

LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
1362 Rutan Court, Suite 100
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FINANCE and ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

KRISTIE WANG – CHAIR
JULIE TESTA

MICHAEL McCORRISTON – VICE CHAIR

DATE: January 27, 2026

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

TIME: 4:00 p.m.

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**LAVTA FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING
AGENDA
JANUARY 27, 2026**

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call of Members

3. Meeting Open to Public

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4. Minutes of the October 28, 2025 Meeting of the F&A Committee

Recommendation: Approval

5. Treasurer's Report for December 2025

Recommendation: Staff recommend that the Finance and Administration Committee forward the December 2025 Treasurer's Report to the Board of Directors for approval.

6. 2026 Legislative Program

Recommendation: Staff recommends the Finance & Administration Committee refer Resolution 03-2026 to the Board of Directors for approval, affirming LAVTA's 2026 Legislative Program.

8. Matters Initiated by Committee Members

9. Next Meeting Date is Scheduled for: February 24, 2026

10. Adjourn

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<u>/s/ Michelle Kumar</u>	<u>1/22/2026</u>
<u>LAVTA Administrative Services Department</u>	<u>Date</u>

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**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 28,2025
LAVTA FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING
COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**KRISTIE WANG – CHAIR
JULIE TESTA**

MICHAEL McCORRISTON – VICE CHAIR

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order 4:00

2. Roll Call of Members

Members Present

Kristie Wang – City of Livermore

Michael McCorriston – City of Dublin

Julie Testa – City of Pleasanton

Members Absent

None

3. Meeting Open to Public

No public comments received online, or in person.

4. Minutes of the September 23, 2025 Meeting of the F&A Committee

Approved

There were no public comments received

Motion/Second: McCorriston/Testa

Aye: Testa, Wang, McCorriston

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

5. Treasurer's Report for September 2025

Approved

There were no public comments received

Motion/Second: Testa/McCorriston

Aye: Testa, Wang, McCorriston

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

6. Changes to the Treasurer's Report

Staff presented the updated Treasurer's Report format, explaining that it streamlines the information while retaining all required financial details. The balance sheet will remain, and a simplified spreadsheet with a prior-year comparison on the reverse will replace the multiple pages previously provided. Staff clarified that uneven revenue timing—such as semester payments from Las Positas and irregular Clipper payments—can make certain months appear irregular. Reserve balances do not change monthly, and at the Committee's request, staff will include the annual reserve amount to avoid confusion.

As this was an informational item, staff asked whether to return the revised format to the Committee or proceed directly to the Board. Because the Committee is unlikely to meet in November or December, members agreed it would be most efficient for staff to make the noted edits and include the new format in the December Board packet. Staff may share revisions individually to avoid Brown Act issues, and any further feedback can be addressed in future cycles.

7. Draft Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)

Staff presented what is effectively the final ACFR for FY 2025, noting the financials are complete and no material changes are expected. The report remains labeled as a draft only while auditors await final OMB clearance. Staff described this year's audit process, explaining that frequent auditor turnover brings new questions each cycle, which can be challenging but ultimately strengthens the review. Last year resulted in only two minor findings, and this year's audit progressed smoothly.

Committee members discussed audit expectations, future RFP timing, and the value of reviewing the audit scope before the next procurement. Staff confirmed the Committee could recommend the draft report to the Board since no significant revisions are anticipated.

Approved

There were no public comments received

Motion/Second: McCorriston/Testa

Aye: Testa, Wang, McCorriston

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

8. Update to LAVTA's Human Resource Policies

Staff presented minor HR policy updates based on recommendations from LAVTA's insurance provider. The main change adds clear instructions for employees on how to request a reasonable accommodation. Staff also reorganized a few sections for clarity and proposed conducting full salary studies every three years, with CPI adjustments in the off years. A redlined and clean draft were provided.

Approved

There were no public comments received

Motion/Second: Testa/McCorriston

Aye: Testa, Wang, McCorriston

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

9. Legislative Update

Staff reported that LAVTA's state and federal advocacy contracts have been renewed annually due to an unpredictable legislative climate, but a shift to multi-year agreements may now be beneficial. Agencies remain under scrutiny through a statewide audit, with concerns about consolidation and reliance on external funding. Staff also noted that the Rutan hydrogen retrofit project is substantially complete, providing upgraded ventilation, alarms, and fire-safety systems funded through expiring LCTOP dollars. These improvements prepare the facility for future hydrogen buses while offering safety benefits today.

10. Matters Initiated by Committee Members

No matters were initiated.

11. Next Meeting Date is Scheduled for: December 23, 2025

12. Adjourn 5:06

LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Treasurer's Report for December 2025

FROM: Tamara Edwards, Director of Finance

DATE: January 27, 2026

Action Requested

Review and recommend that the Board of Directors 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

Staff recommend that the Finance and Administration Committee forward the December 2025 Treasurer's Report to the Board of Directors for approval.

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

(\$ Thousands)

(\$ Thousands)	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025																Total	Budget FY 2025	YTD % of Budget
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual				
			24-Jul	24-Aug	24-Sep	24-Oct	24-Nov	24-Dec	25-Jan	25-Feb	25-Mar	25-Apr	25-May	25-Jun							
Operating Revenue																					
Passenger Fares	2140652.55	2242288	206,015.03	81,694.76	112,136.54	80,462.75	205,886.86	166,533.17	162,781.27	203,071.07	69,438.27	224,022.26	211,363.70	490,015.70	2,213,421.38	2,600,344.00	85%				
Other Income	17334137.45	19092225	205,477.02	15,058.36	547,152.78	349,852.80	14,001,018.95	529,854.31	2,027,673.25	348,314.33	250,981.74	110,439.99	322,222.35	-231,584.59	18,476,461.29	22,497,006.00	82%				
Total Operating Revenue	19474790	21334513	411,492.05	96,753.12	659,289.32	430,315.55	14,206,905.81	696,387.48	2,190,454.52	551,385.40	320,420.01	2,211,294.85	533,586.05	258,431.11	22,566,715.27	25,097,350.00					
Operating Expenses																					
Labor	1588745	1787639	148,143.74	153,011.99	151,850.34	152,074.27	230,670.99	152,948.66	153,370.26	154,192.98	150,810.63	154,660.55	234,218.81	188,477.98	2,024,431.20	2,244,059.00	90%				
Fringe Benefits	1087770	1279090	202,742.53	66,697.27	62,184.67	58,408.76	63,237.42	74,809.36	21,224.58	119,815.91	644,782.88	75,207.48	84,019.04	-265,021.19	1,208,108.71	1,656,998.00	73%				
Services	2182595	1886541	370,248.11	155,668.11	74,280.77	87,256.64	219,452.32	232,285.59	181,327.04	93,592.16	185,084.36	171,850.48	147,119.18	267,971.48	2,186,136.24	2,753,617.00	79%				
Purchased Transportation	12063135	13556008	958,063.88	1,037,801.31	1,316,153.40	1,088,370.57	1,027,959.24	1,017,319.91	1,072,747.36	1,447,469.75	1,200,271.42	1,188,616.36	1,195,906.90	1,608,778.54	14,202,609.20	14,751,299.00	96%				
Fuel and Supplies	1313685	1337270	27,694.82	153,932.42	72,049.82	100,292.48	26,652.39	149,051.87	69,002.40	117,926.25	110,407.91	69,661.04	96,437.23	157,839.17	1,150,947.80	1,947,523.00	59%				
Utilities	374990	464083	45,867.73	32,338.85	34,466.29	32,571.48	38,521.44	35,423.35	42,871.30	30,566.26	35,737.37	40,333.50	31,121.20	67,581.47	467,400.24	521,286.00	90%				
Insurance	557600	730764	733,956.23	-1,113.40	-5,801.09	-348.47	771	-668.42	-68.56	-91.41	-4,622.01	1,713.50	-3,715.67	137,473.29	857,484.99	648,917.00	132%				
Taxes	103688	133134	2,256.84	14,218.05	6,807.92	12,050.11	2,084.79	14,674.47	9,166.12	8,913.77	10,195.44	13,186.92	9,148.42	17,427.17	120,130.02	111,868.00	107%				
Advertising	35822	82837	0	8,000.00	5,467.36	953.14	1,607.63	837.11	13,637.08	1,111.87	44.18	5,079.87	102.43	13,169.80	50,010.47	174,000.00	29%				
Misc.	166760	77147	51,919.94	35,181.81	21,020.08	28,921.25	46,400.08	18,503.23	48,522.86	-61,539.36	22,752.80	7,232.14	19,711.29	60,830.28	299,456.40	287,783.00	104%				
Total Operating Expenses	19,474,790.00	#####	2,540,893.82	1,655,736.41	1,738,479.56	1,560,550.23	1,657,357.30	1,695,185.13	1,611,800.44	1,911,958.18	2,355,464.98	1,727,541.84	1,814,068.83	2,254,527.99	22,523,564.71	25,097,350.00	90%				
Excess Revenue Over (Under) Expenses																					
Capitla Expenditures																					
Fund Balance - Operating	0	0	-2,129,401.77	-1,558,983.29	-1,079,190.24	-1,130,234.68	12,549,548.51	-998,797.65	578,654.08	#####	-2,035,044.97	483,753.01	-1,280,482.78	-1,996,096.88	0.00	0					
Fund Balance - Capital	0	0	0	-3957.75	-9800.75	-7490.75	-27408.06	-99832.32	-296367.59	-172246.62	-331181.1	-36256.84	-449851.13	-3169682.16	0.00	0					
Fund Balace - Operating and Capital	0	0	-2,129,401.77	-1,562,941.04	-1,088,990.99	-1,137,725.43	12,522,140.45	-1,098,629.97	282,286.49	#####	-2,366,226.07	447,496.17	-1,730,333.91	-5,165,779.04	0.00	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	0					

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: 2026 Legislative Program

FROM: Jennifer Yeamans, Senior Grants & Management Specialist

DATE: January 27, 2026

Action Requested

Staff requests the Finance & Administration Committee refer Resolution 03-2026 to the Board of Directors for approval, affirming LAVTA's 2026 Legislative Program.

Background

Each year the LAVTA Board of Directors approves a Legislative Program to guide staff and the Board for legislative issues at the federal, state, and regional/local level to support, watch and monitor, stay neutral, or oppose. In November 2025, the Board adopted the updated Strategic Plan, including an updated mission statement from which the agency's legislative principles derive.

Discussion

The proposed Legislative Program in Attachment 2 continues and refines the following four principles from previous years, in alignment with LAVTA's newly updated mission "*to enhance mobility through access to safe, customer oriented, reliable, and affordable public transportation*":

1. Protect existing and enhance future transit funding sources.
2. Enhance operating conditions to support safety and performance goals.
3. Enhance public transit's role in addressing climate change and air quality issues by providing access to affordable and reliable service.
4. Leverage support from and with partners to promote mobility, improve customer experience, and enhance regional leadership.

The proposed 2026 Legislative Program continues several priorities identified in previous years while highlighting new potential legislative initiatives emerging at the federal, state, and regional/local level. Within a sufficiently broad horizon to anticipate a range of potential uncertainties ahead, this year's proposed program aims to:

- Maximize available operating funding sources for public transit by safeguarding existing revenues and supporting efforts to secure new funding through a regional transportation revenue measure to be put to voters in Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties in November 2026.
- Engage proactively with state and regional agencies and other public transit partners to analyze, address, and minimize impacts on LAVTA's capital and operating resources associated with implementation of CARB's Innovative Clean Transit rule.

- Participate actively in the development of reauthorization legislation for federal surface transportation programs, which typically spans a five-year horizon. The current authorization, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law) was enacted in November 2021 and authorizes existing surface transportation programs through September 30, 2026.
- Identify near-term capital priorities that may be suitable for federal Community Project Funding requests sponsored by LAVTA's federal delegation.
- Monitor and comment as appropriate on proposed new or revised state and federal regulations impacting LAVTA's programs, projects, and services.

A draft of the State legislative calendar for 2026 is included as Attachment 3. Early State legislative deadlines for 2026 include:

- January 23: Last day to submit bill requests to the Office of Legislative Counsel
- February 20: Last day for bills to be introduced
- May 1: Last day for policy committees to report fiscal bills introduced in their house to fiscal committees
- May 15: Last day for fiscal committees to report to the floor bills introduced in their house; last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house

In developing this year's proposed Legislative program, staff participated in meetings with regional partners and reviewed other draft legislative programs and principles adopted or in development among our agency and advocacy partners, including other public transit agencies in the region the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the Alameda County Transportation Commission, the California Transit Association, and the American Public Transit Association.

Fiscal Impact

None

Next Steps

If the Board approves the 2026 Legislative Program, staff and the agency's state and federal advocates will bring updates on proposed bills to future Finance & Administration Committee meetings and/or the Board of Directors for information and/or potential action as may be appropriate.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the Finance & Administration Committee refer Resolution 03-2026 to the Board of Directors for approval, affirming LAVTA's 2026 Legislative Program.

Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal 3 – Advocacy and Partnerships: Maintain and expand partnerships with local and regional transit providers, local businesses, funding agencies, and all City partners.

Strategic Plan Subgoal:

Subgoal 3.2 - Continue to build and grow relationships with adjacent cities and counties, and State and Federal delegations.

Attachments:

1. Resolution 03-2026
2. Proposed 2026 Legislative Program
3. 2026 State Legislative Calendar

RESOLUTION NO. 03-2026

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LIVERMORE
AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY ADOPTING THE
2026 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM**

WHEREAS the California Legislature and the U.S. Congress have convened their current legislative sessions in late 2024 and early 2025, respectively; and

WHEREAS to promote the interests of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority, the Board of Directors finds it desirable to adopt a Legislative Program; and

WHEREAS the purpose of the Legislative Program is to guide the Board and staff's strategy and actions as it relates to various levels of government whose actions affect LAVTA; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the 2026 Legislative Program of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority, included as Attachment 2, is hereby adopted and shall guide the Board and staff's actions; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Executive Director shall operate within these guidelines in interactions with other levels of government in order to promote LAVTA's interests, employing strategies including participation in advocacy activities and taking positions on state and federal legislation as may be desirable; and be it further

RESOLVED that should issues arise that are not covered by this 2026 Legislative Program, that the Executive Director shall confer with the Chair of the Board to seek direction on a course of action.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the governing body of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA) this 2nd day of February 2026.

Julie Testa
Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST

Christy Wegener,
Executive Director

FEDERAL	
Goal or Principle	Strategy
1) Protect existing and enhance future transit funding sources	Advocate that Congress appropriate full amounts authorized by law for FY 2025-26 and FY 2026-27 federal transit programs, and that these vital funds are provided expeditiously to transit agencies for use on transit capital projects and operations. Support maximizing funding levels for discretionary programs and advocate for program policies and funding eligibilities that support LAVTA's key capital funding needs and priorities.
	Collaborate with local, regional, state, and national partners in development of a reauthorization platform for the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) that prioritizes maintaining and where possible increasing funding for existing transit and flexible highway formulas (that can fund transit) at levels approved under the IIJA, including ensuring California operators do not see cuts in programs that were funded through advance appropriations. Support advocacy partners' efforts to refine priorities related to funding for transit modernization and expansion and policy revisions needed to ensure operators are able to expend federal funds efficiently and effectively. Advocate for restoration of Highway Trust Fund (HTF) solvency while ensuring federal transit program funded from the Mass Transit Account continue to receive at least 20% of the HTF's surface transportation funding, and oppose efforts to reduce or eliminate federal funding for transit from the General Fund or HTF.
	Identify and advance as appropriate near-term capital priorities that may be suitable for federal Community Project Funding requests sponsored by LAVTA's federal delegation.
3) Enhance public transit's role in addressing climate change and air quality issues by providing access to affordable and reliable service	Advocate for federal legislation and program implementation that prioritizes public transit's role in addressing climate change, supports transit agencies transitioning to zero-emission fleets, and advances research into lowering costs for alternative-fuel technology deployments such as clean/renewable hydrogen. Advocate for federal policies and funding to advance efforts to improve air quality and health outcomes.
	Work with the Federal Transit Administration or, if necessary, Congress to ensure continued flexibility in the application of FTA's spare ratio requirements to zero-emission transit buses and to address temporary reductions in transit service.
4) Leverage support from and with partners to promote mobility, improve service productivity, and enhance regional leadership	Expand legislative and policy partnerships in Washington, D.C., in particular coordinating on advocacy activities as appropriate with other East Bay Small Operators and other public transit agencies operating in LAVTA's service area, including Valley Link.
	Support federal policies that enable technological innovations to improve safety, access, and mobility.

STATE	
Goal or Principle	Strategy
1) Protect existing and enhance future transit funding sources	Advocate for a FY 2026-27 state budget that avoids, minimizes, or offsets cuts in State investment in public transportation, including honoring prior-year budget agreements, and sustaining and, where possible, increasing funding to operate and maintain the transportation network, improve the transit rider experience, support transit modernization and expansion, and improve multimodal access to transit..
	Monitor, support, oppose, or seek amendments as may be necessary and desirable measures concerning transit governance and/or administration including consolidation.
	Engage with statewide partners to identify sustainable, stable, and long-term state investment in public transit consistent with the SB 125 State Transit Transformation Task Force’s recommendations, and monitor development of any new legislation to update the Transportation Development Act (TDA) and related statutes concerning public transportation revenues and associated requirements.
	Ensure any new legislation and regulations do not create new unfunded mandates on transit agencies.
2) Enhance operating conditions to support safety and performance goals	Support efforts to enhance transit industry workforce recruitment and training efforts.
3) Enhance public transit’s role in addressing climate change and air quality issues by providing access to affordable and reliable service	Support and engage with as appropriate with the California Transit Association’s efforts to monitor implementation of the Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) regulation, the Low-Carbon Fuel Standard, the Clean Truck Check, and the Advanced Clean Fleets regulation, and work to address the impacts associated with deploying zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs), including pursuing dedicated funding for zero-emission transit vehicle deployment and supportive infrastructure, engaging CARB through various forums, and potentially pursuing relief from the regulations.
4) Leverage support from and with partners to promote mobility, improve service productivity, and enhance regional leadership	Oppose efforts to mandate consolidation of East Bay Small Operators, or LAVTA with any other entity, and oppose development of any consolidation plans that do not meaningfully involve and account for all potentially impacted stakeholders, including transit workers represented by existing collective bargaining arrangements.

REGIONAL/LOCAL	
Goal or Principle	Strategy
1) Protect existing and enhance future transit funding sources	Maximize available operating funding sources by safeguarding existing revenues and supporting efforts to secure new funding through a regional transportation revenue measure to be put to voters in Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties in November 2026.
2) Enhance operating conditions to support safety and performance goals	Advocate for improvements to the local and regional street networks that enhance transit operating speed, safety, and reliability.
	Support roadway safety improvements for all users and support proposals to increase enforcement of traffic laws protecting pedestrians and bicyclists.
4) Leverage support from and with partners to promote mobility, improve service productivity, and enhance regional leadership	Monitor and support as appropriate continued implementation of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force recommendations, including new initiatives aimed at promoting a more "seamless" regional transit system and enhancing its resiliency through initiatives such as fare coordination/integration and transit network management, and innovative service delivery mechanisms such as the One Seat Ride paratransit program.
	Continue to develop and maintain innovative partnerships with private transportation providers including taxi and transportation network companies to connect more people in the Tri-Valley to public transit.
	Support other local East Bay transit operators and work together on regional programs and initiatives of mutual interest as appropriate.

2026 TENTATIVE LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

COMPILED BY THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE AND THE OFFICE OF THE ASSEMBLY CHIEF CLERK

Revised September 29, 2025

DEADLINES

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- Jan. 1 Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).
- Jan. 5 Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51(a)(4)).
- Jan. 10 Budget must be submitted by Governor (Art. IV, Sec. 12 (a)).
- Jan. 16 Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to fiscal committees **fiscal bills** introduced in their house in the odd-numbered year (J.R. 61(b)(1)).
- Jan. 19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- Jan. 23 Last day for any committee to hear and report to the **Floor** bills introduced in that house in the odd-numbered year (J.R. 61(b)(2)). Last day to **submit bill requests** to the Office of Legislative Counsel.
- Jan. 31 Last day for each house to **pass bills introduced** in that house in the odd-numbered year (Art. IV, Sec. 10(c)), (J.R. 61(b)(3)).

- Feb. 16 Presidents’ Day.
- Feb. 20 Last day for bills to be **introduced** (J.R. 61(b)(4)), (J.R. 54(a)).

- Mar. 26 **Spring Recess** begins upon adjournment (J.R. 51(b)(1)).
- Mar. 30 Cesar Chavez Day observed.

- Apr. 6 Legislature reconvenes from **Spring Recess** (J.R. 51(b)(1)).
- Apr. 24 Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to fiscal committees **fiscal bills** introduced in their house (J.R. 61(b)(5)).

- May 1 Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to the Floor **non-fiscal bills** introduced in their house (J.R. 61(b)(6)).
- May 8 Last day for **policy committees** to meet prior to June 1 (J.R. 61(b)(7)).
- May 15 Last day for **fiscal committees** to hear and report to the Floor bills introduced in their house (J.R. 61 (b)(8)). Last day for **fiscal committees** to meet prior to June 1 (J.R. 61 (b)(9)).
- May 25 Memorial Day.
- May 26 – 29 **Floor Session only**. No committees, other than conference or Rules committees, may meet for any purpose (J.R. 61(b)(10)).
- May 29 Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house (J.R. 61(b)(11)).

*Holiday schedule subject to Senate Rules committee approval.

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- June 1

Committee meetings may resume (J.R. 61(b)(12)).
- June 15

Budget Bill must be passed by **midnight** (Art. IV, Sec. 12(c)(3)).
- June 25

Last day for a legislative measure to qualify for the Nov. 3 General Election ballot (Elections Code Sec. 9040).
- July 2

Last day for **policy committees** to meet and report bills (J.R. 61(b)(13)).
Summer Recess begins upon adjournment of session, provided Budget Bill has passed (J.R. 51(b)(2)).
- July 3

Independence Day observed.
- Aug. 3

Legislature reconvenes from **Summer Recess** (J.R. 51(b)(2)).
- Aug. 14

Last day for **fiscal committees** to meet and report bills to the Floor (J.R. 61(b)(14)).
- Aug. 17 – 31

Floor Session only. No committee, other than conference and Rules committees, may meet for any purpose (J.R. 61(b)(15)).
- Aug. 21

Last day to **amend** on the Floor (J.R. 61(b)(16)).
- Aug. 31

Last day for **each house to pass bills** (Art. IV, Sec. 10(c)), (J.R. 61(b)(17)). **Final recess** begins upon adjournment. (J.R. 51(b)(3)).

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IMPORTANT DATES OCCURRING DURING FINAL RECESS

- 2026

Sept. 30

Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature before Sept. 1 and in the Governor’s possession on or after Sept. 1 (Art. IV, Sec. 10(b)(2)).
- Nov. 3

General Election.
- Nov. 30

Adjournment *sine die* at midnight (Art. IV, Sec. 3(a)).
- Dec. 7

12 Noon convening of the 2027-28 Regular Session (Art. IV, Sec. 3(a)).
- 2027

Jan. 1

Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).