2026 APTA TRANSform Conference
Streetcar Subcommittee Meeting

Sunday, October 4th, 2026
11:30am – 1:00pm

Hilton Chicago
Continental A-B (Lobby Level)
(Reminder to confirm room location when you are onsite as rooms may change)

AGENDA

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.

Streetcar Subcommittee Officers: Tom Gerend - Chair; John Smatlak - Vice Chair; Michael Puplett - Secretary
APTA Staff Advisors: Bryan Sooter and Thomas Petersen

11:30 am	**Welcome and Introductions**	Tom Gerend, *KC Streetcar Authority*
11:35 am	**2026 – 2028 Streetcar Subcommittee Election**	Tom Gerend, *KC Streetcar Authority*
11:45 am	**Meeting Minutes (APTA Rail Conference 2026)**	John Smatlak, *AtkinsRéalis*
11:50 am	**Onboard Lubrication in the Age of Digitalization**	Patrick Boehni, *US Train Products*
12:10 pm	**Vehicle Safety Technology Working Group Update**	John Smatlak, *AtkinsRéalis*
12:30 pm	**Kansas City Streetcar Update**	Tom Gerend, *KC Streetcar Authority*
12:50 pm	**Q&A/General Agency Updates**	All
1:00 pm	**Adjourn**	

Next meeting: APTA Rail Conference, June 6, 2027 - St. Louis, MO