

ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT

Master Minute Order

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Type: Regular - Planning

Meeting Body: Board of Directors - Regular

Meeting 10/09/2024

Final Action:

1. The project team are waiting on the City of Fremont on one key decision point on Line 216and the proposed turn at Niles and Nursery and their assessment of possible infrastructurechanges. If we hear affirmatively on Monday 9/23, we would roll back the Line 216 changedepicted in the report.

As of 9/24 the City of Fremont has said yes to infrastructure changes so we're proceeding with the original recommendation from the Draft Final Plan.

2. While we wait for word on this change from Fremont on Monday, updates to the Title VI-analysis with the changes on the table will need to wait, and be delivered by the consultant by-Friday. What is included in the report as of COB 9/20 is a version of the equity analysis based on the Draft Final Plan, NOT the version for on the table approval. Data updates are required and forthcoming, with maps and tables to be updated, but the core part of the copy will not be, and the changes between the Draft Final Plan and the proposed Final Network Plan, while relatively minor on a systemwide basis, are material enough to require the consultant re runtheir scripts with the new network.

As of 9/24 a GTFS feed reflecting the Line 216 recommendation and all changes in the staff-report has been delivered to the consultant and updates are on-going on the Title VI service equity analysis.

- 3. The Engagement Report will be delivered next. THIS week and attached accordingly. Keynumbers from said engagement report are also to be populated at that time. You'll note some-placeholders in the staff report. (updated 9/24)
- 9/27 Engagement Report and appendix with all public comments is attached as attachments 4 and 9, respectively.
- 4. Maps of Proposed Discontinued Segments will also be delivered next THIS week. (updated 9/24)
- 5. A staff presentation will also be delivered next THIS week. (updated 9/24)
- 9/27 the staff presentation has been attached, but needs updates from the updated Title VI-analysis tables.

9/27—also note that the resolution and references to the resolution number are incomplete and need filling out with a resolution number from the District Secretary's office.

Sponsors:

Attachments: STAFF REPORT, Att.1. Resolution 24-035, Att.2. Proposed Final Network Plan Matrix, Att.3.

Alternative 1 Matrix, Att.4. Engagement Report, Att.5. Title VI Analysis, Att.6. Table of Proposed New Streets, Att.7. Map of Discontinued Segments, Att.8. Presentation, Att.9. Engagement Report Appendix (includes all public comments), Red Folder - Public Comment - AC Transit Letter RE Realign service changes 2024-10-03, Red Folder - Realign Title VI - Public Advocates

Related Files:

Agenda Title:

Consider adopting Resolution No. 24-035, which approves the proposed Realign Final Network Plan and Realign+ service additions, approves the service equity analyses, and directs the General Counsel to file a Notice of Exemption with Alameda and Contra Costa Counties and any other parties as may be required.

Staff Contact:

Ramakrishna Pochiraju, Executive Director of Planning & Engineering Claudia Burgos, Director of Legislative Affairs & Community Relations

Legislative Action & Summary

Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Result:
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Action Text:

MOTION: SYED/BECKLES to direct staff to review the concerns raised alleging inaccuracies in the Title IV analysis; identify the process, timeline, and community engagement plan for changes in the paratransit service; continue to work with ATU on the concerns raised regarding lack of break time and access to bathrooms, cease study of using non-ATU workers for micro transit, and report to the Board in three months.

Further discussion ensued. Upon request, General Counsel clarified the procedure regarding substitute motions by referring to Board Policy 101 and the procedures outlined in the Robert's Rules of Order.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to adopt Resolution No. 24-035, which directs the General Counsel to file a Notice of Exemption with Alameda and Contra Counties and any other parties that may be required, approves the staff's proposed Realign Final Network Plan (including micro transit better known as Flex Service) and excludes Realign + which shall be looked into further at a later point. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: SHAW, WALSH, McCALLEY, PEEPLES, YOUNG

Noes: BECKLES, SYED

MOTION: PEEPLES/McCALLEY to direct staff and the outside consultant to finish their review of Director Syed's and Laurel Paget-Seekins' Title VI analysis and report back to the Board with an explanation of their responses. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Notes:

[Written comment received prior to the meeting are incorporated into the file by reference.]

presentation Senior Transportation Planner Berman regarding Realign Project. David made the Director of Legislative **Affairs** and Community Outreach Claudia Burgos presented the project's outreach efforts.

Public Comment:

ATU Local 192 Representatives:

- Latrina Meredith (President),
- Nathaniel Arnold (Vice President)
- James Jackson
- Taheed Sabrie
- Darren Xie
- Lupe Miller
- Michael Miller
- Tywonya Spring
- Lisa Honeycutt
- Christopher Garcia
- David Lyons
- Jack Watkins
- Lawnele Jones
- Manjit Gill
- Phyllis Jackson
- Steven Vaniman
- Eddie Sanchez
- Cassandra
- Steven Jefferson
- Ronald Baskin
- Darlene
- Aaron Olden
- John Williams
- Lisa Jackson
- Kelly Turner
- Sarah Ropati
- Rigoberto Alonso
- Sucari Perkins
- Alisa Jackson
- Keith Brown
- Stephanie Butler
- Anitria Brown

- Russel
- Tonya
- AC Junior
- Jasmine Bryant

ATU Local 1555 Representatives:

- Erica Joven
- Michael Granata

Members of the Public:

- Beverly Chanier,
- Jesse Gunn,
- Marc Lispi,
- Noor Rizvi
- Laurel Pageant Seekins,
- Ellen Murray,
- Josh Anijar
- Anwar Baroudi
- George Spies
- Marceline
- John Murray
- Carter Lavin
- Sophia Dewitt
- Michai Freeman
- Sheela Gunn,
- Anthony Campana
- Joanna Pace
- Warren Cushman
- Giovanni

ATU 192, ATU 1555 and members of the public spoke in opposition to the realign plan regarding the following subjects.

Bus lines: 51, 21, 20, 14, 7, 18, 72, 99, 10 - it was suggested that these lines not be eliminated and have shorter headways.

Safety: Issues raised were the interactions between passengers and drivers with mentally ill patrons, longer wait times, line cuts to minority and low-income areas and that Realign will create angry passengers and unsafe working conditions.

Micro-transit: Drivers, patrons, and union leaders voiced opposition to micro-transit and expressed fear that micro-transit will lead to the outsourcing of jobs, ultimately reducing the number of drivers and leading to self-driving buses.

Paratransit: Many speakers were against cutting paratransit service due to limited alternatives for the elderly and disabled. They also worry that this population would have difficulty utilizing the app and learning a new system.

Employee Needs: Most speakers were in solidarity with the union and workers regarding meal and periods. Many drivers stated they are stressed: their health declining, and an immediate/effective plan is needed to address the restroom issue.

Regional Measure/Funding for Service: The Metropolitan Transportation Commission's proposed Regional Measure was mentioned as a solution to funding for the transit plan. Members were encouraged to attend/participate a meeting on October 21st so that the ideas brought forth could be properly funded and approached as a multi-organizational collaboration.

The following member of the public spoke in support of the Realign plan.

Lisa Foster: Transportation Manager for the City of Alameda commented in favor of Realign. Foster thanked the Board for keeping the 51A service in Alameda and for its responsiveness to Alameda community needs. Although all suggestions were not implemented in the Realign plan, the City looks forward to collaborating with AC Transit soon.