BART/AC Transit Inter-agency Liaison Committee 10/2/19 Meeting Notes

Chair - Director Saltzman

- 1. Roll Call, Welcome, Intros
- 2. Announcements/ Public Comments
- 3. MTC Update and overview
 - a. Working w/BART in DC on Core Capacity
 - b. approval for MTC to be able to issue debt against formula funds (specifically for BART fleet expansion -- but allowing it for other transit agencies to use these funds for fleet expansion)
 - c. Means Based Fare Pilot several transit agencies incl BART, Muni, SamTrans, (others). Not AC Transit because would've spent the whole budget just them -- but on their Wishlist. RM2 funding avail (~\$600k)
 - d. Plan Bay Area 2050
 - i. in the wake of Horizons initiative non-fiscally constrained visioning exercise.
 Including planning for uncertainty.
 - ii. Mega-Measure: FASTER Bay Area presentation to MTC on Oct 23rd.
 - 1. Hursh FYI, transit agencies having a weekly call,
 - 2. Tess Town Hall this Thursday. 3-4:30 technical staff, 6-8pm open to public. at Alameda CTC.
 - iii. Housing regional housing authority that would have the capacity to put on the ballot funding to underwrite more affordable housing in the region. Not regulatory.
 - 1. Peeples: How can we get cities to build housing in their cities more.
 - a. Therese: Merging of MTC/ABAG staff but not the boards yet. the previous mechanisms are not working. At least everyone is recognizing the crisis. MTC and ABAG have specific roles in SB1487. Transportation/housing funding mechanisms not connected. Who is going to show up to the table to help solve regional housing issues?
 - 2. Raburn: impacts of homelessness. Don't allow people to park RV's/put up tents in the slow lane of 880, but we do allow it in parks, trails, and near transit stations. People will switch to driving because of this.
 - a. Therese: Bigger issue than just transportation and housing, but also healthcare. BART has HOT team. Clearly requires resources at local/state/fed level. coordination with county/city jurisdictions. Is there a regional response, or whether the nature of the problem dictates a more local response/resources is an issue and a partnership needs to be built with it.
- 4. MTC Transit Agency Representation: Beverly Greene (AC Transit)
 - a. Beverly Greene: request how AC Transit 3 largest carrier and BART 2nd largest carrier can participate in
 - b. Rod Lee: Reconsider because AC/BART have publicly elected board's
 - c. Therese: as ED, don't have the authority (or interest) to make a decision on this. Need to talk to and coordinate with peers on MTC Board members. Therese will raise issue with them.
 - i. Transit ISSUES were not represented in MPOs, never an idea that every transit agency would have a seat, but that a transit agency voice would be there. If there are

shortcomings in how the issues of transit agencies, or your issues are specifically not being represented.

- d. Saltzman: Rulemaking was being made at staff level because the way it was initially addressed was at staff level -
- e. Simon: begin a formal conversation at the director level would be great. is that something that staff can facilitate
- f. Therese: issue of governance coming up in general will bring this up with board. I will make that recommendation. How transit representation more broadly, and what rules you would have for the transit family overall (instead of just representing AC or BART), because it opens up much more than that.
- g. Peeples: I represented 4 transit agencies on the board of the CCTA- that's what would be needed in this situation
- h. Hursh: Maneuvered to have VTA (also a special district)... VTA and AC have similar demographics, but very different in policy ... lack of representation in policy-making conversations. Can't go into 2060 without the representation of 2 of the largest transit agencies.
- i. Simon: grateful to have your leadership in the bay area.
- j. Therese: At any point if you want us to return to talk about any particular program/opportunity, please don't hesitate to ask.

5. MacArthur BART

- a. Concern that Emery Go-Round won't have enough space for layovers
- b. Lack of enforcement with TNCs, but this is expensive.
- c. Need better wayfinding especially because there are so many providers at this station. big issue for station agents because signage doesn't provide needed information
- d. TNC coordination important (move them to Passenger Loading B)
- e. Lighting at faregates still needs to be improved.
- f. Able to move the AC Transit Stop immediately. Will need to coordinate to determine how best to implement changes overall, as OakDOT doesn't have staff/funding available to make these changes. Just
- g. Saltzman happy with the solution. Old solution made waiting for the 57 unsafe at night
- h. Peeples Is Emery Go-Round on the service road or on 40th?
- i. Simon what was the configuration
- j. Peeples need to revisit regularly and need to have the ability to ticket vehicles in the bus stops
- k. Jumana working with the TNCs to geo-fence their drop-off location around the BART station
- I. Peeples TNCs shouldn't be on the nearside of the service road. Needs to be better wayfinding to know where you pick up different transportation services
- m. Jumana best way to manage the station is to look where people are dropping off and working around that; and also making it work for transit
- n. Peeples piece that is missing is the wayfinding
 - i. Jumana hope to improve wayfinding significantly; AC Transit installed temp wayfinding to get to their stops. What stop locations to be intuitive and clear
- o. Simon BART needs to make wayfinding that works for everyone; we can look into Emery Go-round's needs. What is the timeline for implementation and is there more coordination to be done?

- i. Jumana need to paint curbs and install signs. AC can move a stop temporarily as an immediate improvement to the security issues. We can also create a geofence for the TNCs on the farside of the service road.
- ii. Peeples what needs to get done?
 - 1. Jumana only striping and signage
- Simon would like an update at the next meeting; any changes need to be clearly communicated
- q. Raburn people tend to follow directions if properly signed
 - Jumana we have temporary signage at Lake Merritt that could be used in this instance
- r. Raburn what about private shuttles?
 - Jumana hope to have more space opened up with the City to have more space for shuttles
 - ii. Jumana it is an iterative process that we can always revisit
- s. Raburn thanked staff
- t. Aaron can produce more permanent signs
- 6. Paratransit Update
 - a. Mallory audit will come back at the next meeting
 - b. Laura Timothy software evaluation and management audit; will come back
 - c. Mallory submitted a Caltrans grant for 5310 funding to defray staff costs to better provide regional connections; better communications between providers on connections
 - d. Laura legal teams are looking at amendments to the lease. Want to move us out by December 2022; need a decision by 2020.
 - e. Peeples we seem to be in a position to be aggressive
 - f. Tom Prescott big focus on the neighbors right now; interest in paratransit will increase

7. San Leandro BART TC Update

- a. Joe Callaway: Staff from both BART and AC Transit working together collaboratively to move this forward, with a focus on quality installation, and to ensure safety of both passengers, and minimize inconvenience. Phase 1 is complete. buses in intermodal and shuttles moved out to San Leandro Blvd. Phase 2 in progress plan to do paving next week. Phase 3 move island buses to station side to construct BRT platform. Phase 4 scheduled to be completed in early December to make date for mid-December operations start. Phase 5 operator restroom finally able to address design issues including city desires and pigeon abatement, moving forward with submittals, etc. Everything on time and on schedule.
- b. Raburn: Lockers moved out of the path (which
- 8. Restroom Access for AC Transit Operators:
 - a. Sal Llamas: Completed first restroom at Fruitvale. coordinating with union. ~140 layovers). Construction started at Hayward.
 - b. Callaway: 8 restrooms. 4 essentially converted closets, 4 separate construction. All accessible from outside. operators very excited.
- 10. Future Agenda Items:
 - a. MacArthur: Emery Go-Round (get someone from their side probably from city since Emeryville Go-Round is contracted service).
 - b. Financial Audit of Paratransit
 - c. BART TOD update
 - d. Fare Coordination.
 - e. AC will put out a Doodle poll for next ILC date.
- 11. Peeples: comment on zero emission bus conference.