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The City of Waukesha and Waukesha County last year agreed to work together on a joint Transit Development Plan (TDP) to determine how to best meet the transit needs of the City and County. SEWRPC is conducting the TDP upon the City's and County's behalf. The TDP will be used as a guide for the City and County on how to plan service over the next five years. The last TDP for the City of Waukesha Metro was completed at the end of 2012 and was a valuable guide in planning changes to the service such as the Saturday service route consolidation implemented in 2014. The new TDP will be effective from 2021-2025.

An advisory committee was formed comprised of key business, educational, governmental and social service organizations. The advisory committee is acting as a steering committee that is giving perspective on the transit needs of their organization and the community as a whole. The advisory committee is also reviewing and providing feedback on the chapters of the plan as it is developed.

SEWRPC conducted four Advisory Committee meetings in 2019 including an evaluation of current transit systems of the City and County. The next step in the process is public outreach to obtain feedback on the current transit systems as well as discovery of issues or opportunities in regards to public transportation in the City and County. SEWRPC is in the process of setting up outreach activities with the Waukesha Business Alliance as well as several social service and educational entities. SEWRPC will then compile the feedback received to identify needs and opportunities so that the process of making recommendations of the plan can begin. At this point, the SEWRPC will provide an overview of the TDP and the findings to the Transit Commission. The Transit Commission will then be asked for feedback on the City TDP. This presentation will likely occur this Spring at a Transit Commission meeting.

After receiving feedback from the Transit Commission, SEWRPC will then conduct Advisory Committee meetings to discuss alternatives and develop a proposed plan. The proposed City plan will then be presented to the Transit Commission and then Council for discussion and approval. After approval, the transit staff will then use the TDP as a guide to planning transit service for the next five years.

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