## LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY 1362 Rutan Court, Suite 100 Livermore, CA 94551

#### **WHEELS Accessible Advisory Committee**

**DATE**: Wednesday, October 28, 2015

**PLACE**: Diana Lauterbach Room LAVTA Offices

1362 Rutan Court, Suite 100, Livermore, CA

**TIME**: 3:00 p.m.

## **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to Order

The Vice-Chair Herbert Hastings called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm.

Members Present:

Herb Hasting Alameda County

Sue Tuite Alameda County – Alternate

Connie Mack
Shawn Costello
Shirley Maltby
City of Dublin
City of Dublin
City of Pleasanton

Glenn Hage City of Pleasanton – Alternate

Russ Riley City of Livermore
Nancy Barr City of Livermore

Mary Anna Ramos City of Livermore – Alternate

Pam Deaton Social Services Member
Amy Mauldin Social Services Member
Jennifer Cullen Social Services Member
Esther Waltz PAPCO Representative

**Staff Present:** 

Michael Tree LAVTA
Christy Wegener LAVTA
Kadri Kulm LAVTA
Juana Lopez MTM

Gregg Eisenberg MV Transit

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# 2. Citizens' Forum: An opportunity for members of the audience to comment on a subject not listed on the agenda (under state law, no action may be taken at this meeting)

None.

## 3. Minutes of the July 1, 2015 Meeting of the Committee

Approved.

Costello/Maltby

#### 4. Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA) Update

The Wheels COA developed three service alternative scenarios. The primary goal of the LAVTA COA is to improve transit service in the Tri-Valley area. Convenient and cost-effective transit service requires an appropriate balance of coverage, frequency, and service span.

Each of the three scenarios that have been developed are designed to address existing mobility challenges, find the most productive markets, and address operational issues. The overall goal of the scenarios is to improve ridership and utilization of service.

Thomas Wittmann is the Project Manager for the COA and presented the three service scenarios to the WAAC.

The committee member gave their feedback on the presented scenarios.

## 5. Paratransit Comprehensive Assessment

Staff discussed with the committee a plan to complete an overall assessment of LAVTA's Paratransit service delivery model and an evaluation of Paratransit services in the Tri-Valley. As the volume of Dial-A-Ride trips has increased dramatically over the years staff is looking at how to plan for future and, through discussions with the Pleasanton Paratransit Service, recommends completing a comprehensive assessment of paratransit services in the Tri-Valley.

# 6. Para-Taxi Ridership Summary

Staff provided the committee with the Para-Taxi statistics, the ridership has increased over the years. The program is a cost-effective transportation alternative for both the rider and the agency.

# 7. First and Neal Bus Stop Update

The solar kit for the First and Neal stops has been ordered. Staff is waiting on official approval from the City of Pleasanton before installation can begin.

#### 8. LAVTA ADA Paratransit Eligible Rider Database

Staff reported that as October 21, 2015 there were 1,494 eligible riders in its Regional Eligibility Database (RED). During the current fiscal year staff has seen an usually high influx of applications from one of the Tri-Valley nursing homes.

#### 9. LAVTA's ADA Paratransit Service Area

Staff discussed a recent request to provide direct Dial-A-Ride service to newly opened Kaiser facility in San Ramon, which is outside of the current Dial-A-Ride boundaries. Staff said that the Wheels Dial-A-Ride service area will be looked at during the paratransit comprehensive assessment study.

## 10. PAPCO Report

Esther Waltz gave a PAPCO report.

#### 10. Dial-A-Ride Operational Issues – Suggestions for Changes

Amy Mauldin talked about a regional trip from Hayward where the East Bay Paratransit's driver did not have the correct passenger information in his manifest and refused a ride.

## 10. Fixed Route Operational Issues – Suggestions for Changes

Herb Hastings said that he is working with the staff as well as the board members on improvements for two bus stops – one of them being a Rapid stop at the Bankhead and the other one on First and Neal.

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# 11. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5 pm.