

LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
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WHEELS Accessible Advisory Committee

DATE: Wednesday, October 28, 2015

PLACE: Diana Lauterbach Room LAVTA Offices
1362 Rutan Court, Suite 100, Livermore, CA

TIME: 3:30 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	City of Dublin
Shawn Costello	City of Dublin
Shirley Maltby	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

- 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 September 2, 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 members 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

There were no fixed route issues reported.

11. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5 pm.