or are advocates for people with disabilities. A PTAB member representing a social service agency may designate an alternate from that agency to attend any meeting. Members currently serving on the PTAB shall continue until the end of their term.

(2) The term of each member of the PTAB shall be three years. The official dates when each member shall begin and end his/her term shall be determined by the Mayor. Each PTAB member is eligible for a second term .

(3) The PTAB shall meet at least bi-monthly to perform, at a minimum, the following tasks:
 (a) Provide recommendations to the Transit and Parking Department regarding the city's short and long range plans to enhance public transportation services for the mobility impaired in accordance with the ADA .
 (b) Review ADA-related segments of public transportation plans, review progress toward goals outlined in the plans, and recommend modifications to plans as appropriate.
 (c) Consider passenger complaints and appeals concerning paratransit service and ADA issues related to fixed-route service.
 (d) Mediate between consumers and Sun Van to resolve problems when possible, and advocate for solutions when mediation is unsuccessful.

 (e) Monitor Sun Van performance and service quality regularly. Study the systematic problems facing the mobility impaired utilizing fixed-route and paratransit services, and make recommendations to resolve such problems.

 (f) Educate the community-at-large, persons with disabilities, the City Council, and other key stakeholders about paratransit needs/issues in order to garner community support and increase the effective use of paratransit services.
 (g) Prepare and present an annual report to be submitted to the Mayor and City Council, reporting activities and concerns of the PTAB.

**(D) The Transit Department shall cooperate fully with the PTAB, including providing access to statistical reports and ADA plans**.

**(E) All meetings of the PTAB shall be open to the public.**

**(F) That except as provided in this section, the qualifications, appointment, and conduct of the members of the PTAB shall be governed by Article 6 of Chapter 2 of the Revised Ordinances of Albuquerque, New Mexico, 1994.
(Res. 29-1993, approved 3-10-93; Am. Res. 24-1996, approved 2-2-96)**

**(G) The following provisions shall govern the organizational structure of the PTAB.**

   *Officers.*

      (1)   The minimum number of officers of the PTAB shall be not less than two officers (such as the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson) and such other officers as the PTAB may deem necessary.

      (2)   All officers shall be elected by the members for a term of one year and no officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms.

      (3)   The vice-chair shall serve in the absence of the chair.