



Agenda Planning Request Form



Instructions

Complete this form for any new or amended Agenda Planning (AP) Request. Each request requires the endorsement of **at least three (3) Directors** (including the requestor). Directors are limited to a **maximum of fifteen (15)** AP requests per calendar year, with no more than two requests made per meeting. AP requests are non-transferrable to any other Director and any “unused” AP requests shall not be carried over to the next calendar year. Requests for presentations by individuals or organizations outside of AC Transit are excluded from the AP request limit.

Prior to making a request, Directors shall make their best effort to discuss the item with the General Manager, a member of his/her Executive Staff or appropriate Board Officer in advance of the Board meeting at which the request will be made.

AP Request Forms are due to the District Secretary no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday one week prior to the scheduled Board meeting in order for the form to be included in the agenda packet. Email completed forms to districtsecretary@actransit.org

Information

Directors Name	Jean Walsh	Meeting Date the AP Request will be presented:	April 2023
This Request is:	☒ New ☐ Amended	Include in the GMs Report:	☐ Yes ☒ No
Type:	☐ Action ☒ Briefing	Expected Staff Report Due Date (if known):	
Discussed w/ GM, Board Officer or Exec Team Member:	☒ Yes ☐ No		

Item Description: (Please be thorough. Attach additional information if needed.)

Bus travel times have been increasing over the years due to increased traffic congestion. In an effort to improve bus travel times and improve transit reliability, speed, and rider experience, the District has recently secured grants from MTC for \$5 million to conduct a study on Foothill Blvd and to implement a project on MacDonald Ave.

The Board requests a report detailing how the various proposed treatments would improve travel times, reliability, speed and rider experience. A matrix listing the intervention along with the effectiveness, cost, (political) difficulty, and other factors could be a good way to present this info.

In addition, what public outreach will be conducted about the various proposals, if any? How might proposed signal timing changes and bus stop changes affect pedestrians/bus riders? Is pedestrian safety, delay and

convenience caused by bus stop changes and traffic signal changes measured and factored into “rider experience” and if so, how? Are additional ways to improve travel time being considered, such as targeted outreach on the affected lines to convert riders from cash to Clipper, since we know cash payment greatly increases dwell time?

The Board would also like to for staff to review results and lessons learned from past transit signal priority projects for line 51 A and B and the rapid corridors projects on Telegraph, San Pablo and West Grand. Have these projects resulted in the projected travel time savings? If not, why not, and what could be done to improve transit improvement projects going forward? If all the proposed interventions were not implemented (such as queue jumps in Berkeley), why not, and what would it take to do so?

Purpose:

Significant amounts of money and staff resources are being spent to improve transit performance across the District. The Board would like to better understand the extent to which these projects are achieving the goal of improving transit speed and rider experience, what else can be done to get the desired outcome, and how the Board can be supportive.

What will be accomplished/desired outcome:

The Board will have a better understanding of efforts being undertaken to improve transit reliability and rider experience, as well as the outcomes and results of these projects for bus operations and bus riders and options available, with the goal of taking actions that are the most effective and minimize unintended consequences.



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Concurrence By: ☐ Beckles ☒ Walsh ☐ Syed ☐ McCalley ☐ Shaw ☒ Young ☒Peeples

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