

**SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT
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**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA
BART ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE**

May 26, 2016

A Meeting of the BART Accessibility Task Force (BATF) will be held on Thursday, May 26, 2016 at 2:00 – 4:30 p.m. The Meeting will be held in the Community Room, East Bay Paratransit Offices, 1750 Broadway, Oakland, California. The facility is served by public transportation at the 19th Street BART Station and multiple AC Transit routes.

AGENDA

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| 1. Self- Introduction of Members, Staff and Guests
BATF Roll Call and Introduction of Individuals Present | 5 Minutes |
| 2. Public Comments (<i>Information</i>)
Opportunity to Comment on Items Not on the Agenda
(2 Minutes per Speaker) | 5 Minutes |
| 3. Approval of Minutes of April 28, 2016 Meeting (<i>Action</i>) | 5 Minutes |
| 4. BART Fiscal Year 2017 Preliminary Budget(<i>Information/Action</i>)
Staff to Present BART Preliminary Budget for Comments | 30 Minutes |
| 5. BART Station Access Policy (<i>Information/Action</i>)
Staff to Present BART Station Access Policy for Comments | 30 Minutes |
| 6. Accessible Path of Travel during Construction (<i>Information/Action</i>)
Members to Recommend Accessible Path of Travel Construction
Mitigations Checklist | 20 Minutes |

7. Station and Train Announcements (*Information/Action*) **20 Minutes**
Members to Discuss announcements not always made when trains coming, whether stopping or not

8. Capital Project Status Reports (*Information/Action*) **20 Minutes**

El Cerrito Del Norte/Plaza	Station Hearing Loop
Oakland Airport Connector	Entrance Canopies
Union City Station Remodel	Berkeley Station Upgrade
Fleet of the Future	Stair Tread Color Contrast
eBART	Richmond
Warm Spring Station	Berryessa/Milpitas Stations
Phase 2- San Jose Downtown	Powell Street Station Upgrade
Civic Center Station Upgrade	Embarcadero Station Upgrade
Montgomery Station Upgrade	West Dublin Path of Travel
Concord Station Upgrade	Track Maintenance
Dublin/Pleasanton Project	Elevator Priority Signage
West Oakland	Pittsburg/Bay Point

9. Chairperson Announcements (*Information*) **5 Minutes**

10. Staff Announcements (*Information*) **5 Minutes**

11. Member Announcements (*Information*) **5 Minutes**

12. Future Agenda Topics (*Information/Action*) **5 Minutes**

Members to Suggest Topics

Next Meeting Schedule:

Thursday, June 23, 2016

13. Adjournment

Please refrain from wearing scented products (perfume, cologne, after-shave, etc.) to this meeting, as there may be people in attendance susceptible to environmental illnesses.

BART provides service/accommodations upon request to persons with disabilities and individuals who are limited English proficient who wish to address Board matters. A request must be made within one and five days in

advance of Board meetings, depending on the service requested. Please contact the Office of the District Secretary at (510) 464-6083 for information.

ATTACHMENT I

Material Enclosed for this Meeting

- 4-28-16 Minutes

eBART Links

<http://www.stadlerrail.com/media/uploads/factsheets/GC-AP1007e.pdf>

http://www.gonctd.com/pdf_fact_sheets/Sprinter_FactSheet.pdf

Future Agenda Topics

- Detectable Path of Travel
- Accessible Capital Request List Update
- Station Announcements (emergency and non-emergency)
- Capital Improvement Program
- Elevators; also cone clutter, odor
- Best Practice Standards for Construction
- Signage Update
- Alternative travel options while elevators are out of service
- Policies regarding using discount tickets versus Clipper cards
- Difficulty (especially among disabled community) boarding buses when a station is under construction; discussion of policies and procedures
- Editing BART app to include information of construction at stations

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA TRANSIT DISTRICT ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE

Draft Minutes

April 28, 2016

1. Self-Introductions of Members, Staff and Guests

Members:

Janet Abelson – (ABSENT)
Randall Glock –(ABSENT)
Janice Armigo Brown
Peter Crockwell
Don Queen
Hale Zukas
Clarence Fischer
Gerry Newell
Herb Hastings – (ABSENT)
Alan Smith
Larry Bunn
Brandon Young
Roland Wong
Esperanza Diaz-Alvarez – (ABSENT)

BART Staff present: Ike Nnaji, Bob Franklin

Directors, Speaker(s), Guest Staff, and Guests of the Public:

Director Robert Raburn, Elena Vanloo (BART),
Carl Orman (BART), Roderick McFarland (BART),
Kerry Hamill (BART), Maureen Wetter (BART),
Aaron Weinstein (BART), Timothy Moore (BART),
Andrew Moore, Debby Leung, Roger Acuna,
Arnold Brillinger, Jerry Grace
Janice Dispo (Stenographer)

2. Public Comments

[No public comment.]

3. Approval of Minutes of March 24, 2016 Meeting

No opposition to Clarence Fischer's motion to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2016 meeting, with a second by Gerry Newell.

Motion passes with an abstention from Larry Bunn.

4. Fleet of the Future Update

After Kerry Hamill's introductory remarks and a presentation by Aaron Weinstein, members were allowed to ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

Hale Zukas said that it would be nice to have at least one to five folding seats per car. Aaron then presented the advantages and disadvantages of folding seats.

Elena Vanloo asked if studies have been done to see how helpful it will be to have a bike rack in each car.

Aaron replied that there will be a minimum of one bike rack per car, which could accommodate 3 bikes. Additional bikes can potentially be stacked next to the first 3 bikes, if the car is not crowded. Since there is more open space available, there is no hard limit.

He will be taking input from the community as well as running tests regarding bike capacity on cars.

Clarence Fischer suggested that BART run the mixed fleet on one route.

Aaron agreed that that is the plan.

Hale Zukas asked if riders with bikes will be able to predict where to board along the platform.

Aaron replied that the platform will not be marked because the bike doors are not always in the same location. The bike entry doors will be marked with a green decal to let riders with bikes know where to board as the train pulls up.

5. Transit Universal Design Guideline

After the presentation given by Carl Orman, members were allowed to ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

6. Accessibility Capital Projects

Carl Orman gave updates on current ongoing projects and a four-year outlook.

Alan Smith asked that updates be given to the BATF on a quarterly basis. He added that the BATF would like to be made aware of any changes, like obstacles or changes in path of travel, as soon as possible.

Clarence Fischer requested that more seating be made available around the kiss-and-ride areas.

He mentioned that revenue trucks parking in disabled parking stalls or at bus stops causes issues.

7. West Oakland, Richmond, Pleasant Hill, Lafayette Improvements

After the presentation by Carl Orman, members were allowed to ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

These projects are a 200-day project, scheduled to begin around December 2016 and end approximately during the summer of 2017.

8. New Member Application

[No application received; applicant not present at meeting.]

9. Capital Project Status Reports

Berkeley Station Upgrade

The contract has been approved by the board.

Powell Street Station Upgrade

The contract for the Powell Street ceiling project will go out for rebidding. Four-month delay is expected.

Warm Springs Station

A grant of \$250,000 has been received, and 41 electric-car-charging stations will be installed.

No updates were given for the following projects:

El Cerrito Del Norte

Oakland Airport Connector

Union City Station Remodel

Fleet of the Future

eBART

Phase 2 – San Jose Downtown

Civic Center Station Upgrade
Montgomery Station Upgrade
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10. Chairperson Announcements

Alan Smith made a few chairperson announcements.

On April 7, he attended the Contra Costa County Mayors Conference held in Moraga, California, where BART General Manager Grace Crunican made a presentation about the plan to build a better BART, also known as “Better BART.”

At the conference, Alan Smith urged the mayors to support the plan.

On April 5, Alan Smith, along with several members of the BATF, met with Bob Powers, Paul Oversier, Shirley Ng, and Tian Feng. The purpose of the meeting with senior BART managers and construction supervisors was to discuss how to ensure that when obstacles are needed to be placed in the path of travel, that they are visible to the visually impaired.

Alan Smith will compose a BATF checklist for project managers to use during construction. He will present his draft to members for their approval at the May BATF meeting.

The BATF has been asked to write a letter of support regarding BART’s station access policy (presented by Val Menotti at the October 2015 BATF meeting).

Alan Smith will present his draft to members for their approval at the May BATF meeting.

Director Raburn welcomed any input.

The budget presentation is set for next month’s BATF meeting.

On Wednesday, May 25, 2015, from noon to 1pm, BART Board President Tom Radulovich and budget staff will hold a live online town hall to answer questions from the public about funding priorities.

There will also be budget discussions at the May 12th and May 26th BART Board meetings.

11. Staff Announcements

On June 8, 2016, at Berkeley City College, BART is hosting a technology conference called, "AccessTech."

AccessTech is a one-day summit where transit and technology will come together with the goal of improving the accessibility of the BART system for those with mobility and sensory impairments.

(Travel reimbursement approved, per Bob Franklin.)

In response to a question from Alan Smith, Bob Franklin stated that there are no current plans to include the ADA fare chart in the BART fares brochure.

Alan Smith followed up on a question previously raised by members, asking whether TTY telephones are considered an effective means of communication.

Ike Nnaji replied that the TTY telephone is what is required by the ADA. No other technology had been mandated or stated in the ADA.

Alan Smith then asked about the weekend closures between the Bay Fair and San Leandro stations, and whether buses will be held later to account for any delays. Bob Franklin replied that the buses will be operating on their independent schedules.

12. Member Announcements

Clarence Fischer requested for a moratorium on future service changes without a prior discussion with the BATF. He asked that this be agendized so that he can talk about it in more detail.

13. Future Agenda Topics

- Budget
- BART Access Policy
- Path of travel checklist to be used during construction
- Maintenance tour discussion

14. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting of **Thursday, May 26, 2016, at 2:00 p.m., at 1750 Broadway in Oakland, California.**