

Board Report

Selected Financial and Operating
Performance Results
October 2017

Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority





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Jeffrey D. Knueppel, P.E.

Date: November 20, 2017

To: SEPTA Board Members

From: Jeffrey D. Knueppel

Re: Financial & Operating Highlights – October 2017

I am pleased to present the Financial and Operating Highlights for October 2017.

OPERATING REVENUE

Passenger revenue for October 2017 is 1.4% lower than budget and is 3.5% better than October 2016. Year-to-date passenger revenue is 3.5% lower than budget. Other operating revenue is 4.7% higher than budget for the month and 1.3% higher than budget year-to-date.

OPERATING EXPENSES

Total operating expenses are 1.4% lower than budget for October 2017, and 1.4% lower than budget year-to-date. Labor and Fringe expenses are 0.8% lower than budget for the month and 1.3% below budget year-to-date. There is a \$1.2 million surplus after subsidies for the month, and a year-to-date surplus of \$3.0 million.

SEPTA LAUNCHES DIRECT BUS SERVICE

SEPTA and the City of Philadelphia announced the launch of Boulevard Direct bus service - a first step in an overall initiative to improve travel for all bus riders. The service, which began on October 22, features 10 new stations with modern amenities for riders at stops within the City. Boulevard Direct is the first route operating under the new SEPTA "Direct Bus" brand. It will offer frequent service and fewer stops than current Route 14 bus service between Frankford Transportation Center and Neshaminy Mall. The launch of Boulevard Direct service comes as SEPTA is conducting its first comprehensive review of the entire bus network. As part of this process, SEPTA will look at opportunities to add similar Direct Bus service to other parts of the city and region. "SEPTA is excited to introduce Direct Bus service with the launch of Boulevard Direct, which will provide riders along this busy corridor with an option for saving valuable travel time," said SEPTA General Manager Jeffrey D. Knueppel. "This new service is the result of a great partnership between SEPTA and the City of Philadelphia that will continue as we look at additional ways to enhance service throughout the SEPTA bus network." The City has added 10 new stations - two at each intersection within Philadelphia to accommodate riders traveling in both directions - with amenities carefully selected to create community assets. The stations feature new plazas and curbs, ADA ramps, bus shelters that serve both Route 14 and Boulevard Direct customers, free standing bench seating, pedestrian-scale lighting, landscaping, solar trash and recycling receptacles and way-finding signage.

SEPTA OPENS NEW 61ST & PINE BUS LOOP

SEPTA gathered with local elected officials and neighborhood leaders to reopen the 61st and Pine Bus Loop, a key transit hub in West Philadelphia. The Loop is now a fully reconstructed facility that includes safety enhancements, added accessibility and a variety of other upgrades. The Loop is an end point for the Route 42 bus, which is one of SEPTA's busiest, serving a daily ridership of nearly 13,000. The 61st and Pine Bus Loop project is part of the overall Rebuilding the SEPTA System capital improvement plan. The Authority is embarking on long-needed upgrades throughout the system thanks to Pennsylvania Act 89, which was passed in November 2013 to provide a dedicated source of funding for transportation improvements throughout the Commonwealth.

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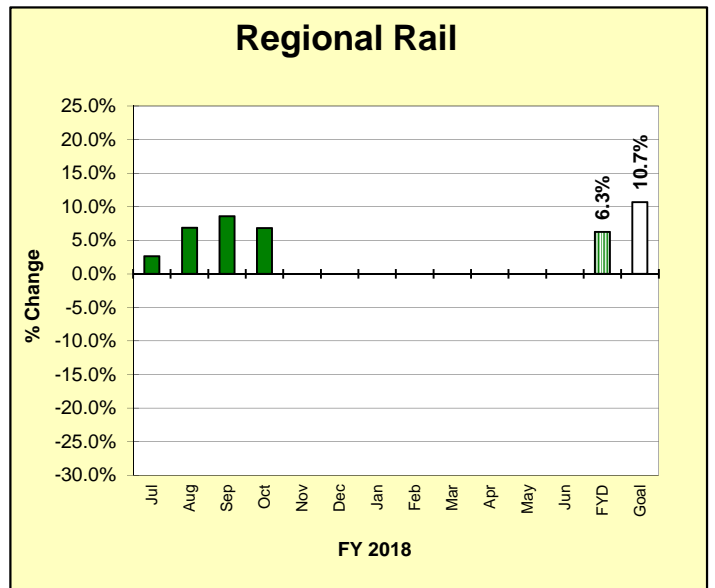
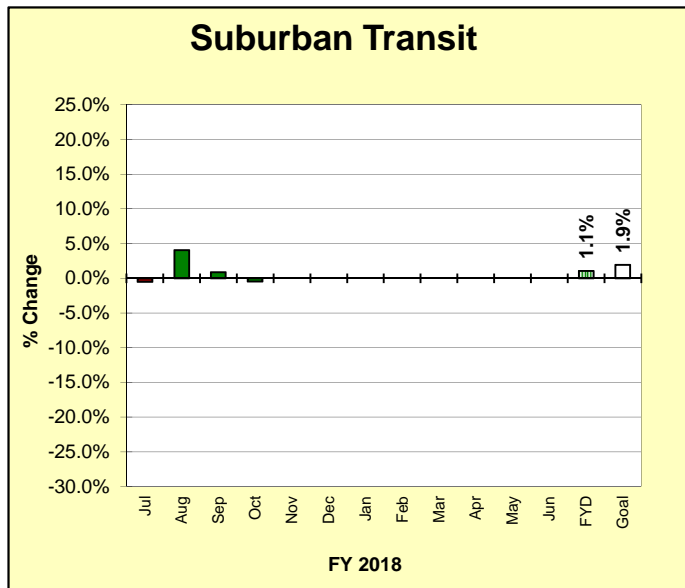
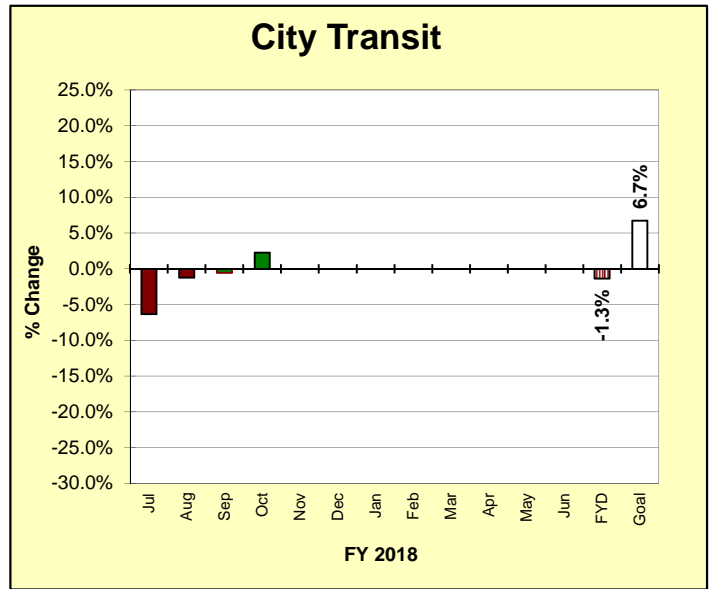
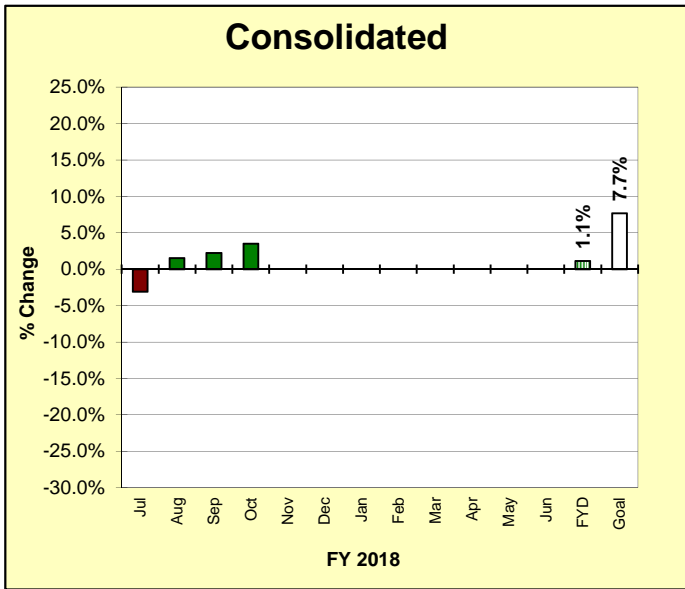
SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
FINANCIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY
PERIOD ENDED OCTOBER 28, 2017
(Thousands)

Month of October				Four Months through October			
2017			2016	2017			2016
BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	ACTUAL
<u>OPERATING REVENUES</u>				<u>OPERATING REVENUES</u>			
\$ 39,231	38,671	\$ (560)	\$ 37,366	\$ 152,063	146,814	\$ (5,249)	\$ 145,146
1,456	1,360	(96)	1,536	6,090	5,737	(353)	6,118
124	228	104	136	534	896	362	518
2,869	3,070	201	2,583	11,532	11,767	235	11,269
\$ 43,680	\$ 43,329	\$ (351)	\$ 41,621	\$ 170,219	\$ 165,214	\$ (5,005)	\$ 163,051
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>				<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>			
\$ 47,258	\$ 46,650	\$ 608	\$ 46,315	\$ 203,457	\$ 201,371	\$ 2,086	\$ 202,850
30,761	30,723	38	31,648	128,849	126,765	2,084	124,173
22,210	21,395	815	21,004	88,842	87,034	1,808	86,782
2,314	2,314	-	2,210	9,908	9,908	-	9,385
2,617	2,391	226	2,652	10,660	9,826	834	10,738
358	441	(83)	1,247	1,475	1,598	(123)	4,106
1,981	1,967	14	1,925	8,113	8,039	74	8,673
1,714	1,784	(70)	1,584	6,829	7,063	(234)	6,299
\$ 109,213	\$ 107,665	\$ 1,548	\$ 108,585	\$ 458,133	\$ 451,604	\$ 6,529	\$ 453,006
\$ (65,533)	\$ (64,336)	\$ 1,197	\$ (66,964)	\$ (287,914)	\$ (286,390)	\$ 1,524	\$ (289,955)
<u>OPERATING SUBSIDIES</u>				<u>OPERATING SUBSIDIES</u>			
\$ 2,635	\$ 2,635	\$ -	\$ 2,672	\$ 11,583	\$ 13,100	\$ 1,517	\$ 11,771
48,727	48,727	-	46,552	214,161	214,161	-	205,243
7,308	7,308	-	6,982	32,124	32,124	-	30,786
6,579	6,579	-	6,667	28,913	28,913	-	29,396
284	284	-	272	1,133	1,050	(83)	1,087
\$ 65,533	\$ 65,533	\$ -	\$ 63,145	\$ 287,914	\$ 289,348	\$ 1,434	\$ 278,283
\$ -	\$ 1,197	\$ 1,197	\$ (3,819)	\$ -	\$ 2,958	\$ 2,958	\$ (11,672)
-	(70)	(70)	(17)	-	(19)	(19)	(61)
\$ -	\$ 1,127	\$ 1,127	\$ (3,836)	\$ -	\$ 2,939	\$ 2,939	\$ (11,733)

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REVENUE PERFORMANCE

FY 2018 Actual vs. FY 2017 Actual



**SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
RIDERSHIP PERFORMANCE**

FY 2018 Actual vs. FY 2017 Actual

