

LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
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TRI-VALLEY ACCESSIBLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

DATE: Wednesday, November 6, 2024
PLACE: LAVTA Offices, Diana Lauterbach Room,
1362 Rutan Court, Suite 100, Livermore, CA
TIME: 3:30 p.m.

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NONE

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	Action Recommended by Staff	
1. Call to Order		3:30
2. Roll Call		
3. Approval of Agenda and Modifications if necessary	Action	
4. 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)	Information	3:32
5. Minutes of the September 4, 2024 meeting (please review prior to meeting)	Action	3:35
6. Potential Summer 2025 Service Modifications	Information	3:40
7. One Seat Ride Update	Information	3:55
8. TAAC Meeting Location	Action	4:10
9. PAPCO Report	Information	4:20
10. Service Updates and Concerns	Discussion	4:25
11. Adjournment		4:30

I hereby certify that this agenda was posted 72 hours in advance of the noted meeting.

Jennifer Forsyth

LAVTA Administrative Services Department

10/29/2024

Date

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ITEM 5



LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
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Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee

DATE: Wednesday, September 4, 2024

PLACE: LAVTA Administrative Office

TIME: 3:30 p.m.

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The Chair Shawn Costello called the meeting to order at 3:33 pm.

Members Present:

Shawn Costello	City of Dublin
Judy LaMarre	City of Livermore
Susan O’Neill	City of Livermore – Alternate
Carmen Rivera-Hendrickson	City of Pleasanton
Jennifer White	City of Pleasanton
Sue Tuite	City of Pleasanton – Alternate
Herb Hastings	County of Alameda
Jamie Renton	Social Services
Amy Mauldin	Social Services
Esther Waltz	PAPCO Representative

Staff Present:

Michael Tobin	LAVTA
Kadri Kulm	LAVTA
Christian Sanchez	Transdev
Laura Corona	Transdev
Victor Carranza	Big Star Transit
Daisha Smith	MV

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of Agenda and Modifications in necessary

Waltz/Rivera-Hendrickson

- 4. 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

- 5. Minutes of the July 10th, 2024 meeting of the Committee**

Approved.

Hastings/Waltz

Rivera-Hendrickson abstained.

- 6. August Service Changes Update: 10R Detour**

Staff informed the committee on the implementation of a series of schedule changes on local, express and Rapid routes to align with the new BART schedule that took effect on August 12, 2024. Part of this service change was a temporary Route 10 detour by Meadowlark Dairy in Pleasanton. Staff stated that starting on September 9th Route 10 will resume its normal route in both directions. The only exception is that the bus will not go down on Old Stanley and the bus stop on WB First and Neal will be closed. Staff showed the newly proposed temporary bus stop on First Street on Google maps. Members provided their feedback on the proposed temporary bus stop and felt that the sidewalk is too narrow for the bus to be able to deploy the ramp in such a way that it can be accessed with wheelchairs. Staff will go out to the bus stop with a bus to test if there is enough space for the ramp to be deployed and used safely.

- 7. PAPCO Report**

Esther Waltz talked about the PAPCO/ParaTAC joint meeting on July 22nd. There was a presentation on the Alameda Countywide Transportation Plan for which the committee members provided their feedback.

- 8. Service Updates and Concerns**

Shawn Costello reported that on August 28th a Route 4 bus driver did not let him deboard the bus at his requested bus stop on Village Pkwy and Amador Valley. Staff to follow up.

Herb Hasting brought to the staff's attention that drivers still don't align the bus with the concrete pad on Route 8 EB First Street bus stop.

Judy LaMarre reported that Route 15 bus stop on Livermore Avenue near Walmart needs a light.

Sue Tuite, Susan O'Neill and Judy LaMarre reported that Dial-A-Ride was late picking them up for the TAAC meeting and as a result they were late. Victor Carranza (Big Star Transit) apologized and responded that this was due to a vehicle break-down and school starting, which created more traffic.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:33 pm.

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ITEM 6



STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Potential Summer 2025 Service Modifications

FROM: Michael Tobin, Director of Operations

DATE: November 6, 2024

Action Requested

This is an informational item.

Background

The *Wheels-in-Motion* service changes were implemented in March 2024; the changes were based on feedback received after a month-long outreach effort that took place in Fall 2023. The route and schedule changes aligned the Wheels service frequencies to match those of the post-Pandemic BART schedule, restored several routes that were suspended due to the Pandemic, expanded the service footprint to more areas of the community, and added frequency on Weekends.

With those major changes having been completed, the service change efforts can now resume a cycle where smaller-scale changes are implemented on a periodic basis. Such changes may be recommended based on factors such as new developments, input from customers and front-line staff, and/or evolving operational conditions. If there are no additional resources or revenues forecasted, any proposed changes will need to be cost-neutral in their implementation.

Potential Service / Route Modifications for 2025

The two “Rapid” branded routes 10R and 30R form the spine of the Wheels system, connecting Livermore with Pleasanton and Dublin, respectively, and carrying over half of the total fixed-route ridership. With this, the focus on the next round of service changes is on these routes in particular, to ensure that they are optimal, both with regard to customer utility as well as operational reliability. Staff is looking at how these routes serve the downtown Pleasanton area, as well as East Avenue in Livermore, respectively.

Downtown Pleasanton Service

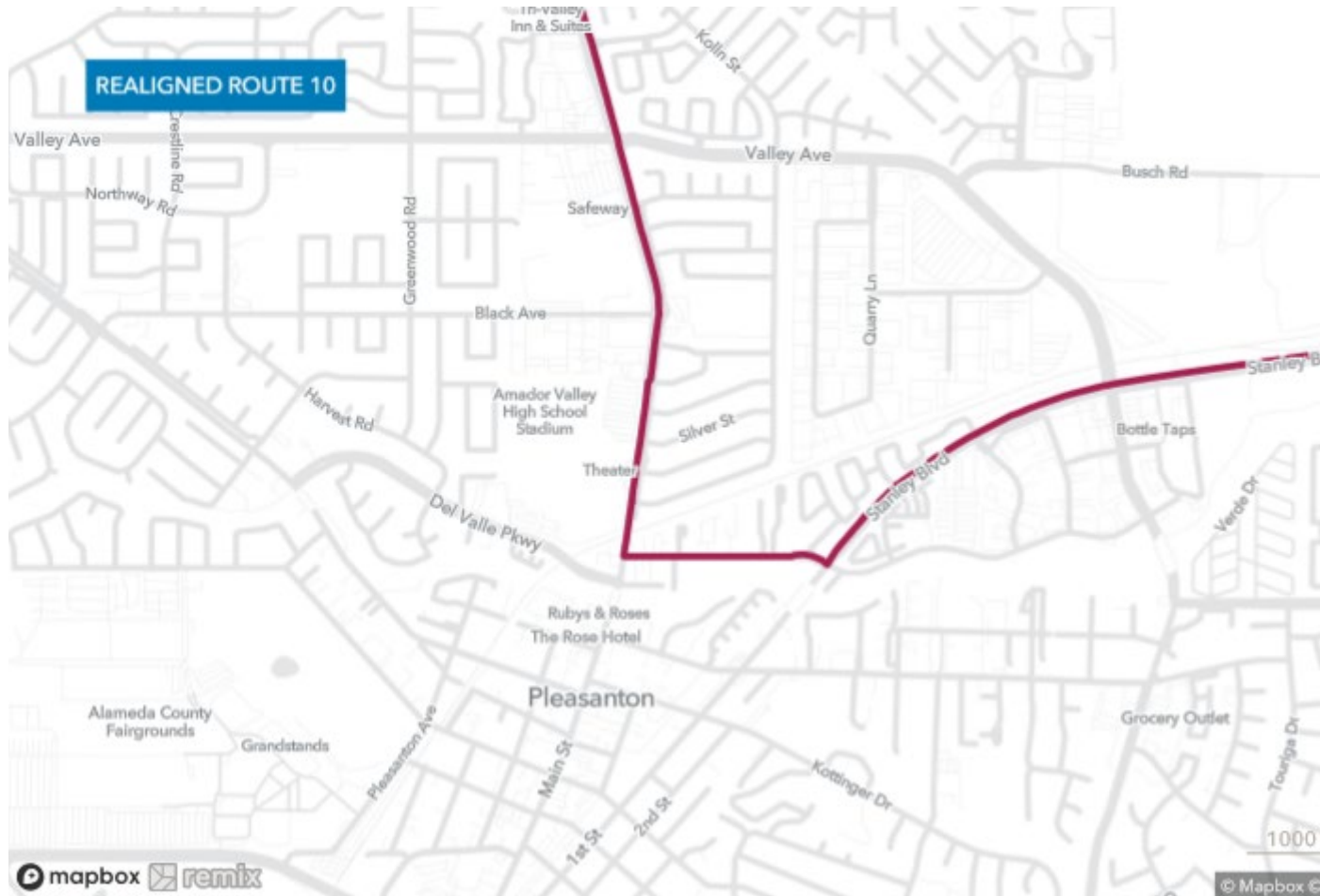
This area is served by routes 8 and 10R. The 10R connects the downtown with Livermore to the east, as well as north Pleasanton to the west – including the East Dublin/Pleasanton BART hub – with service seven days a week at a typical frequency of 20 minutes. The 8 connects the downtown with Vintage Hills to the east, and with Hopyard Road to the northwest, also serving BART, on service frequencies of 40-60 minutes, seven days a week.



Current Routing of 10R in Downtown Pleasanton

The downtown Pleasanton area has been presenting an increasing operational challenge to the Wheels service, particularly for Route 10R, whose alignment serves the core of downtown including Neal, Peters, and Main Streets. Many street-closure events take place around the year along or around Main Street, and the car queuing into the Meadowlark Dairy on Neal Street causes delays and poses ongoing safety-related challenges with making turns and serving bus stops. Various detours and bus stop closures to avoid these issues have resulted in inconsistent service delivery and schedule delays, thus negatively impacting customers and further stretching resources.

Upon reviewing this situation and evaluating potential alternatives, Staff is evaluating realigning Route 10R out of Downtown Pleasanton, so that instead of traveling along Stanley Boulevard – First Street – Neal Street – Peters Avenue – Saint John Street – Main Street – Santa Rita Road (and vice versa), the route would use a more direct path along the northern perimeter of the downtown, traveling Stanley Boulevard – Main Street – Santa Rita Road.



Potential Realignment of 10R in Downtown Pleasanton

While this would remove trunk line service from the southern portion of the downtown, the 10R would continue to serve the area via Main Street and Stanley Boulevard. Meanwhile, Route 8 would continue to serve the southern portion of the downtown area, along First Street. In addition, Staff is looking at potential options to extend or realign Route 8 in order to mitigate downtown

coverage impacts from a Route 10R alignment change and ensure a transfer point between the two routes.

East Avenue Service

Currently, as the two “Rapid” branded routes 10R and 30R arrive into Livermore from the west, the 10R terminates (turns around) at the Livermore Transit Center, whereas the 30R continues to East Avenue and terminates at East Avenue & Vasco Road in front of the Lab. It is important to note the 30R does not turn into the Livermore Transit Center and instead stays on Railroad Ave.

This is positive for residents of East Avenue traveling to/from Las Positas College or Dublin Blvd (which is served by the 30R). However, the current route network necessitates a transfer for East Avenue passengers traveling to/from central Livermore (Railroad Avenue/Stanley Boulevard corridor), which features a range of local commercial uses, including retail, restaurants, and health care. Also, the fact that the 30R does not go into the Transit Center makes it somewhat disconnected from the local Livermore routes, making timed transfers less convenient.

With this in mind, Staff are collecting data to determine whether the riders on East Avenue would be better served by the 10R instead of the 30R. If the data points in favor of a switch, the necessary public outreach would be conducted and a recommendation would likely be made to that effect. In conjunction with this, both lines would be routed through the Transit Center for ease of timed transfers.

The following table summarizes the conceptually proposed service adjustments at this time.

POTENTIAL 2025 SERVICE ADJUSTMENTS BY ROUTE	
8	Extend or realign route to improve downtown and crosstown connectivity (TBD)
10R	Realign to direct routing Stanley Boulevard > Main Street v.v.
10R	Extend route to East Avenue
30R	Terminate route at Livermore Transit Center

Map illustration(s) of proposed routing adjustments are shown in Attachment 1 (upcoming).

Implementation

The target implementation date at this time is the summer signup, beginning on or around June 1, 2025.

Next Steps

Staff will deploy an onboard survey on East Avenue to gather relevant origin and destination information, and reach out to front-line staff, in order to gather input on the conceptual service changes described above, as well as any other desired adjustments to the Wheels service. Once the data has been collected and analyzed, a final recommendation will be presented to the LAVTA Board in early winter.

If the final iteration of the recommended service changes reaches the level of a major service change per LAVTA's Title VI policy, then staff will conduct a formal public outreach process culminating in a public hearing.

Recommendation

Information only.

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ITEM 7



STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: One Seat Ride Program Update

FROM: Kadri Kulm, Paratransit Planner

DATE: November 6, 2024

Action Required

This is an informational item, which will be presented by John Sanderson, Director of ADA and Specialized Service (County Connection).

Background

The One Seat Ride Paratransit pilot program started in November 2020 and is managed by County Connection. It is a premium ADA paratransit service that allows passengers to travel between participating partner transit authority service areas without having to transfer. Participating agencies include County Connection, LAVTA, West-Cat and Tri-Delta Transit.

Discussion

The One Seat Ride program is scheduled to be transitioning from ‘pilot’ phase to ‘permanent’ program in December. Staff is seeking the Committee’s feedback.

Recommendation

Information only.

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ITEM 8



STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: TAAC Meeting Location

FROM: Kadri Klm, Paratransit Planner

DATE: November 6, 2024

Action Required

Re-establish rotating TAAC meeting locations annually at each Tri-Valley city (Livermore, Dublin, and Pleasanton), and hold the remainder of the FY25 meetings at the Dublin Civic Center/Library.

Background

According to the committee bylaws SECTION 3.7. COMMITTEE MEETINGS (f) Accessibility “All meetings shall be conducted in the LAVTA jurisdiction and shall be in a location accessible by public transportation and accessible to persons with disabilities”.

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020 TAAC meeting locations rotated annually between fixed route accessible locations at each Tri-Valley city (Livermore, Dublin, and Pleasanton). These meetings were held at the Pleasanton Senior Center, Dublin Civic Center/Library, and Livermore Community Center. Since the beginning of the pandemic for safety and technical reasons TAAC meetings have been held at the LAVTA administrative office board room in Livermore.

Discussion

As things are moving back to normal Staff is proposing having the TAAC meetings at rotating meeting locations again. Staff is proposing having the remainder of the FY25 TAAC meetings (January 8, March 5, and May 7) at the Dublin Civic Center/Dublin Library. TAAC will vote on a location for FY26 meetings at the committee’s May, 2025 meeting.

Recommendation

Re-establish annually rotating TAAC meeting locations at each Tri-Valley city (Livermore, Dublin, and Pleasanton), and hold the remainder of the FY25 meetings at the Dublin Civic Center/Library.