

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 22, 2017
LAVTA FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Committee Chair Bob Coomber called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

2. Roll Call of Members

Members Present

Karla Brown, Councilmember, City of Pleasanton
Don Biddle, Vice Mayor, City of Dublin
Bob Coomber, Councilmember, City of Livermore

Members Absent

Jerry Pentin, Vice Mayor, City of Pleasanton

3. Meeting Open to Public

No Comments.

4. Minutes of the June 27, 2017 Meeting of the F&A Committee

Approved: Biddle/Coomber
Aye: Biddle, Coomber
No: None
Abstain: Brown
Absent: Pentin

5. Treasurer's Report for June 2017 and July 2017

The Finance and Administration Committee recommended submitting the June 2017 and July 2017 Treasurer's Report to the Board for approval.

Councilmember Karla Brown asked what the risk is that the FTA grant will not be approved to pay for LAVTA's new buses. The Department of Labor (DOL) will need to approve the grant and the unions could fight it, but we do not foresee that happening. Staff responded that the risk of the grant not being approved is low, but we will not receive the grant until October.

Approved: Biddle/Brown
Aye: Biddle, Coomber, Brown
No: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Pentin

6. LAVTA Annual Organizational Review

The Finance and Administration Committee recommends forwarding the proposed organizational chart and Resolution 28-2016 adjusting the rates of salary bands for LAVTA employees to the Board of Directors for approval.

Approved: Biddle/Brown

Aye: Biddle, Coomber, Brown

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Pentin

7. SB 595 (Beall) as amended: Metropolitan Transportation Commission: Toll Bridge Revenues – SUPPORT

Staff provided the Finance and Administration Committee the Senate Bill (SB) 595 (Beall) as amended: Metropolitan Transportation Commission: Toll Bridge Revenues - SUPPORT. Staff noted that there has been changes to SB 595, since they reviewed it at past meetings. The changes include the toll increase amount and the project list. On July 13th, the Assembly of Transportation Committee approved SB 595 by a vote of 10-2, with Assembly Member Catharine Baker the only abstention from the Bay Area's delegation on the Committee. Late August SB 595 will be heard by the Assembly Appropriations Committee and possible amendments will be made to the bill. There may be some potential sources of operating and capital funding available that are not agency specific for which LAVTA could be eligible to receive future allocations.

Councilmember Karla Brown asked staff to elaborate on the reservations Assembly Member Catharine Baker had for abstaining her vote for SB 595 in Committee. Staff stated that her key concerns appeared to be the lack of formal oversight and there being no sunset to the measure's provisions if voters approved the toll increase.

The Finance and Administration Committee stated that there needs to be accountability and general oversight with the money spent. Councilmember Karla Brown requested a caveat in the support letter with conditional verbiage regarding amendments to the bill.

Councilmember Karla Brown motioned that staff come back to the Board with a letter that states a support with these conditions and those conditions have been reviewed by staff members of Assembly Member Baker and Senator Steve Glazer.

The Finance and Administration Committee recommends forwarding the approved SUPPORT position on SB 595 (Beall) with the stated conditions to the Board of Directors for approval.

Approved: Brown/Biddle

Aye: Biddle, Coomber, Brown

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Pentin

8. Preview of Upcoming F&A Committee Agenda Items

9. Matters Initiated by Committee Members

None.

10. Next Meeting Date is Scheduled for: September 26, 2017

11. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:25pm.