



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 4:00 PM
Regular Meeting 5:00 PM

HYBRID MEETING

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

Wednesday, April 22, 2026 at 5:00 PM
Accessible agenda linked here <https://bit.ly/4ciYZi7> .

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
JELENA HARADA, INTERIM DISTRICT SECRETARY

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Board of Directors held a meeting on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of Closed Session. All Board members were present. The Board convened in Closed Session to discuss Items 7A-7D as listed on the agenda. Closed Session concluded at 4:42 p.m.

President Shaw called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

[Written comment received prior to the meeting is incorporated by reference as Exhibit A to the minutes.]

Melissa Getz commented on her efforts to reinstate local bus stops on Pierce Street in Albany, noting her proposal to extend the 18 and 52 bus lines to the El Cerrito Plaza BART station. Getz discussed the potential for collaboration with the City of Albany to subsidize AC Transit services. Getz also brought petitions for the "Save Public Transit Initiative", offering to collect signatures from registered voters in Alameda and Contra Costa counties during the meeting.

Latrina Meredith, President, ATU Local 192, expressed concerns from retirees about tardy retirement checks. Meredith requested that the Board take action to remedy this issue for their retirees.

4. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

Agenda Item 6.D. was considered prior to Agenda Item 6.C. For ease of reading and consistency with the published agenda, the minutes are recorded in agenda order.

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

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to receive, approve, or adopt the items on the Consent Calendar except item 6.B. which was pulled off for clarification. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

5.A. Consider approving Board of Directors meeting minutes of April 8, 2026.

[26-047](#)

Staff Contact:
Jelena Harada, Interim District Secretary

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to approve the Board of Directors meeting minutes of April 8, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 5.B.** Consider authorizing the Interim District Secretary to begin recruitment to fill AC Transit's representative position on the Alameda County Transportation (ACTC) Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC). [26-204](#)

Staff Contact:

Jelena Harada, Interim District Secretary

The agenda item was removed from the Consent Calendar by Director Walsh to clarify that the referenced Bike-Pedestrian Committee improvements pertain to Alameda County.

MOTION: WALSH/McCALLEY to authorize the Interim District Secretary to begin recruitment to fill AC Transit's representative position on the Alameda County Transportation (ACTC) Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC). The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 5.C.** Consider approving amendments to Board Policy 316 - Debt Management Policy. [26-146](#)

Staff Contact:

Chris Andrichak, Chief Financial Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to approve amendments to Board Policy 316 - Debt Management Policy. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 5.D.** Consider adoption of Resolution No. 26-008 authorizing the General Manager or designee to file and execute applications and funding agreements with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for allocations of the FY 2025-26 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) funds for the Realign Service Operating Service Assistance Project, execute related Certifications and Assurances and assign the General Manager, or designee, as the Authorized Agent for resulting LCTOP grants. [26-154](#)

Staff Contact:

Chris Andrichak, Chief Financial Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to adopt Resolution No. 26-008 authorizing the General Manager or designee to file and execute applications and funding agreements with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for allocations of the FY 2025-26 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) funds for the Realign Service

Operating Service Assistance Project, execute related Certifications and Assurances and assign the General Manager, or designee, as the Authorized Agent for resulting LCTOP grants. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 5.E.** Consider adoption of Resolution No. 26-006 authorizing the General Manager, or designee, to file and execute applications and funding agreements with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 allocations of Transportation Development Act (TDA), State Transit Assistance (STA), Assembly Bill 1107 (AB 1107) Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Bridge Toll Revenues and Regional Measure 3 (RM3) Bridge Toll Revenues. [26-156](#)

Staff Contact:

Chris Andrichak, Chief Financial Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to adopt Resolution No. 26-006 authorizing the General Manager, or designee, to file and execute applications and funding agreements with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 allocations of Transportation Development Act (TDA), State Transit Assistance (STA), Assembly Bill 1107 (AB 1107) Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Bridge Toll Revenues and Regional Measure 3 (RM3) Bridge Toll Revenues. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 5.F.** Consider adoption of Resolution No. 26-007 authorizing the General Manager, or designee, to file and execute applications and funding agreements with the California Department of Transportation for allocation of the California State of Good Repair (SGR) Program; to provide certifications and assurances to the California Department of Transportation; and to assign the General Manager or designee as the authorized agent for the California State of Good Repair (SGR) Program. [26-155](#)

Staff Contact:

Chris Andrichak, Chief Financial Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to adopt Resolution No. 26-007 authorizing the General Manager, or designee, to file and execute applications and funding agreements with the California Department of Transportation for allocation of the California State of Good Repair (SGR) Program; to provide certifications and assurances to the California Department of Transportation; and to assign the General Manager or designee as the authorized agent for the California State of Good Repair (SGR) Program. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

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- 5.G.** Consider approving amendments to Board Policy 260 - Prohibiting Unlawful Employment Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation. [26-178](#)

Staff Contact:

Salvador Llamas, General Manager/Chief Executive Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to approve amendments to Board Policy 260 - Prohibiting Unlawful Employment Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 5.H.** Consider approving the award of a contract for onsite and short notice drug and alcohol testing to Alcohol and Drug Testing Services (ADTS) for a three-year base term with two (2) one-year options. [26-180](#)

Staff Contact:

James Arcellana, Executive Director of Human Resources

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to approve the award of a contract for onsite and short notice drug and alcohol testing to Alcohol and Drug Testing Services (ADTS) for a three-year base term with two (2) one-year options. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 5.I.** Consider receiving the Semi-annual Strategic Plan progress update. [26-201](#)

Staff Contact:

Ahsan Baig, Chief Information Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to receive the Semi-annual Strategic Plan progress update. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6. REGULAR CALENDAR

External Affairs Items - Chair Sandhu

- 6.A.** Consider receiving the Monthly Legislative Report and approving legislative positions. [26-200](#)

Staff Contact:

Claudia Burgos, Executive Director of External Affairs & Customer Experience

Director of Legislative Affairs and Community Relations Steven Jones presented the staff report. There were no public comments offered.

MOTION: SHAW/YOUNG to receive the Monthly Legislative Report and approve

legislative positions. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 6.B.** Considering receiving a report on the Next Generation Clipper implementation

[26-203](#)

Staff Contact:

Ahsan Baig, Chief Information Officer

Claudia Burgos, Executive Director of External Affairs & Customer Experience

Senior Project Manager Patricia Broadbent presented the staff report. There were no public comments offered.

MOTION: SHAW/YOUNG to receive a report on the Next Generation Clipper implementation and directed staff to return within two Board meetings with the information necessary for the Board to consider and make a decision regarding the 25-cent discount and related next steps. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Finance and Audit Items - Chair Walsh

- 6.C.** Consider authorizing the General Manager to bind the District's 2026-2027 Transit Operations Insurance Program.

[26-159](#)

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/McCALLEY to authorize the General Manager to bind the District's 2026-2027 Transit Operations Insurance Program. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Planning Items - Chair McCalley

- 6.D.** Consider receiving a report on converting to fixed paratransit operating hours. [Requested by President Shaw - 12/10/2025.]

[26-177](#)

Staff Contact:

Ramakrishna Pochiraju, Executive Director of Planning & Engineering

Paratransit Services Manager Mallory Nestor Brush presented the staff report.

Public Comments:

Melissa Getz, Member, AC Transit General Manager's Access Committee, requested that Paratransit scheduling concerns be discussed at a future GMAC meeting. Getz emphasizes the importance of including a presentation with visual aids to clarify the proposals for changes to the paratransit schedules, noting that visual information helps in understanding the discussion better.

MOTION: SHAW/SANDHU to receive a report on converting to fixed paratransit operating hours. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Operations Items - Chair Silva

- 6.E.** Consider approving a three-year contract with the Alameda County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) to provide sworn law enforcement for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029, with two one-year extension options upon mutual agreement.

[26-205](#)

Staff Contact:

Salvador Llamas, General Manager/Chief Executive Officer

Manager of Public Safety and Security Ron Erb presented the staff report.

Public Comments:

Latrina Meredith, President, ATU Local 192, expressed support for extending the contract with the Alameda County Sheriff's Office, emphasizing the urgent need for enhanced bus operator safety amid rising mental illness issues with passengers.

James Jackson, ATU Local 192 Business Agent, requested additional data from the Sheriff's office on arrests, assaults, and "slip & fall" calls to which they were dispatched. Jackson noted concerns that the Sheriff's office needs to better substantiate its budget needs with hard facts at this time, when the District is saying it doesn't have money to spend.

Nolan Briggs, Assistant Business Agent for Maintenance, Clerical, and Stores, commented on an unfair incident in which bus maintenance workers were called out for missing trash collection at some bus stops.

MOTION: WALSH/YOUNG to approve a three-year contract with the Alameda County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) to provide sworn law enforcement for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029, with two one-year extension options upon mutual agreement, and direct staff to provide data on fare enforcement in the next report. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7. CLOSED SESSION/REPORT OUT

General Counsel Aimee Steele reported out on the following:

MOTION: SHAW/MCCALLEY to approve settlement in the amount of \$216,136.08 in the matter of Subrosamart a/s/o Ross Diversified Insurance Services, Claim No.25-AL00270-A4. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7.A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

(Paragraph 1 of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Tommy Khoeum v. Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District; ADR Case Number: AC-ADR-000380

7.B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: One Matter:

Claim of Subrosamart a/s/o Ross Diversified Insurance Services; Claim Number: 25-AL00270-A4

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

7.D. Public Employee Performance Evaluation

(Government Code Section 54957)

Title: General Manager, General Counsel, District Secretary

8. AGENDA PLANNING

Directors are limited to two agenda planning requests per meeting. Each item requested shall have the concurrence of three Directors, including the requestor.

- 8.A.** Review of the Agenda Planning Pending List and an Agenda Planning Request Form submitted by Director Walsh. [26-018g](#)

Staff Contact:

Jelena Harada, Interim District Secretary

Director Walsh's Agenda Planning Request was provided in the agenda packet. President Shaw presented an amendment to the request, which was accepted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

James Bowie III expressed concern that the proposed amendment was unclear.

9. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- 9.A.** General Manager's Report for April 22, 2026 [26-061c](#)

Staff Contact:
Salvador Llamas Chief Executive Officer / General Manager

The report was presented for information only.

Public Comments:

Eddie Sanchez commented that a position at Division 3's Maintenance Department is currently unfilled.

10. BOARD/STAFF COMMENTS

(Government Code Section 53232.3(d))

Members of a legislative body shall provide brief reports on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency at the next regular meeting of the legislative body.

10.A. Written reports from Board members on travel to District-related conferences occurring in the last 30 days. [26-019g](#)

Staff Contact:
Jelena Harada, Interim District Secretary

No reports were entered into the record.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for May 13, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully,

/s/ Jelena Harada
Interim District Secretary

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Agenda item 3.

Written Public Comment

Anonymous: I am writing to address a serious concern. Many people in the disability community are fearful of bringing forward their concerns to AC Transit because they believe their voices will not be heard and that no meaningful action will be taken.

At this point, trust and confidence in AC Transit's willingness to listen and act on these concerns are very low. If this continues, that trust may soon be lost entirely.

All I am asking is that AC Transit demonstrate that it takes disability concerns seriously and show a genuine willingness to rebuild trust with this community.