

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 5, 2026
LAVTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Testa called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Members

Members Present

Julie Testa – Chair, City of Pleasanton

David Haubert – Vice Chair, County of Alameda

Craig Eicher – City of Pleasanton

Evan Branning – City of Livermore

Kristie Wang – City of Livermore

Jean Josey – City of Dublin

Michael McCorriston – City of Dublin

3. Meeting Open to Public

Public comment received:

Received via email from Jacky Poulsen, Founder of Tri Valley Bus Pass Program:

The Tri Valley Bus Pass Program began almost ten years ago when I learned that many unhoused and other underserved residents of the Tri Valley had no means of getting the services they needed, because they had no car and no financial means to buy bus passes. Since then, this small grassroots program has grown to provide many thousands of Wheels bus passes to those in greatest need. The Tri Valley community has embraced this program and has been very generous in supporting our efforts. At the inception of the program, LAVTA matched the first \$1500 we received from the community in donations. That was greatly appreciated and really helped us kick start the program. Since that time, however, we have been paying full fare for every bus pass. Over the past five years alone, we have purchased over \$100,000 in Wheels bus passes! We issue these bus passes to a variety of service organizations. They, in turn, distribute the passes to their clients based on need. Receiving a discount for bus passes will not reduce our spending with LAVTA, but instead it will enable us to increase the number of passes we can provide the needy in our community. On behalf of those who need access to bus transportation in order to obtain basic human services, I thank you so much for providing us with more affordable bus passes.

4. Consent Agenda A – C

A. Minutes of the December 1, 2025 Board of Directors meeting

B. Treasurer's Report for November 2025

C. DBE Policy Update

Approved Resolution 02-2026 and the updated DBE policy.

The Board approved Items A, B, and C

Motion/Second: Haubert / Eicher

Aye: Testa, Haubert, McCorriston, Josey, Eicher, Branning, Wang

No: None

Abstain: None

5. Contract Award for RFP #2025-08 for Wheels Access Mobility Management Services

The Board received an update on the procurement of Wheels Access Mobility Management, including the RFP timeline, vendor responses, and cost. Staff recommend the contract be awarded to ADARide.com. The services are included in the FY26 budget and are partially supported by grant funding from Alameda CTC. Staff outlined next steps, including contract execution and issuance of a tentative notice to proceed by February 1, pending Board approval.

The Board had several questions, including how the new service would be integrated with the existing call center, whether this service could be rolled into a future paratransit contract, the anticipated cost per touch point/travel navigator, whether there is a language line for non-English speakers, and how proactive outreach will be conducted.

The Board approved Resolution 01-2026, a two-year base contract to ADARide.com.

Motion/Second: Eicher / Haubert

Aye: Testa, Haubert, McCorriston, Josey, Eicher, Branning, Wang

No: None

Abstain: None

6. Innovative Clean Transit Regulation Overview and Zero Emissions Transition Status Update

This was an informational item.

Staff provided a high-level overview of the CARB Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) and Zero Emission Bus (ZEB) transition, including regulatory requirements, exemption considerations, and ongoing planning efforts. Board members raised questions regarding the cost-effectiveness of the program, the limited number of zero-emission bus manufacturers, and the reliability and long-term costs of both battery-electric and hydrogen fuel cell technologies. Concerns were also expressed about hydrogen fuel costs, infrastructure readiness, and uncertainty surrounding long-term funding availability.

7. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Wegener reported that November systemwide ridership had decreased by 8% compared to the prior year. Automatic Passenger Counter (APC) data for the same period reflected higher boardings and a smaller year-over-year decline. An update was provided on the Pleasanton Bus Service Planning project, and upcoming Ad Hoc Committee and Projects and

Services Committee discussions. Operational updates were discussed related to efforts to improve on-time performance and connectivity. Executive Director Wegener also provided an update on next steps related to the FY26 FTA Low-No grant. Wegener noted the comment from Jacky Poulsen earlier in the agenda, and that staff intends to support the Tri Valley Bus Pass Program by offering a 20% discount on bulk ticket orders. Wegener noted that LAVTA administrative offices will be closed on Monday, January 19, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

8. Adjourn to CLOSED SESSION

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 5:34 p.m.

**9. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code § 54957(b)(1)
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GOALS 2026**

10. Reconvene to OPEN SESSION

Meeting reconvened at 5:48 p.m.

Legal advised: The board met in closed session to complete the General Manager's evaluation and goal setting process. No action was taken

11. Matters Initiated by the Board of Directors

No matters were initiated.

12. Next Meeting Date is Scheduled for: February 2, 2026

13. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:51pm.

LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Treasurer's Report for December 2025

FROM: Tamara Edwards, Director of Finance

DATE: February 2, 2026

Action Requested

Review and approve the LAVTA Treasurer's Report for December 2025.

Cash accounts:

Our petty cash account (101) has a balance of \$200, and our ticket sales change account (102) continues with a balance of \$240 (these two accounts should not change).

General checking account activity (105):

Beginning balance December 1, 2025	\$1,689,855.89
Payments made	\$1,989,751.10
Deposits made	\$346,734.50
Transfer from LAIF	\$2,000,000.00
Ending balance December 31, 2025	\$2,046,839.29

Farebox account activity (106):

Beginning balance December 1, 2025	\$146,302.60
Deposits made	\$109,840.75
Ending balance December 31, 2025	\$156,143.86

LAIF investment account activity (135):

Beginning balance December 1, 2025	\$31,627,414.14
Transfer to General Checking	\$2,000,000.00
Ending balance December 31, 2025	\$29,627,414.14

Operating Expenditures and Revenues Summary:

As this is the sixth month of the fiscal year, in order to stay on target for the budget this year expenses (at least the ones that occur on a monthly basis) should not be higher than 50%. The agency is at 45% overall.

Operating Revenues Summary:

While expenses are at 45%, revenues are at 66% providing for a healthy cash flow.

Contracts Executed in December by the Executive Director between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

- 1) \$54,450 Paine Construction: Rutan Dispatch Floor

Recommendation

The Finance and Administration Committee recommend that the Board of Directors approve the December 2025 Treasurer's Report.

Strategic Plan Goal: Organizational and Financial Management

Attachments:

1. December 2025 Treasurer's Report

**LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING:
December 31, 2025**

ASSETS:

101 PETTY CASH	200	
102 TICKET SALES CHANGE	240	
105 CASH - GENERAL CHECKING	2,046,839	
106 CASH - FIXED ROUTE ACCOUNT	256,143	
107 Clipper Cash	956,093	
109 BOC	46	
120 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	380,524	
135 INVESTMENTS - LAIF	29,627,414	
13599 INVESTMENTS - LAIF Mark to Market	28,360	
14001 Due From Rail	2,930,530	
150 PREPAID EXPENSES	165,562	
160 OPEB ASSET	67,698	
165 DEFERRED OUTFLOW-Pension Related	567,050	
166 DEFERRED OUTFLOW-OPEB	656,498	
170 INVESTMENTS HELD AT CALTIP	0	
175 CEPPT RESTRICTED INVESTMENTS	442,623	
111 NET PROPERTY COSTS	53,143,153	
TOTAL ASSETS		91,268,973

LIABILITIES:

205 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	320,819	
211 PRE-PAID REVENUE	2,028,309	
21101 Clipper to be distributed	885,997	
22000 FEDERAL INCOME TAXES PAYABLE	0	
22010 STATE INCOME TAX	38	
22020 FICA MEDICARE	(47)	
22050 PERS HEALTH PAYABLE	0	
22040 PERS RETIREMENT PAYABLE	(98)	
22030 SDI TAXES PAYABLE	0	
22070 AMERICAN FIDELITY INSURANCE PAYABLE	(1,878)	
22090 WORKERS' COMPENSATION PAYABLE	143,642	
22100 PERS-457	0	
22110 Direct Deposit Clearing	0	
22120 Compensated absences	135,743	
23101 Net Pension Liability	1,325,703	
23105 Deferred Inflow- OPEB Related	285,799	
23104 Deferred Inflow- Pension Related	172,348	
23103 INSURANCE CLAIMS PAYABLE	7,925	
23102 UNEMPLOYMENT RESERVE	7,889	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		5,312,188

FUND BALANCE:

301 FUND RESERVE	60,465,256	
304 GRANTS, DONATIONS, PAID-IN CAPITAL	32,140,057	
30401 SALE OF BUSES & EQUIPMENT	86,871	
FUND BALANCE	(6,735,400)	
TOTAL FUND BALANCE		85,956,784
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE		91,268,973

(\$ Thousands)

	FY 2026												FY 2026	YTD % of Budget
	Actual Jul-25	Actual Aug-25	Actual Sep-25	Actual Oct-25	Actual Nov-25	Actual Dec-25	Budget Jan-26	Budget Feb-26	Budget Mar-26	Budget Apr-26	Budget May-26	Budget Jun-26		
Operating Revenue														
Passenger Fares	33	62	45	65	247	199	299	299	299	299	299	299	2,442	27%
Other Income	442	4	15,219	798	247	247	1,234	1,234	1,234	1,234	1,234	1,234	24,363	70%
Total Operating Revenue	475	66	15,264	863	494	446	1,533	1,533	1,533	1,533	1,533	1,533	26,805	66%
Operating Expenses														
Labor	161	163	164	241	158	155	183	183	183	183	183	183	2,137	49%
Fringe Benefits	225	71	65	87	66	78	149	149	149	149	149	149	1,485	40%
Services	173	276	140	169	168	162	212	212	212	212	212	212	2,360	46%
Purchased Transportation	1,212	1,251	1,248	1,319	1,307	1,253	1,621	1,621	1,621	1,621	1,621	1,621	17,318	44%
Fuel and Supplies	52	128	98	54	127	105	169	169	169	169	169	169	1,582	36%
Utilities	50	33	33	34	33	40	50	50	50	50	50	50	520	43%
Insurance	777	-4	-17	0	0	-8	22	22	22	22	22	22	880	85%
Taxes	5	12	10	8	12	10	9	9	9	9	9	9	114	50%
Advertising	0	2	2	3	2	1	20	20	20	20	20	20	130	7%
Misc.	28	2	14	8	6	13	35	35	35	35	35	35	279	26%
Total Operating Expenses	2,685	1,933	1,757	1,923	1,877	1,810	2,470	2,470	2,470	2,470	2,470	2,470	26,805	45%
Expenditures														
Fund Balance - Operating Net	-2,210	-1,867	13,507	-1,060	-1,383	-1,364	-937	-937	-937	-937	-937	-937	0	
Fund Balance - Capital*	0	-2	-99	-142	-206	-86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Fund Balace - Operating and Capital	-2,210	-1,869	13,408	-1,202	-1,589	-1,449	-937	-937	-937	-937	-937	-937	0	
Reserves (Cash and Investments)														
Unrestricted	\$28,548,382													
Restricted														
Total Reserves	28,548	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

* Capital only shows actual expenses

Attachment 1

(\$ Thousands)

(\$ Thousands)	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025															Budget FY 2025	YTD % of Budget							
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	24-Sep	Actual	24-Oct	Actual	24-Nov	Actual	24-Dec	Actual	25-Jan	Actual	25-Feb	Actual			25-Mar	Actual	25-Apr	Actual	25-May	Actual	25-Jun
Operating Revenue																										
Passenger Fares		2,242	206	82	112		80	206	167	163	203	69	224	211	490	2,213	2,600									85%
Other Income	17,334	19,092	205	15	547		350	14,001	530	2,028	348	251	110	322	-232	18,476	22,497									82%
Total Operating Revenue	19,475	21,335	411	97	659		430	14,207	696	2,190	551	320	2,211	534	258	22,567	25,097									
Operating Expenses																										
Labor	1,589	1,788	148	153	152		152	231	153	153	154	151	155	234	188	2,024	2,244									90%
Fringe Benefits	1,088	1,279	203	67	62		58	63	75	21	120	645	75	84	-265	1,208	1,657									73%
Services	2,183	1,887	370	156	74		87	219	232	181	94	185	172	147	268	2,186	2,754									79%
Purchased Transportation	12,063	13,556	958	1,038	1,316		1,088	1,028	1,017	1,073	1,447	1,200	1,189	1,196	1,609	14,203	14,751									96%
Fuel and Supplies	1,314	1,337	28	154	72		100	27	149	69	118	110	70	96	158	1,151	1,948									59%
Utilities	375	464	46	32	34		33	39	35	43	31	36	40	31	68	467	521									90%
Insurance	558	731	734	-1	-6		0	1	-1	0	0	-5	2	-4	137	857	649									132%
Taxes	104	133	2	14	7		12	2	15	9	9	10	13	9	17	120	112									107%
Advertising	36	83	0	8	5		1	2	1	14	1	0	5	0	13	50	174									29%
Misc.	167	77	52	35	21		29	46	19	49	-62	23	7	20	61	299	288									104%
Total Operating Expenses	19,475	21,335	2,541	1,656	1,738		1,561	1,657	1,695	1,612	1,912	2,355	1,728	1,814	2,255	22,524	25,097									90%
Excess Revenue Over (Under) Expenses																										
Capital Expenditures																										
Fund Balance - Operating	0	0	-2,129	-1,559	-1,079		-1,130	12,550	-999	579	-1,361	-2,035	484	-1,280	-1,996	0	0									
Fund Balance - Capital	0	0	0	-4	-10		-7	-27	-100	-296	-172	-331	-36	-450	-3,170	0	0									
Fund Balance - Operating and Capital	0	0	-2,129	-1,563	-1,089		-1,138	12,522	-1,099	282	-1,533	-2,366	447	-1,730	-5,166	0	0									
Reserves (Cash and Investments)																										
Unrestricted	26478138	21418976																								
Restricted	204032	322062																								
Total Reserves	26,682,170	21,741,038	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0									

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Authorizing Remote Meetings for Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee (SB 707)

FROM: Christy Wegener, Executive Director

DATE: February 2, 2026

Action Requested

The Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee (TAAC) requests that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution 04-2026, authorizing a remote meeting option created by Senate Bill 707 (2025) for the Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee.

Background and Discussion

Senate Bill 707 (2025) amended the Brown Act to allow certain advisory bodies, referred to as "eligible subsidiary bodies," to hold meetings where members participate remotely. The Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee (TAAC) qualifies as an advisory committee under this provision. To use this authority, the Board of Directors (Board) must adopt the following findings: (1) that the Board has considered the circumstances of the TAAC; (2) that the public has been made aware of the type of remote participation and has been provided with an opportunity to comment at an in-person meeting of the Board; and (3) that teleconference meetings of the TAAC will improve the attraction, retention, and diversity of TAAC members. These findings must be readopted every six months.

SB 707 requires that when an eligible advisory body submits a request to make a recommendation to the governing board, the board must place the matter on an agenda for discussion within 60 days of receiving it.

The TAAC discussed this at their January 2026 meeting and agreed that remote participation would be beneficial and are making that request of the LAVTA Board. The TAAC designated the Diana Lauterbach Conference Room as the designated location to host the remote meetings.

Recommendation

Staff recommend that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution 04-2026, authorizing a remote meeting option created by Senate Bill 707 (2025) for the Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee.

Strategic Plan Goal Area
None Identified

Attachments:

1. Resolution 04-2026

RESOLUTION NO. 04-2026**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY ON REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR THE TRI-VALLEY ACCESSIBLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA Board) established the Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee (TAAC) to advise LAVTA staff on accessibility issues facing senior and disabled residents on fixed route buses and Dial-A-Ride paratransit services; and

WHEREAS, beginning January 1, 2026, Senate Bill 707 (SB 707) amended the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code 54950 et seq.) for certain committees designated as eligible subsidiary bodies to hold remote meetings upon findings by the LAVTA Board that remote participation will: (i) enhance public access, (ii) utilize a remote meeting system, and (iii) improve attraction, retention, and diversity of members of the eligible subsidiary body; and

WHEREAS, eligible subsidiary bodies are defined as committees that serve exclusively in an advisory capacity and are not authorized to take final action on legislation, regulations, contracts, licenses, permits, or any other entitlements, grants, or allocations of funds, nor have subject matter jurisdiction, as defined by charter, ordinance, resolution, or any formal action of the legislative body that created the subsidiary body, over elections, budgets, police oversight, privacy, removal or restriction of materials in public libraries, or taxes or related spending proposals; and

WHEREAS, the TAAC serves exclusively in an advisory capacity, is not authorized to take final action on legislation, regulations, contracts, licenses, permits, or any other entitlements, grants, or allocations of funds, and does not have subject matter jurisdiction over elections, budgets, police oversight, privacy, removal or restriction of materials in public libraries, or taxes or related spending proposals, and therefore qualifies as an eligible subsidiary body; and

WHEREAS, at its December 1 meeting, the LAVTA Board received a report regarding the process for LAVTA to allow the TAAC to meet remotely; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on January 7, 2026 the TAAC received a report regarding remote participation under SB 707 and voted to request that the LAVTA Board authorize it to hold meetings remotely and designated the Diana Lauterbach Room at the LAVTA Offices at 1362 Rutan Court, Livermore, CA, as the fixed location to host the remote meetings; and

WHEREAS, the LAVTA Board finds that allowing remote participation for the TAAC under SB 707 would enhance public access to TAAC meetings by enabling remote public participation; and

WHEREAS, the LAVTA Board further finds that allowing remote participation for the TAAC under SB 707 would promote the attraction, retention, and diversity of TAAC members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority that authorizing the Tri-Valley Accessible Advisory Committee (TAAC) to participate remotely as an eligible subsidiary body under Senate Bill 707, effective January 1, 2026, will increase public access to TAAC meetings and promote the attraction, retention, and diversity of TAAC members;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Diana Lauterbach Room at the LAVTA Offices at 1362 Rutan Court, Livermore, CA is designated as the fixed location to host such meetings.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY the governing board of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority on this 2nd day of February, 2026.

Julie Testa, Chair

Attest:

Christy Wegener, Executive Director

LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Capital Projects Update
FROM: David Massa, Capital Projects Manager
DATE: February 2, 2026

Action Requested

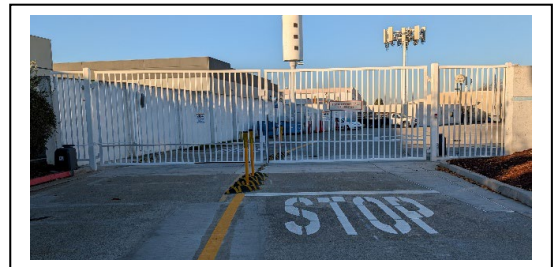
This is an informational update.

Background

The following provides an update on active capital and technology projects. The last update was provided in June 2025.

Discussion

Rutan Gate Project: This project was initiated to replace the failing gate that provides secure access to the bus yard. Construction and equipment installation are now substantially complete. Recent efforts have focused on resolving RFID system issues in coordination with our contractor, Electronic Innovations, and the team is progressing toward system testing and acceptance.



Once this work is finalized, the new gate will be reactivated for testing, acceptance verification, and site closeout. The ninety-day acceptance period will begin once all systems are confirmed to be operating as designed.

Project budget: \$229,489

Status complete: 95%

Rutan Dispatch Floor Replacement Project: The contract for the replacement floor was awarded in December, and the preconstruction meeting was held on January 15. The contractor is currently applying for permits in preparation for the project. Once that is set, the agency will issue an NTP and the project is expected to last 40 days.

Project Budget: \$56,925

Cloud Based Transit Signal Priority (TSP) Upgrade: The project will upgrade transit signal priority on the Rapid corridors using a cloud based, real time system designed to improve on time performance across all three cities. Over fourteen months, Kimley-Horn, LAVTA and city staff jointly evaluated system options and confirmed that the LYT platform best meets shared operational, technical, and integration needs. Kimley Horn has incorporated this input into the final design package, and all cities have approved the planned improvements.

The project is funded through an RM2 grant administered by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission. The first allocation supported the development of plans, specifications, and estimates (PS&E). The second allocation is intended to fund construction and the LYT transit signal priority system, which LAVTA plans to procure through a piggyback opportunity with TriMet.

Project budget: \$2,3007,000

Tri-Valley Passenger Facilities Enhancement Project: This project will improve passenger amenities, including shelters, benches, and real time signage, at three high ridership locations: Dublin Pleasanton BART, Las Positas College, and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. 95% design has been completed and feedback from partners is being collected. The project will be separated into three sub-projects for construction.



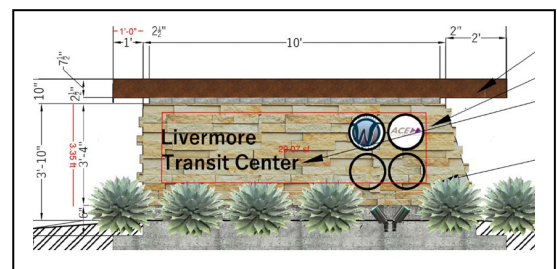
Project budget: \$2,000,000

Livermore Transit Center Improvements: The scope of the improvements at the Livermore Transit Center project are subdivided into three smaller projects.

- **Railroad Court Lighting improvements:** This project improves the lighting in Railroad Court between the Livermore Transit Center and the 30R signature stop on Railroad Ave. Final bid ready design is targeted for the end of February.

Project budget: \$192,000

- **Signage:** This project involves upgrading two monument signs at the Transit Center. Staff reviewed several preliminary designs and agreed on one that was submitted and approved by the city. Kimley-Horn has provided 100% design drawings to the agency. An Invitation for Bids (IFB) will be issued late winter 2026.



Project budget: \$47,000

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Recommendation

None – Information Only

Strategic Plan Goals:

Service Development

Advocacy and Partnerships

Operational Effectiveness