



# APTA Streetcar Subcommittee

The Westin Hotel

21 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202

Wednesday March 29, 2017

8:30 am to 5:30 pm

*Paul Grether, Chair*

*Timothy Borchers, Vice Chair*

*James Schantz, Secretary*

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The APTA Streetcar Subcommittee promotes streetcar services in urban centers and the exchange of information among individuals or organizations promoting, planning, funding, designing, building, operating, and maintaining such services. This is done by organizing forums for the dissemination of best practices and the experience of practitioners; by assisting in the development of appropriate safety and technical standards and by providing guidance to regulators in setting sensible and reasonable regulatory measures.*

## Agenda:

8:00 – 8:30 Breakfast

8:30-9:00 Welcome & Introductions Paul Grether  
Welcome from our event sponsors: Jitendra Tomar, VP Marketing & Business Dev. CAF  
Norm Jester, Vice President, Herzog Transit Services

### 1. 'Streetcar State-of-the-Art: What's happening outside the USA?'

9:00-10:15 Capacity solutions- technology and trade-offs Igan Estrobe- CAF  
Multiple-unit vs. longer vehicles vs. more vehicles / shorter headways

10:15-10:30 Break

10:30-11:45 Safety and standards- recent advances in Europe Scott Sherin - Alstom

11:45-13:00 Lunch

### 2. Multiple Perspectives on Safety Certification

13:00-14:30 Panel Discussion Paul Grether - SORTA  
Jason Waldron - City of Kansas City  
Brian Kummerer - ODOT  
Kevin Chandler - Vital Assurance

14:30-14:45 Break

### 3. APTA Streetcar Subcommittee Business Meeting

14:45-17:00

- Previous Meeting Minutes Los Angeles, September 11, 2016
- APTA updates
- Website updates
- Light Rail Technical Forum
- Community Streetcar Coalition
- Work Program Update

Jim Schantz  
Charles Joseph  
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Tom Furmaniak  
Jeff Boothe  
John Smatlak

### 4. Old Business

Paul Grether

### 5. New Business

- Succession Planning – Subcommittee Officer Election
- FY18 Work Plan
- Discussion
  - a) 2017 APTA Rail Conference – abstracts for papers and presentations
  - b) Winter operations for Streetcars
  - c) Best practices streetcar
  - d) Suggestions from the meeting

Charles Joseph  
Paul Grether

### 6. System Updates (planned, construction, existing)

### 7. Next Meeting

APTA Rail Conference Sunday June 11, 2017, Baltimore, MD

### 8. Adjourn

Paul Grether

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