

LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
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Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee

DATE: Wednesday, January 7, 2026

PLACE: LAVTA Offices, Room 110
1362 Rutan Court, Suite 100, Livermore

TIME: 3:30 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The Chair Herb Hastings called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

2. Roll Call

Members Present:

Susan O'Neill	City of Livermore
Judith LaMarre	City of Livermore
Sue Tuite	City of Dublin
Carmen Rivera-Hendrickson	City of Pleasanton
Jennifer White	City of Pleasanton
Shawn Costello	City of Dublin
Andrea Renzulli	City of Dublin – Alternate
Herb Hastings	County of Alameda
Kathryn Gilbreth	Social Services

Staff Present:

Christy Wegener	LAVTA
Kadri Kulm	LAVTA
Mike Tobin	LAVTA
Cyrus Sheik	LAVTA
Ethan Yeung	LAVTA
Rosa Noya	CCCTA
Renato Cruz	Transdev
Maple Wesley	Transdev
Christian Sanchez	Transdev

Regina Flores	MV
Sylvia Oliva	MV
Rebecca Mitchell	MV
Amanda Rivera	MV

Guests:

Julie Testa	LAVTA Board Chair
Michael Conneran	Hanson Bridgett

3. Approval of Agenda and Modifications if necessary

Approved.

Renzulli/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. Minutes of the November 5, 2025 meeting of the Committee

Approved with the following corrections:

Item 5, Renzulli: "I wanted to see if we can extend the public comment period."

Item 12, Renzulli: "I heard from two seniors regarding having to wait for several buses to go by at the Las Positas bus stop because there was no space on the bus."

Costello/Tuite

Costello and Rivera-Hendrickson abstained

6. FY26 Fare Increase Proposal

Staff presented the FY26 fare increase update. At their December 1st, 2025 meeting LAVTA board of directors approved the fare increase, which includes Dial-A-Ride ticket price increase from \$3.75 to \$4, senior/disabled fare from \$1 to \$1.25, and the Senior/ADA Day Pass from \$1.75 to \$2. The 25-cent Dial-A-Ride ticket price increase reflects TAAC's recommendation. The fare increase will be implemented on April 1, 2026. Dial-A-Tickets will remain \$3.75 until April 1st.

Committee members were pleased that staff listened to the TAAC's feedback.

7. FY26 Remote Meetings for Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee SB 707

Staff gave a presentation on the Senate Bill 707, which allows certain advisory bodies, such as TAAC, to hold meetings where members can participate remotely. The TAAC members were provided with "Questions and Answers

About the New Law that Allows the TAAC to Meet Remotely” information sheet and there was a questions and answers session.

TAAC forwarded their recommendation to LAVTA board to approve the new remote meeting option created by Senate Bill 707 (2025) and to designate LAVTA offices as the physical meeting location.

Approved.

Tuite/Costello

8. Pleasanton Bus Service Planning

Staff updated the committee on the downtown Pleasanton Route 10R operational challenges due to street closures during events and a popular ice-cream shop’s drive-thru cars blocking the 10R bus stop. To support LAVTA in finding a permanent solution, the agency has hired Nelson\Nygaard to assist with developing a long-term service solution. Staff presented two service options with maps for the 10R.

The next steps include a public workshop on January 13th and there is also a survey online from January 5th to January 23rd. Both of these outreach efforts will be used to inform a final decision in the spring of 2026.

9. Dial-A-Ride Operations and Maintenance Subcontractor Update

Staff updated the committee on the Wheels Dial-A-Ride operations subcontractor change. BigStar is being phased out, and the new subcontractor is SilverRide. SilverRide’s vehicles include wheelchair accessible minivans, sedans and crossovers, and their vehicles are marked with Wheels logos on both the driver and passenger side front doors.

10. Chair’s Report

The Chair Herb Hastings reported on several items, including Clipper 2.0 update, BART’s Accessibility Committee still looking for new members, Fairgrounds bus stop, and sound testing for gates at the Concord BART station.

11. Verbal Service Updates & Concerns

Sue Tuite said that some of the drivers do not tie her scooter down correctly and she would like to train the drivers. Sue will be coordinating with MV Transit to attend a safety meeting.

Carmen Rivera-Hendrickson said that she has encountered problems on buses traveling with her oxygen tanks, which some people are scared of, but they are secured. She would also like to attend a safety meeting to train the drivers as well.

Shawn Costello added that drivers should be willing to work with people with disabilities and have empathy.

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:54 pm.