

**LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
1362 Rutan Court, Suite 100
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TRI-VALLEY ACCESSIBLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

DATE: Wednesday, January 8, 2025

PLACE: Bray Community room, Dublin Civic Center,
100 Civic Plaza, Dublin, CA 94568

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 November 6, 2024 meeting (please review prior to meeting)	Action	3:35
6. Title VI Survey	Information	3:40
7. Wheels Access Update	Information	3:50
8. Oral PAPCO Report	Information	4:00
9. Service Updates and Concerns	Discussion	4:05
10. Adjournment		4:30

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

<i>Jennifer Forsyth</i>	<i>1/3/2025</i>
<i>LAVTA Administrative Services Department</i>	<i>Date</i>

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ITEM 5

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Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee

DATE: Wednesday, November 6, 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 3:30 pm.

2. Roll Call

Members Present:

Shawn Costello	City of Dublin
Donna Singer	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
Esther Waltz	PAPCO Representative

Staff Present:

Michael Tobin	LAVTA
Kadri Kulm	LAVTA
John Sanderson	County Connection
Christian Sanchez	Transdev
Laura Corona	Transdev
Victor Carranza	Big Star Transit
Regina Flores	MV
Daisha Smith	MV

3. Approval of Agenda and Modifications if necessary

Moved the agenda item ‘PAPCO Report’ from agenda item number 9 up to agenda item number 5.

Approved.

Waltz/Hastings

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. PAPCO Report

Esther Waltz talked about the PAPCO/ParaTAC joint meeting on October 28th. PAPCO approved the guidelines Implementation Guidelines and Performance Measures – Special Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities (Paratransit) Program for FY 2025-26. PAPCO also received updates on Paratransit Direct Local Distribution (DLD) Program Reserves, Equity Initiatives, and Mobility Management.

6. Minutes of the September 4, 2024 meeting of the Committee

Approved.

Hastings/Waltz

Rivera-Hendrickson abstained.

7. Potential Summer 2025 Service Modifications

Staff presented a PowerPoint of potential summer 2025 service modifications to the TAAC. One potential service modification would be realigning Route 10R with the goal of enhancing safety and improving running time, as well as extending Route 8 to mitigate the downtown coverage impacts. The second potential service modification would be to have Route 10R serve East Avenue and both Routes 10R and 30R route through the Transit Center for ease of timed transfers. Staff will conduct onboard surveys on East Avenue and do further public outreach about the service modifications to receive feedback. The item was discussed by the TAAC and staff.

8. One Seat Ride Update

John Sanderson from County Connection gave an update on One Seat Ride regional paratransit program. 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. The One

Seat Ride program is scheduled to be transitioning from ‘pilot’ phase to ‘permanent’ program in December, 2024. The committee expressed their interest in having East Bay Paratransit joining the program.

9. TAAC Meeting Location

TAAC re-established rotating TAAC meeting locations annually at each Tri-Valley city (Livermore, Dublin, and Pleasanton), and approved holding the remainder of the FY25 meetings at the Bray Community Room in Dublin Civic Center.

Approved.

Hastings/White

10. Service Updates and Concerns

Sue Tuite reported the Route 8 bus stop on case Ave and Valley where the sidewalk is too narrow for being able to easily board with a mobility scooter.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:53 pm.

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ITEM 6

S T A F F R E P O R T

SUBJECT: Title VI Reporting Requirements

FROM: Kadri Kulm, Paratransit Planner

DATE: January 8, 2025

Action Requested

This is an informational item.

Background

Section 601 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI) prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, color or national origin in the programs that receive federal financial assistance. As a recipient of federal funding, LAVTA ensures transportation equity in the services we provide.

Discussion

As part of the new Title VI compliance requirements issued by the FTA, LAVTA must report the membership of non-elected committees and councils broken down by race. As a non-elected committee representing LAVTA, the TAAC is requested to provide their race for reporting and compliance purposes. Title VI survey is attached.

Staff recommendation

This is an informational item.

Attachment

1. Title VI Survey

Wheels Accessible Advisory Committee Title VI Survey

Committee Member's Name:

I consider my race to be: (Mark one  or more)

White		Asian Indian	
Black/African American		Chinese	
American Indian		Japanese	
Hispanic, Cuban		Filipino	
Hispanic, Mexican		Korean	
Hispanic, Puerto Rican		Vietnamese	
Pacific Islander		Other	

If some other race, please provide:

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ITEM 7

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Wheels Access Update

FROM: Kadri Klm, Paratransit Planner

DATE: January 8, 2025

Action Requested

Information only.

Background

LAVTA is a recipient of Alameda CTC Paratransit Discretionary Gap Grant funds for a 5-year grant to implement a comprehensive mobility program called “Wheels Access – Expanding Mobility Options in the Tri Valley”. The Wheels Access Program includes three principal project components: (1) establishing a new Mobility Management program to provide individualized consultation (travel navigator) and travel training targeting seniors and persons with disabilities, (2) continuing the popular Para-Taxi Reimbursement/PEX Debit Card program, which provides a same-day accessible travel option, and (3) providing operating support within Alameda County for the multi-jurisdictional One Seat Ride program, an enhanced ADA paratransit service developed in response to long-standing community requests.

Discussion

In order to implement the Wheels Access Mobility Management program LAVTA released a Request for Proposals (RFP) on 12/20/24 with the proposals due date on 2/7/25. With this RFP LAVTA is seeking for a third-party contractor to perform the following services for LAVTA:

1. Travel Navigator Program (travel counseling, information and referral to resources).

Travel Navigators are a one-stop resource for program information and eligibility for all LAVTA ADA paratransit and accessibility programs for seniors and persons with disabilities. Travel navigators will provide a customized approach to riders’ mobility options based on their

specific needs. Once a customer calls the Travel Navigators, a representative will learn more about their mobility goals and personal circumstances. With this information, the Travel Navigators will then help the individual to determine which programs best suit them - or a friend, client, or loved one.

2. ADA Paratransit eligibility determination phone/Zoom interviews.
Under the Wheels Access program LAVTA is requesting the contractor to conduct ADA paratransit eligibility assessment interviews over the phone or via Zoom/Teams in addition to paper applications. Paratransit eligibility is currently conducted in house based on paper applications and the applicant's medical care professional's verification; however, prior to the Covid-19 pandemic, LAVTA's eligibility determination process included in-person assessments for all new and most re-certifying applicants in addition to the paper applications and medical care professional's verification.

3. Travel Training on fixed route
Travel training is a service available to the general public and offers the additional support passengers may need to feel comfortable using public transit. Because using public transit can be intimidating for some riders who are unfamiliar with the system, have special needs, or use mobility aids, an effective travel training program is essential to providing equitable access to public transit by empowering potential riders with the skills and knowledge to comfortably navigate LAVTA's fixed route transit system.

Next Steps

Proposals are due on 2/7/25 and the successful firm is tentatively scheduled to begin providing Wheels Access service on 4/1/25.

Action Requested

Information only.