LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY 1362 Rutan Court, Suite 100 Livermore, CA 94551

TRI-VALLEY ACCESSIBLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

DATE: Wednesday, September 3, 2025

PLACE: LAVTA Offices, Room 110

1362 Rutan Court, Suite 100, Livermore

TIME: 3:30 p.m.

TELECONFERENCE LOCATIONS

NONE

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Action Recommended by Staff

1.	Call to Order		3:30
2.	Roll Call		3:31
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.	Committee Training on Robert's Rules	Information	3:35
6.	Minutes of the July 30, 2025 meeting (please review prior to meeting	Action	4:05
7.	FY26 Fare Increase Scenarios	Information	4:10
8.	NB bus stop at First/Neal in Pleasanton	Information	4:30
9.	TAAC Meeting Location for FY26	Information	4:40
10.	Chair's Report	Information	4:45
11.	Verbal Service Updates & Concerns	Discussion	4:50
12.	Adjournment		5:00

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

/s/ Lynn Domagas

LAVTA Administrative Services Department

Date 8/29/2025

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Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Committee Training on Roberts Rules of Order

FROM: Kadri Külm, Senior Paratransit Planner

DATE: September 3, 2025

Action Required

None – this is an informational item.

Background

The Brown Act and Robert's Rules of Order both relate to public meetings in California.

At the July meeting the committee received Brown Act training by Travis Taniguchi from Hanson Bridgett and Robert's Rules of Order is the second part of this training.

Robert's Rules of Order is a widely adopted manual of parliamentary procedure that provides a framework for conducting fair and orderly meetings. It outlines guidelines for motions, debates, voting, and amendments, aiming to facilitate discussions and decision-making in a structured and democratic manner.

Discussion

Hanson Bridgett LLP staff will be providing training to TAAC members on the Robert's Rules of Order at the September 3rd meeting.

Recommendation

None – this is an informational item.

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Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee

DATE: Wednesday, July 30, 2025

PLACE: Bray Community Room, Dublin Civic Center,

100 Civic Plaza, Dublin, CA 94568

TIME: 3:30 p.m.

<u>DRAFT MINUTES</u>

1. Call to Order

The Chair Shawn Costello called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

2. Roll Call

Members Present:

Judith LaMarre
Susan O'Neill
Shawn Costello
Sue Tuite

City of Livermore
City of Dublin
City of Dublin

Andrea Renzulli City of Dublin – Alternate

Jennifer White City of Pleasanton

Jeffrey Jacobsen City of Pleasanton – Alternate

Herb Hastings
Janeen Rubino-Brumm
Kathryn Gilbreth
County of Alameda
Social Services
Social Services

Esther Waltz PAPCO Representative

Staff Present:

Christy WegenerLAVTAMichael TobinLAVTAKadri KulmLAVTA

John Sanderson County Connection

Christian Sanchez
Renato Cruz
Maple Wesley
Transdev
Transdev

Regina Flores MV

Rebecca Mitchell MV Amanda Rivera MV

Guests:

Trevor Taniguchi Hanson Bridgett

3. Approval of Agenda and Modifications if necessary

Approved.

Costello/Waltz

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. Welcome New Members and Revie of Committee Bylaws

Staff and committee members welcomed the new members Janeen Rubino-Brumm and Kathryn Gilbreth representing Social Services, Jeffrey Jacobsen, City of Pleasanton alternate, and Andrea Renzulli, City of Dublin alternate. Staff briefly summarized the committee bylaws.

6. Committee Training on the Brown Act

Trevor Taniguchi from Hanson Brigett gave a presentation on the Brown Act.

7. Election of the Chair and Vice Chair

The committee members elected Herb Hastings for the committee Chair position and Jennifer White for the committee's Vice-Chair position.

Approved. Hastings/Waltz

Hastings/waitz

8. Minutes of the May 7, 2025 meeting of the Committee

Approved.

Hastings/ Tuite

9. Establish TAAC Meeting Dates/Times and Location for FY2026

The committee voted to have the FY26 meetings at the Pleasanton Senior Center, and established the following meeting dates for FY26 for 3:30pm to 4:30pm:

- o September 3, 2025
- o November 5, 2025
- o January 7, 2026
- o March 4, 2026, and
- o May 6, 2026

Approved. White/Tuite

10. Staff Updates

Staff updated the committee on 5310 grant application, Wheels fixed route upcoming service changes, Para-Taxi reimbursement request submittal period change, and Go Tri-Valley voucher amount change.

11. PAPCO Report

Esher Waltzreported on the latest PAPCO/ParaTAC joint meeting, which served as an Alameda County disabled and older adults needs assessment outreach. Staff is to email the link for the survey to TAAC members.

12. Verbal Service Updates & Concerns

Members talked about difficulties they have been experiencing alighting from Route 10 buses with a mobility device in downtown Pleasanton at the First and Neal stop as the bus drivers do not always align the door with the concrete pad and instead drop passengers off on the grass. Sue Tuite reported such incident on Friday night (7/25) when a Road Supervisor was called out. Herb Hastings shared photographs of the bus stop in question and Esther Waltz added that cars park too close to the bus stop, making maneuvering difficult.

Shawn Costello reported a bus stop on Case and Valley that has no bench, only a pole, which is in the bushes.

Sue Tuite reported on a bus ride when she had to argue with the driver about mobility aid tie-downs. Regina Flores responded that the driver was retrained.

Herb Hastings announced that he is involved with CCTA in Contra Costa County now.

13. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: FY26 Fare Increase Scenarios

FROM: Christy Wegener, Executive Director

DATE: September 3, 2025

Action Requested

Staff recommend the Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee (TAAC) receive information on the FY26 fare increase scenarios and provide feedback to staff.

Background

LAVTA has made changes to its fares and fare structure throughout the years to respond to economic conditions, ridership trends and the introduction of new technology, but it has been over 16 years since an increase was made to the fixed route fare. Notably, the following changes have taken place:

- 2000
 - Fixed Route one-way fare -\$1.00
 - o Paratransit fare \$1.00
- 2006
 - o Fixed Route one-way fare -\$1.50
 - Fixed Route Monthly Pass
 - Regular \$45.00
 - Senior/disabled -\$12.00
 - o Paratransit fare -\$2.50
- 2009
 - o Fixed Route one-way fare \$2.00
 - o Fixed Route Monthly Pass
 - Regular \$60.00
 - Senior/disabled -\$18.00
 - o Paratransit fare \$3.50
- 2015:

- o Implementation of Clipper
 - Introduction of Day Pass Accumulator on Clipper
 - Regular \$3.75
 - Senior/disabled \$1.75
 - Introduction of rolling 31-day pass on Clipper
 - Regular \$60.00
 - Senior/disabled \$18.00
- 2019:
 - Elimination of paper transfers
 - o Introduction of paper Day Pass \$3.75
 - Elimination of Fare Busters (discounted 10-pack paper tickets at \$16.00)
 - Replace with Youth Fare on Clipper \$1.60
 - o Increase of the paratransit fare to \$3.75
 - o Increase in the Senior/disabled monthly pass to \$22
- **2020-2024**: All remaining scheduled fare increases were postponed and then subsequently cancelled, including:
 - o Increase in the paratransit fare to \$4.00
 - o Increase in the senior/disabled monthly pass to \$25.00

Understanding Bay Area Transit Agency Fares

There are a variety of fare policies, pass products and fare amounts across Bay Area transit agencies. Some agencies offer a higher cash fare and discounted Clipper® fare; many offer half-priced or free youth fares; many charge the maximum allowable for paratransit, but not all. The following is a summary of the fare products and amounts across several transit agencies:

Agency	Adult	Day Pass	Monthly Pass	Paratransit
	Single Ride			
LAVTA	\$2	\$3.75^	\$60	\$3.75
County Connection	\$2.50/\$2*	\$3.75^	\$60	\$5.00
AC Transit	\$2.75/\$2.50*	\$6/\$5.50*	\$90	\$4-\$7**
Tri Delta Transit	\$2	\$3.75^	\$57	\$2.75
Santa Clara VTA	\$2.50	\$7.50^^	\$90^^	\$4
Muni	\$3/\$2.85*	\$5.70^^	\$86^^	\$2.75

Discussion

As noted above, LAVTA hasn't raised its fixed route fares since 2009. LAVTA staff have developed several fare increase scenarios that respond to the need to increase revenue to address a structural budget issue, and are in the range of fares charged throughout the Bay Area. The ultimate goal will be to maximize potential fare revenue without incurring a substantial loss in ridership. Additionally, staff is applying the following principles to the scenario development:

- Compatibility within the Clipper 1.0 system.
- Continuing to provide a 50% discount on Senior/ADA fares.
- Capping paratransit fares at 2x the regular single ride fare.
- Eliminating the Clipper \$1.60 youth fare because of the availability of the Alameda County Student Transit Pass.

The following fare scenarios have been developed for discussion purposes (only Regular fares are shown):

Scenario	Regular Single Ride	Regular Day Pass	Regular Monthly Pass	Paratransit
Current	\$2	\$3.75	\$60	\$3.75
1	\$2.25	\$4.50	\$67.50	<\$4.50
2	\$2.50	\$5	\$75	<\$5
3	\$2.75	\$5.50	\$82.50	<\$5.50
4	\$3	\$6	\$90	<\$6

^{*}Clipper

^{**}Distance-based fares

[^]LAVTA, County Connection, Tri Delta Transit and WestCAT all share a day pass accumulator product priced at \$3.75

^{^^}Includes rail

Next Steps

Staff will receive the TAAC's feedback on the different fare increase scenarios; the feedback will be incorporated into the draft fare increase proposal which will be presented to the LAVTA Committees at their September meetings.

Any fare increase must adhere to the agency's Title VI plan and will require a public comment period and public hearing. If approved by January 1, 2026, the earliest the fare changes could be implemented in Clipper would be April 1, 2026.

Recommendation

Staff recommend the TAAC provide feedback on the potential fare increase scenarios.

Attachment

Fare Increase Scenario Presentation

FY26 Fare Increase Scenarios

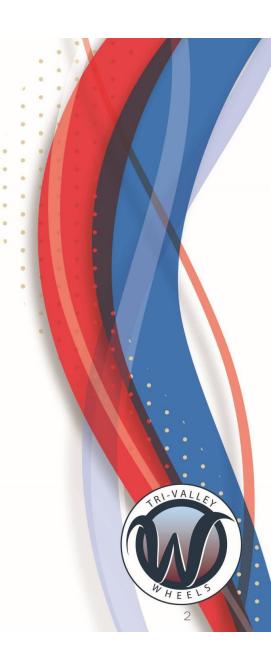
Christy Wegener, Executive Director September 3, 2025

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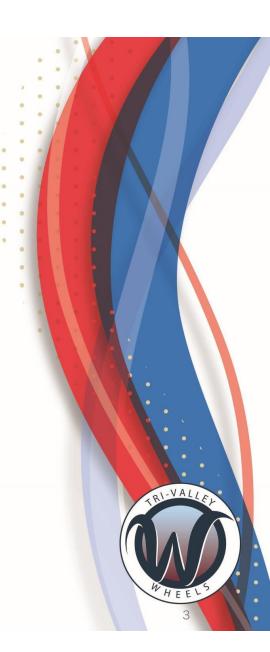
Presentation Overview

- Why Consider a Fare Increase
- History of LAVTA Fare Changes
- Fares Across the Bay Area
- Overview of Fare Increase Scenarios
- Next Steps
- Discussion and Feedback

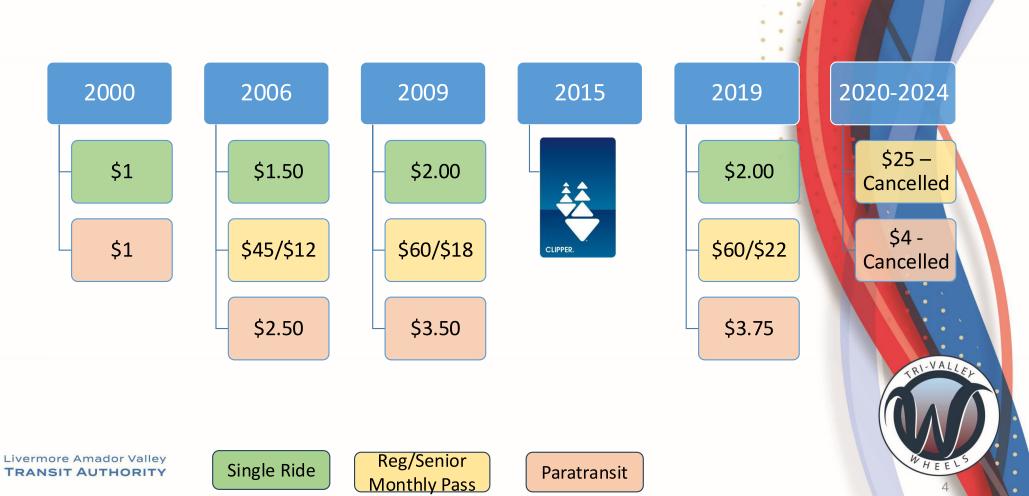


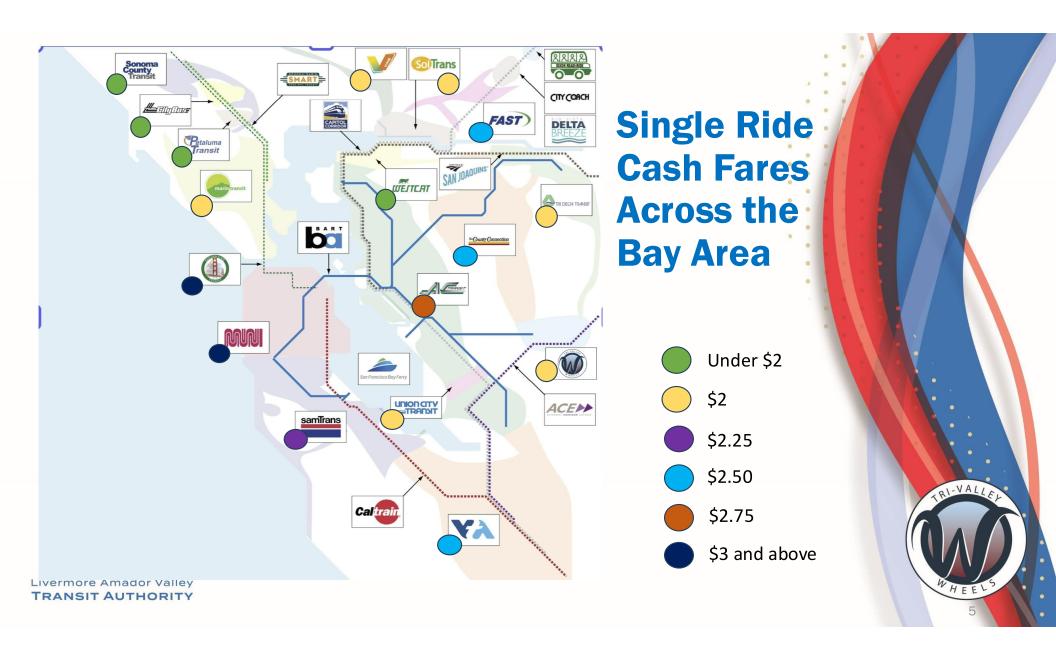
Why Study a Fare Increase

- Costs are outpacing revenues
- FY 2026 budget gap of \$2.6M closed with reserves
- Long term structural deficit
 - Need to address service levels and increase revenues
- Fare increase last implemented in 2009



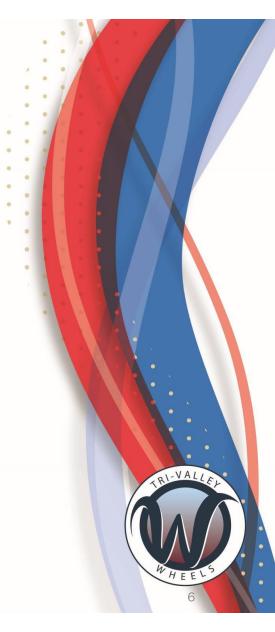
LAVTA's History Of Fares





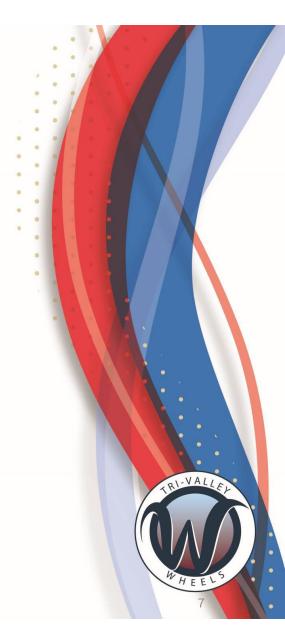
Fare Scenario Development

- Includes required Federal cap for paratransit fare (2x) and minimum discount for Senior/ADA (50%)
- Assumes youth Clipper fare of \$1.60 is eliminated and replaced with regular single ride fare
- Uses existing monthly pass multiplier (30x)
- Increases day pass multiplier to 2x
- Must be compatible with Clipper 1.0
- Projects lost ridership using fare elasticity model from the Transit Cooperative Research Program



Fare Increase Scenarios

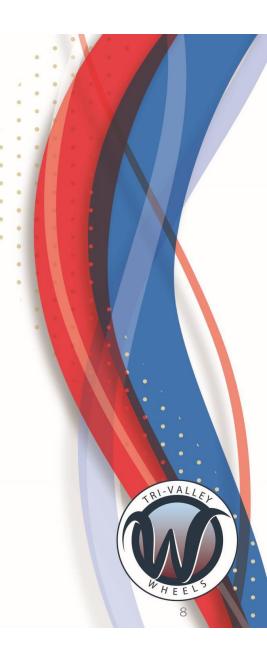
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2	\$2.50	<\$5
3	\$2.75	<\$5.50
4	\$3	<\$6



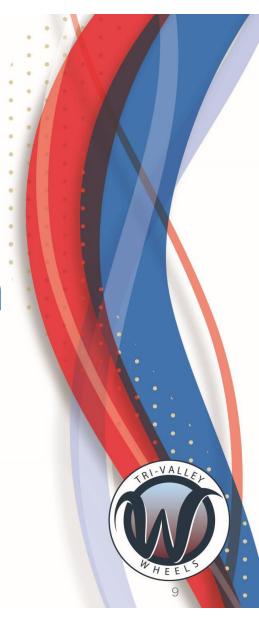
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Next Steps

- Staff receives TAAC feedback
- Staff crafts draft proposal presents to both LAVTA Committees in September
- Board presentation in October
 - Open public comment period and set public hearing
- Public outreach period with public hearing at the November Board meeting
 - Solicit input from riders per Title VI and Public Hearing policies
 - Presentation to TAAC at November 5 meeting
- Consider approval at the December 1 Board meeting



Questions and Discussion



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STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Update on NB Bus Stop at First & Neal

FROM: Michael Tobin, Director of Operations & Planning

DATE: September 3, 2025

Action Requested

Staff recommends that the Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee (TAAC) receive and file this informational update on the northbound bus stop at First Street and Neal Street.

Background

In 2023, TAAC members requested staff to review the northbound Route 8 stop located at First Street and Neal Street due to accessibility challenges. At that time, staff coordinated with the City of Pleasanton to explore potential improvements. The only feasible option identified was to expand the existing concrete pad by removing several nearby trees. The City was not amenable to tree removal, and as a result, no modifications were made.

Recently, the issue was revisited, and LAVTA staff again began discussions with the City to explore alternative solutions.

Discussion

The City has proposed constructing a new concrete pad closer to the intersection, between the crosswalk and the fire hydrant (see photo below).



In August, LAVTA staff and City traffic engineering staff conducted a joint site visit to evaluate the operational feasibility and safety of boarding and alighting at this proposed location. Following the field review, it was determined that a 40-foot bus could safely serve the stop from the new pad.

Next Steps

The City of Pleasanton has issued a work order to construct the new pad. A construction start date has not yet been communicated.

Recommendation

None -this item is informational only

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STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: TAAC Meeting Location for FY26

FROM: Kadri Külm, Senior Paratransit Planner

DATE: September 3, 2025

Action Required

None – this is an informational update.

Background

Due to the changes to the Wheels bus routes in the Fall of 2016, which were based on the Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA), the closest bus stop to LAVTA's administrative office, where the TAAC meetings traditionally were held, is a longer distance away (0.5 mile) than the closest bus stop prior to the COA changes.

In response to the feedback on the distance to the Route 14 bus stop the TAAC decided to hold the meetings at alternate fixed route accessible locations, rotating annually at each Tri-Valley City (Livermore, Dublin, and Pleasanton). The meetings in FY16/17 were held at the Pleasanton Senior Center, FY 17/18 in Dublin Civic Center/Library, and FY 18/19 in Livermore Community Center. During the Covid-19 pandemic the meetings were held virtually via Zoom and after that at the LAVTA administrative office boardroom in Livermore. In November 2024 TAAC voted to re-establish rotating TAAC meeting locations annually at each Tri-Valley city (Livermore, Dublin, and Pleasanton), and to hold the remainder of the FY25 meetings at the Dublin Civic Center. At the July, 2025 meeting TAAC voted to hold the FY26 meetings at the Pleasanton Senior Center.

Discussion

Staff reached out to the Pleasanton Senior Center and found out that the senior center, unfortunately, does not have the required technological capabilities for hosting virtual public meetings. This technology and setup would include reliable Wi-Fi, a large monitor/TV, a robust camera system, and IT support. LAVTA then reached out to the Roberts Livermore Community Center, where TAAC has held meetings in the past, but the same issue arose - the Livermore Community Center

does not offer any audiovisual equipment or tech support. In the past (before the Covid-19 pandemic) when TAAC had rotating meetings between the three Tri-Valley cities the meetings were held in-person only and therefore the challenges that come with hosting virtual public meetings were not there.

Staff will continue to look for solutions to this challenge and for the time being the TAAC meetings will be held at the LAVTA/Wheels administrative office in Livermore until further notice.

Recommendation

None – this is an informational update.