

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARIN COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2006, AT 9:08 A.M.

Roll Call

Present: Director Albritton (Alternate); Director Brown; Director Kinsey; Director Adams
Absent: Director McGlashan; Director Murray; Director Heller; Director Swanson

1a. OPEN TIME

Fairfax Bus Service

Two members of the public expressed concern regarding reductions in late night bus service in Fairfax.

(Supervisor Murray present at 9:17 a.m.)

Paratransit Service

A member of the public expressed concern regarding the lack of paratransit services in Tam Valley and the lack of late night bus service from San Francisco to Marin County.

(Supervisor McGlashan present at 9:22 a.m.)

Transit Service Reductions

A member of the public expressed concern regarding the reduction in late night bus service throughout Marin County and changes to the schedule on Route #29.

Routes #22 and #70

A member of the public expressed concern regarding changes to the schedules for Routes #22 and #70.

1b. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF AUGUST 22, 2006

M/s Director McGlashan - Director Murray to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 22, 2006.

Vote: Motion carried 6-0.

AYES: Director McGlashan; Director Albritton (Alternate); Director Brown; Director Kinsey; Director Murray; Director Adams

ABSENT: Director Heller; Director Swanson

1c. BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MATTERS

Directors commented on calls they have received regarding reductions in evening bus service, spoke about the challenges of undertaking responsibility for local transit service on a limited budget, encouraged transit riders to communicate their concerns to staff, and urged staff to adopt a process to respond to the public.

1d. TRANSIT PLANNING MANAGER'S ORAL REPORT

Service Adjustments

Public Works Director Farhad Mansourian advised that staff has been working with the Golden Gate Bridge and Highway Transit District ("GGBHTD") on the issue of countywide service

adjustments. Mr. Mansourian noted that staff is also reviewing options to provide solutions to local issues within current budget constraints, such as the reduction in evening buses and paratransit services within non-mandated areas.

Transit Planning Manager Amy Van Doren reported that staff has been logging and responding to all comments from the public regarding local transit service and noted that staff has ideas and suggestions for improvements which they will bring to the Board for review.

Taxi Service

Ms. Van Doren updated the Board on the status of the Request for Proposals ("RFP") for taxi service, noting that responses are due by October 17, 2006. Ms. Van Doren advised that there is an accessible taxi in the County. Ms. Van Doren added that Whistlestop is about to enter into an agreement with a taxi operator, with funds from the MCTD for additional vehicle insurance, which will improve their scheduling flexibility and will reduce the denial rate in non-mandated areas of the County.

Contest

Ms. Van Doren advised that a commercial to announce the "Name Your Transit District" contest will be aired on cable television beginning on October 2, 2006, to run for four weeks. Ms. Van Doren noted that staff will bring the finalists' entries to the Board on November 14, 2006.

Comment Cards

Board members and a member of the public spoke about comment cards and other methods for the public to communicate their suggestions and concerns to the MCTD. Ms. Van Doren noted that the public can also go to the District's website at www.marintransit.org to submit comments.

1e. AUTHORIZE TRANSIT PLANNING MANAGER TO EXECUTE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT REGARDING TRANSIT DISTRICT USE OF THE SAN RAFAEL TRANSIT CENTER

By letter dated September 26, 2006, Transit Planning Manager Amy Van Doren submitted her report and recommendations regarding the above-captioned matter.

M/s Director Kinsey - Director Murray to authorize Transit Planning Manager to execute the license agreement with the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District ("GGBHTD") regarding Marin County Transit District ("MCTD") use of the San Rafael Transit Center.

In response to a question from Director Kinsey, Ms. Van Doren advised that the proposed license agreement has been reviewed and approved by Counsel for the MCTD.

(Supervisor Brown absent at 9:43 a.m.)

In response to questions from Director Albritton, Ms. Van Doren advised that the GGBHTD owns the San Rafael Transit Center property and noted that the License Agreement does not preclude the MCTD from contracting with other carriers for services that utilize the Transit Center.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0.

AYES: Director McGlashan; Director Albritton (Alternate); Director Kinsey; Director Murray;
Director Adams

ABSENT: Director Brown; Director Heller; Director Swanson

1f. PRESENTATION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRANSLINK AUTOMATED FARE COLLECTION SYSTEM

By letter dated September 26, 2006, Transit Planning Manager Amy Van Doren submitted her report and recommendations regarding the above-captioned matter.

Director of Planning for the GGBHTD Alan Zahradnik presented a brief overview and timeline for the TransLink system.

(Supervisor Brown present at 10:53 a.m.)

Mr. Zahradnik answered questions from Board members regarding transfers within an agency and between agencies, the ability to integrate TransLink into local shuttle service, and whether the data collected by TransLink can be used for transit service planning.

(Supervisor Kinsey absent at 10:04 a.m.)

M/s Director Murray - Director McGlashan to accept report on the Implementation of the TransLink Automated Fare collection System.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0.

AYES: Director McGlashan; Director Albritton (Alternate); Director Brown; Director Murray;
Director Adams

ABSENT: Director Kinsey; Director Heller; Director Swanson

The Marin County Transit District Board of Directors adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

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