

S T A F F R E P O R T

SUBJECT: Staff Proposed Revision to Adopted Fare Increase Timeline

FROM: Michael Tree, Executive Director

DATE: October 27, 2020

Action Requested

Staff recommends the Finance and Administration Committee forward a revised implementation date for two fare increase categories previously approved for implementation on January 1, 2021 and recommends that the Board delay the implementation of these proposed changes to January 1, 2022.

Background

In October 2018, the LAVTA Board approved a set of fare policy changes. The majority of those changes were implemented on January 1, 2019. However, two of the changes were approved for a phased implementation based on input from the Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee (TAAC). Those changes were:

- Have the Senior and Disabled Monthly Pass increase from \$18 to \$22 in January, 2019, as originally proposed by staff, then increase from \$22 to \$25 in January, 2021 with no additional increase beyond that point.
- Have the Dial-A-Ride fare increase from \$3.50 to \$3.75 in January 2019, as originally proposed by staff and delay the proposed increase to \$4.00 until January 2021, which leaves two years between the fare increases instead of one year that was proposed.

Discussion

Given the current environment and the economical impact of the pandemic, staff is recommending that both of these fare changes originally approved for January 1, 2021 be postponed by one year to January 1, 2022.

Recommendation

Staff recommends forwarding this action to the LAVTA Board for approval to delay the implementation date for these fare changes by one year.