

**DRAFT MINUTES
HYBRID MEETING OF THE
GENERAL MANAGER'S ACCESS COMMITTEE (GMAC)
June 10, 2025**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL and Introduction of Members and Guests

GMAC members present:

Kiran Agarwal	Erika Bruhns
Monique Chapman	Warren Cushman
Shawn Fong, Chair	Melissa Getz, Vice Chair
Andrea Johnson	Sandra Johnson
Daveed Mandell	James Robson (left 2:39)
Dr. James Thomas	Barbara Williams
Roland Wong	

GMAC members absent:

Chonita Chew (excused)

Staff:

Tammy Kylo, Administrative Coordinator
Kim Ridgeway, Senior Program Specialist
Mallory Nestor-Brush, Accessible Services Manager
Sal Llamas, General Manager
Rama Pochiraju, Exec Director of Planning & Engineering
Robert del Rosario, Director of Service Development and Planning
Dwain Crawley, Director of Transportation
Maria Henderson, External Affairs Representative
Debora Garcia, Customer Service Manager
Chris Durant, Assistant Director of Maintenance
Arlee Young, Assistant Director of Transportation
David Berman, Senior Transportation Planner
Diann Castleberry, External Affairs Representative

Guests:

President Shaw, Board of Directors
Director Peeples, Board of Directors
Michai Freeman
Lucky Maxwell, TheCIL

3. ORDER OF AGENDA

The order of agenda was approved.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

4.A. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Agarwal/Johnson approved the June 10, 2025, GMAC meeting minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES – 11: Agarwal, Bruhns, Chapman, Cushman, Fong, Getz, A. Johnson, S. Johnson, Mandell, Robson, Williams

ABSTENTIONS – 1: Wong

ABSENT – 1: Chew

5. REGULAR UPDATES

5.A. Overview of AC Transit Response to Accidents/Medical Emergencies

Dwain Crawley, Director of Transportation, gave an overview of the procedures and protocols the District takes in response to accidents and medical emergencies when passengers enter, ride and/or disembark AC Transit vehicles.

5.B. MTC Regional Measure Update.

Maria Henderson, External Affairs Representative, gave an update, and received feedback, on Senate Bill 63, the Connect Bay Area Act, which authorizes a 10-15 year regional transportation measure for funding.

5.C. Fare Change Update

Debora Garcia, Customer Service Manager, gave an update of the fare change, effective July 1, 2026, which will increase the local adult cash fare from \$2.50 to \$2.75 and the Transbay cash fare from \$6.00 to \$6.50. The Senior/Disabled cash will be \$1.35; \$1.25 with Clipper. The second phase, starting July 1, 2026, will further increase the local cash fare to \$3.00.

5.D. Realign Service Changes

David Berman, Senior Transportation Planner, and Diann Castleberry, External Affairs Representative, gave an update, and received feedback, on the Realign Service Changes, which take effect August 2025.

5.E. Review/Approve GMAC Top Priorities 2025

Kim Ridgeway, Senior Program Specialist, reviewed the top priorities and solicited feedback.

MOTION: Mandell/Bruhns approved the Top Priorities for 2025-2026 with the following change to priority #3: “Advocate for increasing Regional, State and Federal Funding...”. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES – 11: Agarwal, Bruhns, Chapman, Cushman, Fong, Getz, A. Johnson, S. Johnson, Mandell, Robson, Wong, Williams

ABSENT – 1: Chew

5.F. Review Ramp Road Call Report.

Tammy Kylo, Administrative Coordinator, reviewed the Ramp Road Call Report, which covered May 1 – 31, 2025.

6. STANDING REPORTS

6.A. Chair's Report

None.

6.B. Board Liaison Report

President Shaw reported that next year's budget is on the Board Agenda for June 11, 2025. She also reported that all the District breakfast meetings have been completed; and she thanked all the GMAC members that attended.

6.C. Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) PAPCO Report

None. The next PAPCO meeting is June 23, 2025.

6.D. East Bay Paratransit Access Committee (EBPAC) Report

None. The next EBPAC meeting is July 1, 2025.

6.E. GMAC/Veteran Bus Operator Meet Up Report

There was no Meet Up in May. The next Meet Up is scheduled for Tuesday, June 17, 2025.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lucky Maxwell voiced concern about the accessibility of Clipper Start. Diane Shaw offered her contact information so she and Lucky can discuss the program.

8. MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Melissa Getz thanked Shawn Fong for her work as Chair to this Committee and for overseeing a smooth meeting.

Erika Bruhns asked if the GMAC members would be doing ethics training. Mallory Brush, Accessible Services Manager, explained that since the change to the GMAC in 2023, because members are not appointed by Board Members, but by the General Manager, ethics training is no longer a requirement.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS & NEXT MEETING DATE

The next GMAC Meeting will be held Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. This will be a virtual/zoom only meeting.

The following items were requested for future agenda planning:

- Warren Cushman: Training Update. Second by Melissa Getz.
- Shawn Fong: Clipper Next Generation/Clipper 2.0 Update Second by Warren Cushman

Future Agenda Items:

- Discussion on travel training/orientation and mobility [Requested by Warren Cushman on February 13, 2024]
- Discussion on Oakland bus shelter, MTC Funding and Wayfinding [Requested by Warren Cushman on December 10, 2024]

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Tammy Kylo

Secretary to the Committee