



ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES

Board of Directors - Regular Meeting

VIRTUAL MEETING

Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 5:00 PM

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MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ELSA ORTIZ, PRESIDENT (WARD 3)

JOEL YOUNG, VICE PRESIDENT (AT-LARGE)

JOVANKA BECKLES (WARD 1)

JEAN WALSH (WARD 2)

MARK WILLIAMS (WARD 4)

DIANE SHAW (WARD 5)

H. E. CHRISTIAN PEEPLES (AT-LARGE)

BOARD OFFICERS

MICHAEL A. HURSH, GENERAL MANAGER

JILL A. SPRAGUE, GENERAL COUNSEL

LINDA A. NEMEROFF, DISTRICT SECRETARY

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Board of Directors held a regular virtual meeting on Wednesday, August 11, 2021.

Members of the Board participated via video conference from off-site locations in accordance with the Executive Order N-08-21. Pursuant to the Executive Order, notice of teleconference locations is not required.

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

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

3. PRESENTATION

- 3.A.** Update on Bay Bridge Forward and Dumbarton Forward [Requested by [21-369](#)
President Ortiz - 7/14/21 & Director Shaw - 5/21/21]

Metropolitan Transportation Commission presenters Kevin Chen and Linda Lee gave updates on the Bay Bridge Forward and Dumbarton Forward initiatives.

Public Comment:

Dave Campbell, Advocacy Director for Bike East Bay, expressed appreciation for the MTC presentation and requested that additional information on the East Bay portion of the Bay Bridge Forward project be made available. Campbell requested answers about what to do to improve transit speed through the Ardenwood area.

Adina Levin, Dumbarton Corridor Coalition, thanked MTC and AC Transit for its presentation addressing buses on the Dumbarton Bridge Corridor. Levin expressed appreciation for the good work in prioritizing the creation of bus lanes in Union City, Fremont, and at the I-80 corridor.

Patrick Traugher expressed appreciation and support for the work of MTC and the District to improve Transbay service.

Sheela Gunn-Cushman noted the need for design modifications to existing pedestrian island bus stops that address the needs of riders with disabilities.

Board Discussion:

Director Shaw inquired about Bay Bridge Forward and asked if sharing the HOV lane would actually help buses travel faster on Interstate 580 if the Bay Bridge is backed up. She also inquired if there was a way for the bus to bypass the toll booth and congestion at the toll plaza. Mr. Chen advised that staff are investigating the possibility of converting an existing general-purpose lane to an HOV lane but recognized the need to minimize the impact on the other general-purpose lanes. He added that due to the fact that vehicles in the HOV lane require three occupants, the traffic is expected to flow fairly well. With regard to the toll plaza, he advised that the HOV lanes flow well through the toll plaza, and upgrades to the metering lights are intended to keep the

HOV lanes flowing.

Director Shaw further inquired about Dumbarton Forward, saying that she is very concerned about congestion on the east side of the bridge and suggested that more thought be given to the configuration. She requested that Union City, Fremont, AC Transit and Capital Corridor meet to talk about the new station at Ardenwood and discuss the best way to alleviate congestion on the east side of the bridge. Director Shaw volunteered to participate in discussions.

Director Shaw appreciated the left turn lane onto Willow, but also hoped that there would be more changes on Willow to benefit transit, expressing surprise that public money was being spent on changes that appeared to benefit private shuttles.

Director Beckles shared the concerns raised by one of the public speakers about disability access at the proposed pedestrian islands and asked if the plan had been presented to AC Transit's Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC). Ms. Lee advised that there had been no meetings with the AAC, but the modifications would follow ADA standards. Director Beckles felt it was important for the ADA community to have input into the design.

Director Walsh reported that staff's representation of congestion on the Bay Bridge did not comport with her typical experience when riding the bus on the bridge, saying that congestion was not limited to the approach, but was also present/intermittent on the span. Mr. Chen advised that the GPS data was collected from AC Transit and was representative of typical commute conditions, but acknowledged that there are times when speeds are lower because congestion is worse.

The item was presented for information only.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Sheela Gunn-Cushman noted the continued issue of bus stop announcements occurring too early, confusing visually impaired passengers, and causing missed stops. Gunn-Cushman also asked that the Line 39 bus stop at the Fruitvale BART Station be moved back to its original location.

A number of public speakers expressed their support of retroactive hazard pay for AC Transit Bus Operators, Service Employees and other Front-Line Workers of the District and hoped management would meet with union representatives to actively negotiate its implementation as soon as possible. Several public speakers gave their personal accounts of the working conditions that merit back hazard pay. Public speakers included:

Sultana Adams, D3 Bus Operator.

Nathan, Peoples Transit Alliance, East Bay Democratic Socialists of America (PTA-EBDSA).

Eric Chavez, ATU265.

Rachel Garcia-Feezel, ATU265.

Adina Levin, Friends of Caltrain & Voices for Public Transportation Coalition.

Richard Marcantonio, Public Advocates & Voices for Public Transportation Coalition.

Matthew L, PTA-EBDSA.

Phyllis Jackson, D3 Service Employee.

Stephanie, Bus Operator, ATU265, who also thanked AC Transit for its support of VTA following the recent gun violence incident.

James Jackson, Assistant Business Agent, ATU192.

Ruscal Cayangyang, who also commented that he hopes to see AC Transit at Oakland Pride event.

Alana Kessler, PTA-EBDSA.

Emily Wheeler

Jimmy Le, PTA-EBDSA, who also thanked the Board for hearing-out public speakers.

Patrick Traugher who also expressed hope that Transbay service resume on weekends.

Joty Dhaliwal, PTA-EBDSA.

Hayden Miller, who also noted that pay rate for AC Transit Operators must become more competitive in order to attract and retain them.

Lisa Honeycutt, D2 Bus Operator, also thanked the Board for hearing-out public speakers.

5. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no modifications to the agenda.

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

Public Comment:

No public comment was offered.

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to receive, approve or adopt the items on the Consent Calendar as indicated, with the exception of Item 6.M. which was pulled off the Consent Calendar and acted upon separately. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

6.A. Consider approving Board of Directors minutes of July 14, 2021.

[21-373](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to approve the Board of Directors minutes of July 14, 2021.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

6.B. Consider approving the Board of Directors minutes of July 28, 2021.

[21-383](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to approve the Board of Directors minutes of July 28, 2021.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

6.C. Consider receiving the Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes of June 8, 2021.

[21-364](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to receive the Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes of

June 8, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.D.** Consider receiving the Quarterly Report on the District's involvement in external planning processes. [21-356](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to receive the Quarterly Report on the District's involvement in external planning processes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.E.** Consider receiving the Monthly Legislative Report and approval of legislative positions if necessary. [21-121](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to receive the Monthly Legislative Report and approval of legislative positions if necessary. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.F.** Consider receiving the Monthly Report on Investments for June 2021. [21-384](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to receive the Monthly Report on Investments for June 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.G.** Consider receiving the bi-monthly budget update for the period of July 2020 through June 2021 of FY 2020-21. [21-374](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to receive the bi-monthly budget update for the period of July 2020 through June 2021 of FY 2020-21. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.H.** Consider receiving the FY 2020-21 Fourth Quarter Travel and Meeting Expense Report for Directors and Board Officers. [21-339](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to receive the FY 2020-21 Fourth Quarter Travel and Meeting Expense Report for Directors and Board Officers. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.I.** Consider receiving the FY 2020-21 Fourth Quarter Employee Out-of-State Travel Report. [21-386](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to receive the FY 2020-21 Fourth Quarter Employee Out-of-State Travel Report. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.J.** Consider receiving the Quarterly Report on the Status of Active Contracts and Spending Amounts over \$250,000. [21-362](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to receive the Quarterly Report on the Status of Active

Contracts and Spending Amounts over \$250,000. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.K.** Consider receiving the FY 2020-21 Fourth Quarter Surplus and Obsolete Materials Report. [21-363](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to receive the FY 2020-21 Fourth Quarter Surplus and Obsolete Materials Report. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.L.** Consider the adoption of Resolution No. 21-028 establishing the Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2021-22 at \$584,043,403. [21-312a](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to adopt Resolution No. 21-028 establishing the Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2021-22 at \$584,043,403. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.M.** Consider receiving the fare equity analysis for the Clipper START program. [21-346](#)

Director Walsh pulled agenda item 6.M. off the Consent Callendar to inquire why a discount program for low-income riders would be discriminatory to low-income riders. Director Walsh also asked if there was a way for transit agencies to coordinate efforts to conduct one fare equity analysis for regional programs rather than each agency doing their own.

Program Manager for Contracts Compliance and Title VI Programs Phillip Halley advised that the Federal Transit Association requires an analysis of whether the fares go up or down. General Manager Michael Hursh advised that while it is time-consuming for staff, the Title VI analysis is a federal mandate before any fare change.

MOTION: WALSH/BECKLES to receive the fare equity analysis for the Clipper START program. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 6.N.** Consider authorizing the General Manager or his designee to file and execute grant applications and funding agreements with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Areas of Persistent Poverty Program. [21-378](#)

MOTION: SHAW/WALSH to authorize the General Manager or his designee to file and execute grant applications and funding agreements with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Areas of Persistent Poverty Program. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

7. REGULAR CALENDAR**Finance and Audit Items - Chair Shaw**

- 7.A.** Consider receiving a report on the rotation of financial audit service firms. [Requested by Director Peeples - 6/23/2021] [21-361](#)

Acting Controller Kenneth Myers presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

No public comment was offered.

Board Discussion:

Director Peeples felt staff's analysis was incorrect, saying that the District needed to rotate audit firms every five years to avoid the establishment of a comfortable relationship between the auditors and staff. He added that he was not critical of the existing audit firm who had done a good job, but felt rotating audit partners was not the same as rotating the firm itself. He further questioned whether the failure to rotate firms every five years would breach the Board's fiduciary responsibility to uphold the integrity of the audit process and advised that he knew of lots of government agencies that regularly rotate firms.

Director Shaw advised that when she recently met with the auditor, she inquired about the issue of rotating the personnel associated with the audit and was advised that the majority of the audit team had been rotated for the current audit engagement.

Director Beckles agreed with the need to have a competitive procurement process but wanted to know if the Board was willing to entertain the idea of allowing a firm to serve as auditor for two-full terms. Chair Shaw asked the District Secretary how this would be handled procedurally since the staff report was a briefing item. District Secretary Linda Nemeroff advised that staff could be directed to bring a policy amendment back and have further discussion of the actual policy. General Counsel Jill Sprague advised that the District must comply with open and fair procurement requirements and that automatically excluding a firm from competing for a contract would run afoul of those requirements and possibly subject the District to litigation. She added that having an open and fair procurement process every five years satisfied the concern of not getting too comfortable with an audit firm and did not restrict who can bid on the service.

Director Peeples advised that while he would vote to receive the report, he would seek to place an item on a future agenda to discuss a policy change, believing that further legal analysis was warranted.

MOTION: ORTIZ/WALSH to receive a report on the rotation of financial audit service firms. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 7.B.** Consider authorizing the General Manager to provide free bus rides from 12:00 a.m. until 11:59 p.m. every Friday during the month of September 2021.

[21-347](#)

Acting Marketing Manager Eden Gerson presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

John Minot, East Bay Transit Riders Union (EBTRU), expressed support of AC Transit's promotion of free bus fares as promoted in the Staff Report.

Hayden Miller expressed support of AC Transit's promotion of free bus fares as promoted in the Staff Report. Miller noted that Transbay fares are still too expensive and local ride transfers are not equitable.

Katy Scott-Smith, PTA-EBDSA, expressed support of AC Transit's promotion of free bus fares as promoted in the Staff Report. Scott-Smith noted that using funds from the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) in innovative ways is smart, but one month is not sufficient to change ridership habits compared to longer timeline. Scott-Smith added that a fare reduction promotion might also prove helpful toward increasing ridership.

Joty Dhaliwal, PTA-EBDSA, expressed support of AC Transit's promotion of free bus fares as promoted in the Staff Report, but noted that a one-month program is too short. Dhaliwal suggested the program time be 3-6 months, adding that a longer-term \$1-discount fare promotion may be another good idea and that testing of this idea would offer good feedback.

Jimmy Le, PTA-EBDSA, expressed support of AC Transit's promotion of free bus fares as promoted in the Staff Report and suggested that the District implement a fare reduction promotion.

Matthew L, PTA-EBDSA, expressed support of AC Transit's promotion of free bus fares as promoted in the Staff Report, but is not strongly confident about this strategy to improve ridership. Matthew L urged the Board to review and come up with promotions that affect more "every-day-of-the-week" riders.

Board Discussion:

Director Beckles felt that Free Fare Friday was a wonderful idea but suggested that if the idea was to attract new riders, consideration should be given to allow free rides for three months or reduce the bus fare to \$1. She added that the ARP funds from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission or the funds set aside to advertise Free Fare Fridays could be used to support these types of fare initiatives. General Manager Hursh advised that staff will be presenting a list of options for using the ARP money in September. He went on further to say that Free Fare Fridays was easy to implement and did not require any reprogramming for Clipper, which costs money. He went on further to add that there is already a lot pressure to spend ARP money on other things like restoring 100% service levels, hazard pay for operators and that ARP money is needed to make up for what is not being collected at the farebox and was critical to the operation of the District.

Director Beckles also wanted to know what kind of analysis would be done to

determine the effectiveness of the program on ridership. Mr. Hursh advised that staff will be closely watching the ridership impacts on Fridays as well as whether we will see a drop in ridership on other days of the week.

Director Walsh thanked staff for their efforts but agreed with Director Beckles' idea of doing something more for a longer period of time given the amount effort and money that will be expended to advertise the benefit to riders. Director Walsh was also curious about ridership impacts and hoped there would be an analysis provided at the end of the promotion.

Director Shaw wanted to know if the ridership data would be separated between local and Transbay. Mr. Hursh advised that not all buses were equipped with passenger counters and staff would do its best to gather reliable data.

MOTION: WILLIAMS/PEEPLES to authorize the General Manager to provide free bus rides from 12:00 a.m. until 11:59 p.m. every Friday during the month of September 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

Nayes: Young

Operations Items - Chair Beckles

- 7.C.** Consider adoption of Resolution No. 21-030 adjusting the wages of Unrepresented District Employees, excluding Board Officers.

[21-355](#)

Chief Financial Officer Chris Andrichak presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

No public comment was offered.

Board Discussion:

There was no discussion.

MOTION: ORTIZ/WILLIAMS to adopt Resolution No. 21-030 adjusting the wages of Unrepresented District Employees, excluding Board Officers. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 7.D.** Consider receiving the Quarterly Operations Performance Report for AC Transit Fixed Route Services during the Fourth Quarter (Q4) of Fiscal Year 2022.

[21-333](#)

Director of Transportation Derik Calhoun presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

Katy Scott-Smith, PTA-EBDSA, expressed concern with the reporting of Key

Performance Indicators (KPI) related to the contract with the Alameda County Sheriff's Office as well as the reporting of the Sheriff's shadow bus riding activity. Scott-Smith noted the personal observation of never seeing a Sheriff's Deputy board a bus or shadow a bus and felt clarity in the reporting of this activity was needed.

John Minot, EBTRU, believed there needed to be more granularity in the reporting of KPI's and wondered why KPI reporting was not provided for the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Department. Minot further commented that the KPI for on-time performance had exceeded the goal and wondered if the goals should be raised. Minot noted that performance should reflect a multi-year KPI.

Jimmy Le, PTA-EBDSA, expressed support and agreement of the comments made by the previous speakers and hoped that all reporting continues to be as transparent. Le noted that KPI information would benefit coming from riders and bus operators.

Joty Dhaliwal, PTA-EBDSA, wondered if the use of KPIs the best measure for analyzing of public safety. Dhaliwal commented that other research should find ways for rider-operator input on problems within the bus system. Dhaliwal also expressed thoughts about the limitations of call response associated with the Sheriff's transit unit and suggested that any Sheriff who is nearby be made to respond as necessary.

Matthew, PTA-EBDSA, expressed support of the previous speakers' comments and noted that Sheriff's deputies have not been seen on the bus.

Board Discussion:

Director Shaw asked for clarification of key performance indicators (KPIs) for the Sheriff's contract as she believed the Board had already identified the KPIs and was surprised to see that the KPIs were still being developed. Director Shaw wanted to know if the data set encompassed a whole year. Mr. Calhoun clarified that staff is collecting the data from both Alameda and Contra Costa counties for comparison analysis and will have the results available. Mr. Llamas added that, in terms of data collection, the staff is improving the process by integrating the counties' system with the District's to replace manual data entry into spreadsheets. Mr. Llamas further clarified that the counties have been reporting activities to the District monthly and that data is available.

Director Shaw believed that there should be a future Board discussion to focus on KPIs of the Sheriff contracts. Director Shaw wanted to better understand what is expected from the Deputies, such as why the expectation to handle AC Transit-related items is at 95% and not at 100%.

Director Shaw was pleased to see that the District continues to recognize its outstanding employees and continued with questions related to operational statistics, mainly the percentage of service operated, operator unscheduled unavailability, and the log-on rate. In response to a question that almost one in every four bus operators calls in sick regularly, Mr. Calhoun clarified that to be true, adding that recent new laws allow bus operators to take 80 hours of sick leave or use it to care for their family members. To Director Shaw, it seemed that the unscheduled unavailability affected bus operators more than it affected the maintenance personnel. Mr. Calhoun explained

that, compared to maintenance, operators are a larger group of employees and are subject to different collective bargaining provisions. He further added that all efforts are focused on ensuring a safe work environment for those who report to work. Director Shaw thought it was important to communicate with the operators and the union representatives about the unavailability issues and work together to ensure reliable service.

Director Shaw asked if any costs were associated with deploying operators from one division to fill in at another division, such as overtime or mileage. Mr. Calhoun clarified that there is a cost of the travel time from one division to another.

Director Young asked about the sustainability of on-time performance and what contributed to the increase. Mr. Calhoun explained that while the Tempo service performed well, lower ridership during the pandemic months sped up boarding and improved on-time performance, which may change when the ridership goes up.

Director Walsh was interested in having a separate discussion of the KPI's associated with the Sheriff's contract in the future to ensure the KPIs were meaningful in tracking the Sheriffs' contacts. Director Walsh asked about the number of citations for bus zone traffic violations, specifically about the Sheriff's role in issuing citations, given that the AC Transit buses are equipped with forward-facing cameras. General Manager Hursh explained that only the Tempo buses were equipped with forward-facing cameras and that the citations in the report refer to violations when delivery trucks or transportation network companies are parked in bus stops. Director Walsh further commented on the high rate of unscheduled operator unavailability and wanted to see that discussion on a future agenda.

Director Beckles asked specific questions related to the time it takes Sheriffs to respond to calls and wanted to know if qualitative data is collected, specifically, what has been the feedback from bus operators on the quality of Sheriffs service. Mr. Calhoun advised that feedback from the operators is captured through discussions with operators, labor unions and the Road Supervisors. Director Beckles suggested that anonymous feedback from the operators would be valuable.

MOTION: SHAW/PEEPLES to receive the Quarterly Operations Performance Report for AC Transit Fixed Route Services during the Fourth Quarter (Q4) of Fiscal Year 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 7.E.** Consider receiving a Return to Office Update presentation on the District's plan to return office staff under a hybrid telework schedule.
[Requested by President Ortiz - 7/14/21]

[21-381](#)

Labor and Employee Relations Manager Nathaniel Kramer presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

There were no comments offered.

Board Discussion:

Director Williams was pleased to hear that staff is working on work-from-home regulations and asked about staff's feedback on working from home, particularly their workspace needs, such as computer monitors, chairs and desks. Director Williams also inquired about what other transit agencies are doing to accommodate their workforce. Mr. Kramer advised that an employee survey was conducted in May and focused some questions on capturing the technological and stationery needs. Mr. Kramer clarified that a six-month pilot administrative regulation is in development to outline how to distribute the available resources and support the work-from-home option. Mr. Kramer added that other transit agencies are implementing similar regulations for work-from-home possibilities that may be temporary during the pandemic.

MOTION: ORTIZ/WILLIAMS to receive a Return to Office Update presentation on the District's plan to return office staff under a hybrid telework schedule. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

Board Administrative Matters - President Ortiz

- 7.F.** Consider adoption of Resolution No. 21-022 re-appointing Igor Tregub and appointing two new members to a three-year term on the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Parcel Tax Fiscal Oversight Committee commencing on September 1, 2021. [21-320](#)

There was no presentation of the staff report. Assistant District Secretary Jelena Harada was available to address questions.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Board Discussion:

Directors Peeples, Shaw and President Ortiz commented favorably on the quality of the applications being recommended for appointment to the Committee (Stewart Chen and Henry Levy). President Ortiz also thanked Igor Tregub for his continued service on the Committee.

MOTION: YOUNG/ORTIZ to adopt of Resolution No. 21-022 re-appointing Igor Tregub and appointing Stewart Chen and Henry Levy to a three-year term on the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Parcel Tax Fiscal Oversight Committee commencing on September 1, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 7.G.** Consider approving the draft agenda for the Board of Directors/Board Officers Retreat scheduled for September 29, 2021. [21-365](#)

District Secretary Linda Nemeroff presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Board Discussion:

There was no discussion.

MOTION: YOUNG/WILLIAMS to approve the draft agenda for the Board of Directors/ Board Officers Retreat scheduled for September 29, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

- 7.H.** Consider approving the draft agenda for the Joint meeting of the Board of Directors and Retirement Board scheduled for October 6, 2021.

[21-393](#)

District Secretary Linda Nemeroff presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Board Discussion:

There was no discussion.

MOTION: SHAW/PEEPLS to approve the draft agenda for the Joint meeting of the Board of Directors and Retirement Board scheduled for October 6, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ortiz, Young, Walsh, Beckles, Williams, Shaw, Peeples

8. AGENDA PLANNING

- 8.A.** Review of the Agenda Planning Pending List.

[21-018n](#)

Director Peeples requested a regulation to change not only audit firms but audit partners every five years, including the General Counsel's opinion on the proposed regulation. (Beckles concurred)

Director Shaw requested an update on the MTC's Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force action plan, including the 27 recommendations.

Director Shaw requested a report on the cost of service and how much the cost has increased over the last seven years and what were the revenues and platform hours, for Divisions 1 and 2. Vice President Young added a request for a graph showing the amount of cost versus the revenue hours. (Peeples concurred)

Director Beckles requested a resolution in support of Oakland Pride on September 11th. (Young concurred)

Director Walsh requested an informational report about the enforcement of bus lane and bus stop regulations and how the violations are handled. (Shaw concurred)

Director Walsh made a statement in support of the travel ban to states that discriminate against LGBTQ individuals. Director Walsh further requested cooperation with other transit agencies to send a letter to the American Transportation Association, Florida Convention Bureau, and Florida Governor's Office, voicing a protest of participation in events that are in the discriminatory states. (Beckles concurred)

9. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

9.A. General Manager's Report for August 11, 2021.

[21-020n](#)

The report was presented for information only.

10. BOARD/STAFF COMMENTS

(Government Code Section 54954.2)

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

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for September 8, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Linda A. Nemeroff
District Secretary