

MINUTES OF THE MAY 1, 2017 LAVTA BOARD MEETING

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order by Board Vice Chair Karla Brown at 4:02 pm

2. Roll Call of Members

Members Present

David Haubert – Mayor, City of Dublin

Don Biddle – Vice Mayor, City of Dublin

Jerry Pentin – Vice Mayor, City of Pleasanton

Karla Brown – Councilmember, City of Pleasanton

Steven Spedowfski – Vice Mayor, City of Livermore

Bob Coomber – Councilmember, City of Livermore

Members Absent

Scott Haggerty – Supervisor, County of Alameda

3. Meeting Open to Public

Steven Spedowfski, Vice Mayor from City of Livermore, arrived during public comment.

Robert S. Allen

Robert Allen addressed the Board of Directors regarding a correction needed on Agenda Item 3 Meeting Open to Public of the April 3rd meeting minutes. Mr. Allen requested that line 7 of this section state the following: iBART (Interim Isabel BART) would do roughly the equivalent for Livermore for the decade or so until BART rail might be extended as eBART will do for Antioch in Contra Costa County.

4. March Wheels Accessible Advisory Committee Minutes Report

Carmen Rivera-Hendrickson reported that the Wheels Accessible Advisory Committee (WAAC) had an evaluation with MV safety and Training Manager Farries Chappel regarding the Q-Pod wheelchair tie down system, but she still feels uncomfortable with the new restraint system. Ms. Rivera- Henrickson requested that when ordering buses they should be installed with the traditional hook-up for safety concerns. Ms. Rivera- Henrickson stated that the Q-Pod works well for most wheel chairs with the exception of oversized wheel chairs.

Councilmember Bob Coomber commented on the usage of hip and shoulder belts and explained that he usually opts out of using them, but if the driver is doing the right thing he or she will offer them.

Staff stated that they have been unable to reach Ms. Rivera- Henrickson for the past two months to setup a meeting with the Q-Pod representative so that she can express her concerns directly to the manufacturer. Staff will arrange a time with Ms. Rivera-Henrickson and the manufacturer, and will invite Mr. Costello and Councilmember Bob Coomber to this meeting.

5. Consent Agenda

Recommend approval of all items on Consent Agenda as follows:

A. **Minutes of the April 3, 2017 Board of Directors meeting.**

The Board of Director's noted the correction to be made to the April 3rd meeting minutes based on Robert Allen's revision request.

B. **Treasurer's Report for the month of March 2017**

The Board of Directors approved the March 2017 Treasurer's Report.

C. **Resolution in Support of Application for FY 16-17 funding through the State Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)**

The Board of Directors approved Resolution 21-2017 in support of the allocation request submitted to Caltrans for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP). Resolution 21-2017 will supersede Resolution 15-2017.

D. **Fiscal Year 2016-17 Proposition 1B California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGP) Resolution**

The Board of Directors approved the attached Resolution 22-2017.

E. **Resolution Authorizing Investment of Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA) Monies in the State of California Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) and changing the authorized officers**

The Board of Directors approved Resolution 20-2017 reauthorizing investment of LAVTA monies in LAIF, and delete Beverly Adamo, Director of Administrative Services and replace with Tamara Edwards, Director of Finance as an authorized officer.

Approved: Haubert/Biddle

Aye: Brown, Pentin, Coomber, Spedowski, Haubert, Biddle

No: None

Absent: Haggerty

6. Potential Fall 2017 Schedule and Service Modifications

Staff gave an update on the proposed 2017 schedule and service modifications to the Board of Directors. LAVTA would like to implement these changes in August 2017. These modifications are to address On-Time Performance (OTP) and transferring issues between the routes and at BART.

In April LAVTA conducted multi-channel outreach in order to solicit public comment on the potential service changes, including on social media (Peach Jar, Facebook, NextDoor, and Twitter); printed materials for posting onboard Wheels buses, including bilingual take-one flyers; a press release; and postings on the LAVTA website at wheelsbus.com. LAVTA received 23 formal comments relating to the proposed service changes. Many comments received are outside of the framework of what can be addressed with the fall changes, but will be retained for the winter 2017-18 system wide service review. The Fall 2017 recommended

service adjustments were provided to the Board in Attachment 2 for review and approval. Please see the table below:

Fall 2017 Recommended Service Adjustments	
Route	Measure
Multiple	Multiple schedule revisions to improve transfer connectivity at hubs
1	Extend service to new East County Courthouse **previously approved**
14	Change the sequencing of service areas in downtown Livermore
14	Adjust weekday frequencies from 30/60 peak/base to 30-45/45-60 peak/base
501	Operate as freeway express west of Hacienda Drive
502	Adjust circulation pattern around Dublin High School
504	Adjust circulation pattern around Dublin High School
505	Suspend route as standalone service
602	Logistical revision to PM service to enable earlier 601 departure from PMS
602	Extend AM service to begin at Bernal/Hearst

Mayor David Haubert did state that he has cautious optimism regarding rerouting route 501 to take I-580 W to I-680 N getting off on Alcosta will be faster, predictable, and more safe than the current route. Mayor David Haubert requested that LAVTA watch this route closely and would like a report back in a two to three months. Vice Mayor Steven Spedowski stated that he has been timing the route and said it is slightly faster to use the freeway.

Vice Mayor Jerry Pentin thanked LAVTA staff for the work that has been done to assist with a suggestion received by a student's parent regarding Route 601.

The Board of Directors approved the recommended schedule and service modifications for Fall 2017, as outlined above.

Approved: Pentin/Coomber

Aye: Brown, Pentin, Coomber, Spedowski, Haubert, Biddle

No: None

Absent: Haggerty

7. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Michael Tree noted that on April 6th the Assembly and Senate passed SB 1, which will provide added State Transit Assistance Funds to the agency. There are two pots of STA funding that will be improved with SB 1. The first pot will be an approximate \$170,000 increase in funding. MTC is still working on funding estimates for the second pot of STA funds. LAVTA may also be privy to some discretionary funds that are performance or innovation based. Executive Director Michael Tree stated that AB 1444 (Baker) and AB 758 (Eggman) passed the Assembly Transportation Committee and moved on to Appropriations Committee.

LAVTA and the City of Livermore are working together on the Historic Depot Project and Executive Director Michael Tree explained that this will impact some of the routes, due to construction. LAVTA plans on doing marketing to inform patrons of the impact on our system during the construction. Vice Mayor Steven Spedowski stated that the City of Livermore may put a relocation sign up at the Historic Depot to inform the public it is not being knocked down.

Executive Director Michael Tree also noted that the P&S Committee is reviewing rebranding options and provided a picture of the bus wrap and logo. Staff will revisit the “W” in the logo with an alternate design option at the May P&S Committee meeting.

Executive Director Michael Tree explained that LAVTA is working hard on the ridership goal of increasing system ridership by 10% within eighteen months of the August redesign implementation. LAVTA ridership dipped down after the system wide changes in August, but is now back to where it was prior to the change. On-time performance is improving as projected.

Vice Mayor Jerry Pentin requested a map of the solar light locations. Executive Director Michael Tree will provide him a solar light map.

8. Matters Initiated by the Board of Directors

Councilmember Bob Coomber requested that staff contact him regarding the near future meeting with Q-Strain to discuss the QPOD restraint system.

9. Next Meeting Date is Scheduled for: June 5, 2017

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:38pm.