



ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES

Board of Directors - Regular Meeting

AC Transit General Offices
2nd Floor Board Room
1600 Franklin Street, Oakland, California

Closed Session - 3:00 PM
Regular Meeting 5:00 PM

HYBRID MEETING

Phone (669) 900 6833 Webinar ID: 984 8717 5063

Wednesday, June 11, 2025 at 5:00 PM

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DIANE SHAW, PRESIDENT (WARD 5)
MURPHY MCCALLEY, VICE PRESIDENT (WARD 4)
H. E. CHRISTIAN PEEPLES (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

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Board of Directors held a meeting on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. for the purpose of Closed Session. All Board members were present. The Board convened in Closed Session at 3:11 p.m. to discuss Items 7A only as listed on the agenda. Closed Session concluded at 3:25 p.m.

President Shaw called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Eddie Sanchez thanked the Board for its recent decision to rescind the COVID-19 vaccine mandate and expressed optimism about the possibility of re-hiring employees who were previously terminated due to the mandate. He also asked for an update on the status of the facilities maintenance training program.

Jose Martinez-Robles, a member of the Division 4 (Hayward) Drivers' Committee, highlighted that the recent run cut on bus line #210 in Fremont demonstrated the need for an additional bus to ensure operators receive adequate break time. He emphasized that the current Realign initiative presents a timely opportunity to adjust bus line services and warned that without such changes, the schedules of senior bus operators could be adversely impacted.

Cheryl Brown, Co-Chairperson of the Division 4 (Hayward) Drivers' Committee, addressed issues stemming from the recent Division 2 run cuts affecting bus lines 18, 22, 27, and 88. She pointed out that the current realignment lacks sufficient running and recovery time and suffers from a shortage of manpower and resources. Brown also expressed concern that the Fall run cut process was rushed and inadequately executed.

Ms. Fowles, Executive Director, Civic Action Coalition, raised concerns about the removal and relocation of key bus stops along Telegraph Avenue in Oakland and Berkeley, particularly those serving lines 6, 12, and 800. Ms. Fowles requested restoration of stops at 52nd Street, Claremont Avenue, Dwight Way, and Durant Avenue, noting that the new stop at Blake Street is too far from the UC Berkeley campus and poses accessibility challenges for students, seniors, and people with disabilities. In addition, Ms. Fowles urged the Board not to raise bus fares, emphasizing that AC Transit is already heavily funded by public tax dollars and recent voter-approved transportation measures and the increase would place an unfair burden on riders amid rising costs.

4. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

President Shaw requested that agenda item 6.D. (Repurpose of funds) be taken out of order and moved to the top of the regular calendar. There was no objection from the Board. For ease in reading, the agenda item is recorded in the minutes as it appears on the agenda.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR (AND CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT ITEMS)

There were no public comments offered for items on the Consent Calendar.

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES, to receive, approve or adopt the items on the Consent Calendar as indicated. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 5.A.** Consider approving Board of Directors meeting minutes of May 28, 2025. [25-049](#)

Staff Contact:

Linda A. Nemeroff, Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to approve Board of Directors meeting minutes of May 28, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 5.B.** Consider receiving the General Manager's Access Committee minutes of April 8, 2025. [25-335](#)

Staff Contact:

Ramakrishna Pochiraju, Executive Director of Planning & Engineering

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to receive the General Manager's Access Committee minutes of April 8, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 5.C.** Consider authorizing the General Manager to attend the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Nominating Committee in Chicago, Illinois, from July 22 to 24, 2025. [25-334](#)

Staff Contact:

Salvador Llamas, General Manager/Chief Executive Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to authorize the General Manager to attend the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Nominating Committee in Chicago, Illinois, from July 22 to 24, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 5.D.** Consider receiving a review of Board Policy 120, Annuity Benefits for Elected Officials with no recommended amendments. [25-336](#)

Staff Contact:

Linda A. Nemeroff, Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to receive a review of Board Policy 120, Annuity Benefits for Elected Officials with no recommended amendments. The motion carried by the

following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 5.E.** Consider review of Board Policy 236 - Disability and Leave of Absence Policy with no recommended amendments. [25-327](#)

Staff Contact:

James Arcellana, Interim Executive Director of Human Resources

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to receive a review of Board Policy 236 - Disability and Leave of Absence Policy with no recommended amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 5.F.** Consider a review of Board Policy 463 - Transit Asset Management Policy, with no recommended amendments. [25-331](#)

Staff Contact:

Salvador Llamas, General Manager/Chief Executive Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to receive a review of Board Policy 463 - Transit Asset Management Policy, with no recommended amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 5.G.** Consider authorizing the General Manager or their designee to execute a subrecipient agreement with the City of Oakland Department of Transportation (OakDOT) to fund the purchase of zero emission buses through the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) grant program. [25-290](#)

Staff Contact:

Chris Andrichak, Chief Financial Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to authorize the General Manager or their designee to execute a subrecipient agreement with the City of Oakland Department of Transportation (OakDOT) to fund the purchase of zero emission buses through the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) grant program. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 5.H.** Consider adoption of Resolution No. 25-024 authorizing the General Manager or their designee to file and execute allocation requests from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) of Regional Measure 3 (RM3) funds for core capacity transit improvements: Training and Education Center Modernization and Hayward Facility Hydrogen Charging Infrastructure Projects. [25-324](#)

Staff Contact:

Chris Andrichak, Chief Financial Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to adopt Resolution No. 25-024 authorizing the General Manager or their designee to file and execute allocation requests from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) of Regional Measure 3 (RM3) funds for core capacity transit improvements: Training and Education Center Modernization and Hayward Facility Hydrogen Charging Infrastructure Projects. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 5.I.** Consider the award of on-call Project Management/Construction Management (PM/CM) Contracts to Acumen Building Enterprise. Inc., Auriga Corporation, Chow Engineering, Inc., Dabri, Inc., GHD, Inc., Parsons Transportation Group, Inc., and VSCE, Inc. [24-297a](#)

Staff Contact:

Ramakrishna Pochiraju, Executive Director of Planning & Engineering

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to approve the award of on-call Project Management/Construction Management (PM/CM) Contracts to Acumen Building Enterprise. Inc., Auriga Corporation, Chow Engineering, Inc., Dabri, Inc., GHD, Inc., Parsons Transportation Group, Inc., and VSCE, Inc. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 5.J.** Consider authorizing the General Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) to provide early morning bus service for a period effective August 8, 2025, through February 10, 2028, with three (3) additional single-year options. [25-318](#)

Staff Contact:

Ramakrishna Pochiraju, Executive Director of Planning & Engineering

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to authorize the General Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) to provide early morning bus service for a period effective August 8, 2025, through February 10, 2028, with three (3) additional single-year options. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

6. REGULAR CALENDAR

Finance and Audit Items - Chair McCalley

- 6.A.** Consider adoption of Resolution 25-026 approving the Recommended FY 2025-26 Operating and Capital Budgets. [24-480d](#)

Staff Contact:

Chris Andrichak, Chief Financial Officer

Director of Management and Budget Richard Oslund presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

Ms. Fowles, Executive Director, Civic Action Coalition, requested that budget funding be accommodated to reinstall the bus stop at Telegraph Ave at 52nd Street in front of the Temescal Library.

Director Syed stated she would abstain from voting on the budget, citing concerns that the Board had not made financial sacrifices comparable to those of staff. Director Walsh announced she would vote against the budget, expressing that, despite staff's efforts, it failed to adequately address the structural deficit, the looming fiscal cliff, and lacked adequate fiscal engagement.

MOTION: SHAW/PEEPLS to adopt Resolution 25-026 approving the Recommended FY 2025-26 Operating and Capital Budgets. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, SILVA, YOUNG

Nayes: WALSH

Abstained: SYED

- 6.B.** Consider authorizing the General Manager to bind the District's 2025-2026 Commercial Property Insurance and Deadly Weapons Response Insurance programs. [25-325](#)

Staff Contact:

Aimee L. Steele, General Counsel/Chief Legal Officer

Claims and Liability Manager Jean-Paul Popoff presented the staff report. There were no public comments offered.

MOTION: SHAW/PEEPLS to authorize the General Manager to bind the District's 2025-2026 Commercial Property Insurance and Deadly Weapons Response Insurance programs. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

- 6.C.** Consider receiving a preliminary status report on the District's proposed 19.50% DBE goal for federal fiscal years (FFY) 2026-2028, authorize staff to initiate a 30-day public comment period, and permit staff to submit the goal to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) without further Board action if necessary changes are minimal or insignificant. [25-329](#)

Staff Contact:

Phillip Halley, Interim Director of Civil Rights & Compliance

Program Administrator Brooklyn Moore-Green presented the staff report. There were no public comments offered.

MOTION: PEEPLES/YOUNG to receive a preliminary status report on the District's proposed 19.50% DBE goal for federal fiscal years (FFY) 2026-2028, authorize staff to initiate a 30-day public comment period, and permit staff to submit the goal to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) without further Board action if necessary changes are minimal or insignificant. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

Planning Items - Chair Young

- 6.D.** Consider approving the City of Alameda's proposal to repurpose \$9 million from the "Alameda to Fruitvale BART Rapid Bus" project in the 2014 Measure BB Transportation Expenditure Plan to a program of three transit-focused multimodal projects elsewhere in Alameda. [25-322](#)

Staff Contact:

Ramakrishna Pochiraju, Executive Director of Planning & Engineering

Senior Transportation Planner Crystal Wang presented the staff report. There were no public comments offered.

MOTION: SYED/PEEPLES to approve the City of Alameda's proposal to repurpose \$9 million from the "Alameda to Fruitvale BART Rapid Bus" project in the 2014 Measure BB Transportation Expenditure Plan to a program of three transit-focused multimodal projects elsewhere in Alameda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

Operations Items - Chair Walsh

- 6.E.** Consider authorizing the General Manager to execute a five-year contract with Clever Devices Ltd. for the continued provision of hardware warranty, software maintenance, system hosting, and professional services in an amount not to exceed \$6,790,270, plus optional professional services. [25-328](#)

Staff Contact:

Ahsan Baig, Chief Information Officer

Director of Innovation and Technology Manjit Sooch presented the staff report. There were no public comments offered.

MOTION: PEEPLES/McCALLEY to authorize the General Manager to execute a five-year

contract with Clever Devices Ltd. for the continued provision of hardware warranty, software maintenance, system hosting, and professional services in an amount not to exceed \$6,790,270, plus optional professional services. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG

7. CLOSED SESSION/REPORT OUT

The items for consideration are listed below and will be reported on by the General Counsel as necessary at the end of the meeting.

General Counsel Aimee Steele reported on the following Board action from the closed session:

MOTION: PEEPLES/McCALLEY to approve settlement via stipulations, with a request for an award for 63% permanent disability, which has a dollar value of \$108,822.50, minus permanent disability advances made to date in the amount of \$23,034.29, and also minus temporary disability overpayment in the amount of \$2,192.28 in the matter of Gil v. AC Transit, ADR Case No. AC-ADR-000575. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: PEEPLES, McCALLEY, SYED, WALSH, SILVA, YOUNG, SHAW

7.A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

(Government Code Section 54956.9 (a))

- Castro v. AC Transit, WCAB Case No. ADJ15021655, ADR Case Nos.: AC-ADR-000648 and AC-ADR-000900
- Gil v. AC Transit, ADR Case No. AC-ADR-000575

7.B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Potential Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: (five cases)

7.C. Conference with Labor Negotiators

(Government Code Section 54957.6):

Agency Designated Representative:

- General Manager Salvador Llamas
- Labor and Employee Relations Representative

Employee Organizations: ATU Local 192, AFSCME Local 3916, IBEW Local 1245, Unrepresented Employees

8. AGENDA PLANNING

8.A. Review of Agenda Planning Pending List and Agenda Planning Request Forms.

[25-015k](#)

Staff Contact:

Linda Nemeroff, Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

No new items were added to the agenda planning list.

9. BOARD/STAFF COMMENTS

(Government Code Section 54954.2)

Members of the Board commented on meetings, conferences, and events they attended since the last Board meeting.

- 9.A.** Written reports from Board members on travel to District-related conferences occurring in the last 30 days.

[25-038k](#)

Staff Contact:

Linda Nemeroff, Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

[Written report received from Director Walsh was provided to the Board and the public prior to the meeting and is incorporated into the record by reference.]

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for June 25, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Linda A. Nemeroff

Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary