



ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES

Special Meeting of the Board of Directors

Ward 1 Board Vacancy - Finalist Interviews

HYBRID MEETING

10th Floor Conference Room - 1600 Franklin Street, Oakland, California

Zoom link <https://actransit.zoom.us/j/98487175063>

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Webinar ID: 984 8717 5063

Wednesday, October 29, 2025 at 9:00 AM

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DIANE SHAW, PRESIDENT (WARD 5)

MURPHY MCCALLEY, VICE PRESIDENT (WARD 4)

HARPREET S. SANDHU (WARD 1)

JEAN WALSH (WARD 2)

SARAH SYED (WARD 3)

ANTHONY C. SILVA (WARD 6)

JOEL YOUNG (AT-LARGE)

BOARD OFFICERS

SALVADOR LLAMAS, GENERAL MANAGER/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AIMEE L. STEELE, GENERAL COUNSEL/CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER

LINDA A. NEMEROFF, BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/DISTRICT SECRETARY

TELECONFERENCE:

Director Sarah Syed, 3 Via S. Pietro, Siena, Italy 53100

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Board of Directors held a special meeting on Wednesday, October 29, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Prior to the start of the meeting, General Counsel Aimee Steele confirmed that all requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Govt. Code Sections 54950, et seq.) and the provisions of Board Policy 101, Section 4.9 regarding teleconferenced meetings were met in order for Director Syed to participate in the meeting and advised that all votes must be taken by roll call vote.

President Shaw called the Board of Directors special meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: SHAW, McCALLEY, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

Prior to the start of the interviews the General Counsel reported that a Brown Act complaint was submitted by a member of the public alleging that the District failed to make public letters supporting board applicants available prior to Monday's special meeting, explaining that while the letters had been provided to the Board before the meeting, they were not made accessible to the public at that time. The General Counsel's Office is currently reviewing the complaint, but noted that this type of alleged violation does not fall under the provisions of the Government Code that would allow the Board's prior actions to be deemed null and void. The General Counsel also stated that the District Secretary's Office has since made all public comments and letters-both those submitted before Monday's meeting and those received for the current meeting-available for public access, and members of the public may contact the office to view these materials. It was also clarified that public access did not mean that the documents would be posted on the District's website.

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM(S)**3.A. Board Vacancy Interviews for Ward 1 Director:**

[25-466](#)

9:05 a.m. Harpreet Sandhu

9:50 a.m. Joanna Pace

Consider the adoption of Resolution No. 25-040 appointing a director to fill the Ward 1 vacancy on the Board of Directors.

Staff Contact:

Linda Nemeroff, Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

Presenter:
President Shaw

The Board of Directors engaged in interviews with the two applicants vying to fill Ward 1 vacancy on the Board. Interview topics generally included the following:

- Understanding of AC Transit and Public Transit Issues
- Governance, Policy & Oversight
- Community Engagement
- Collaboration and Regional Perspective

Following the interview with Mr. Sandhu, President Shaw announced that the Board would take a brief recess at 10:00 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:06 a.m. All Board members were present. The Board then interviewed Ms. Pace and called for public comment. No public comment was offered.

Before deliberating on the appointment, the Board took a brief recess at 10:47 a.m. and resumed at 10:53 a.m. All Board members were present.

MOTION: YOUNG/SILVA to adopt Resolution No. 25-040 appointing Harpreet S. Sandhu to fill the Ward 1 vacancy on the Board of Directors. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

Abstained: WALSH

4. CLOSED SESSION/REPORT OUT

At 11:29 a.m., the General Counsel advised that the Board would convene in Closed Session to discuss the matters listed on the agenda and that there would be no report out. Director Syed left the meeting.

4.A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation

(Government Code Section 54957)
Title: General Counsel, District Secretary

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for November 19, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Linda A. Nemeroff
Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary