Request to attend and speak at your council meeting to explain the Mass Transit Advisory Council (MTAC) so that they can select an appropriate representative.

Guide Management Group will be the consultant handling the MTAC meetings.

Here is a basic explanation of the committee and the process:

Last year Escambia County voted to reinstate the MTAC after several years of being inactive. The basic purpose is to provide guidance and input to the transit system from a community perspective.

The committee is made up of the following representatives:

- A representative from each of the county commission districts appointed by the district commissioner
- A representative from the Mayor of the City of Pensacola
- A representative of the Pensacola City Council
- A Representative of the Escambia Administrator
- A Representative from the Town of Century

The committee will be tasked:

- To advise the Escambia BOCC on mass transit issues
- To facilitate a community vision for mass transit
- To assist the board in developing and maintain effective and efficient mass transit systems in Escambia County

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Establish a set of benchmarks to periodically evaluate the service and management of existing public mass transit systems operating in Escambia County
- Set short range and long-range goals for increasing ridership, expanding routes, and instituting new mass transit services
- Assist the BOCC, the County Administrator, and ECAT Management in developing partnerships with industry groups and foster economic development

The first meeting date has not been set. We expect it to be in May. Once all the representatives have been appointed, ECAT will try to set a date that works for everyone. Please feel free to let me know if you have any questions.

The meetings will be held at 3363 W. Park Place, Pensacola, FL 32505.

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