

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 22, 2019
LAVTA PROJECTS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Committee Chair Bob Woerner called the meeting to order at 4:04pm.

2. Roll Call of Members

Members Present

David Haubert, Mayor, City of Dublin

Bob Woerner, Councilmember, City of Livermore (arrived at 4:10pm)

Karla Brown, Vice Mayor, City of Pleasanton

Scott Haggerty, Supervisor, Alameda County (arrived at 4:06pm)

3. Meeting Open to Public

No comments.

4. Minutes of the March 25, 2019 Meeting of the P&S Committee.

Approved: Haubert/Brown

Aye: Brown, Haubert, Haggerty, Woerner

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

5. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Michael Tree announced that LAVTA was awarded the Transit Agency of the Year by California Association for Coordinated Transportation (CalACT). Executive Director Michael Tree noted that ridership for the first quarter of 2019 went down by 1.2 percent, due to weather. Executive Director Michael Tree informed that the AT&T cell site agreement is being completed. Executive Director Michael Tree requested Director of Planning and Marketing Tony McCaulay to brief about the BART discussion and Route 711. Director of Planning and Marketing Tony McCaulay briefed that LAVTA has been providing a bus bridge with two buses, since February and there has been low ridership numbers on Route 711. BART will discontinue Route 711 service in June 2019. Executive Director Michael Tree stated that LAVTA and MTM are still working on a potential contract amendment.

This item was informational only.

6. 2019 Title VI Program

Staff provided information on the updated Title VI 2019 Program. The Projects and Services Committee forwarded a recommendation to the Board of Directors to approve the attached Title VI Program for submittal to the FTA.

Approved: Haubert/Brown
Aye: Brown, Haubert, Haggerty, Woerner
No: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

7. Articulated Bus Feasibility Analysis

Staff provided the Articulated Bus Feasibility Analysis to the Projects and Services Committee. Staff was asked to explore adding articulated vehicles to the fleet, so Nelson\Nygaard Consulting provided an analysis of the pros and cons. The recommendation at this time is to not move forward with the purchase of articulated buses, due to limited need for larger buses. Route 501, 504, and 611 might benefit from articulated buses, but in order to purchase one articulated bus LAVTA would need to remove three 40-foot buses for capacity issues. LAVTA would end up with articulated buses for school tripper routes with little use for all other routes. There are also concerns about maintenance and storage for an articulated bus at LAVTA's current facility. In the future, the Atlantis facility could be built to handle articulated vehicles.

The item was discussed by the Committee Members and staff.

This item was informational only.

8. Shared Autonomous Vehicle Project Management and Operations Contract Award

Staff provided the Shared Autonomous Vehicle (SAV) Project Management and Operations Contract to the Projects and Services Committee. Staff informed that LAVTA's partnership with GoMentum is dissolving and that LAVTA sent out a Request for Proposal (RFP) and five companies showed up for a mandatory Pre-bid meeting. Transdev and First Transit provided a proposal to LAVTA. There was a review panel of five people that met with each proposer. Transdev received 88.95 and First Transit received 64.2 out of 100 points. Transdev submitted the lowest bid for the project.

Legal Counsel informed that LAVTA does not want two contracts at the same time, so a termination agreement will be negotiated. Legal Counsel provided the steps LAVTA will take to resolve the two contracts and the vehicle rights.

The item was discussed by the Committee Members and staff.

The Projects & Services Committee forwarded a recommendation to the Board of Directors to approve a resolution for the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Transdev for the SAV Pilot.

Approved: Haubert/Haggerty
Aye: Brown, Haubert, Haggerty, Woerner
No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

9. Preview of Upcoming P&S Committee Agenda Items

10. Matters Initiated by Committee Members

Vice Chair Karla Brown asked for comment on discussions that may be going on with Amador High School regarding shuttling students during the solar panel installation that is beginning next year when school starts. Staff met with the Deputy Superintendent Dr. Douglas of PUSD and he mentioned them paying for private charter buses and subsidizing rides for high school students that ride on Wheels Route 605 and 611. The Dr. Ochoa now is asking for extra buses to be added to Routes that travel to Amador High School, add an earlier bus for students that start at 7am, add a later bus for students that end at 4pm, and allow students with an Amador High ID to ride the buses for free. Staff will be meeting with PUSD again.

Committee Member Scott Haggerty asked why LAVTA is cutting so many checks for Para-Taxi clients. Staff responded that LAVTA applied for a grant to implement a debit card program to eliminate checks for Para-Taxi.

11. Next Meeting Date is Scheduled for: May 27, 2019

12. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:37pm.