

**SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT  
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**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA  
BART ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE**

**July 24, 2014**

**A Meeting of the BART Accessibility Task Force (BATF) will be held on Thursday, July 24, 2014 at 2:00 – 4:30 p.m. The Meeting will be held in Room 171, Joseph P. Bort Metro Center, 101 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland, California. The facility is served by public transportation at the Lake Merritt BART Station and multiple AC Transit routes.**

**AGENDA**

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| <b>1. Self- Introduction of Members, Staff and Guests<br/>BATF Roll Call and Introduction of Individuals Present</b>                 | <b>5 Minutes</b>  |
| <b>2. Public Comments (<i>Information</i>)<br/>Opportunity to Comment on Items Not on the Agenda<br/>(2 Minutes Per Speaker)</b>     | <b>10 Minutes</b> |
| <b>3. Approval of Minutes of June 26, 2014 Meeting (<i>Action</i>)</b>   | <b>5 Minutes</b>  |
| <b>4. Montgomery/Embarcadero Capacity Plan (<i>Information/Action</i>)<br/>Staff to Present Stations' Capacity Plan for Comments</b> | <b>20 Minutes</b> |
| <b>5. Oakland Airport Connector Update (<i>Information/Action</i>)<br/>Staff to Present Project Update for Comments</b>              | <b>20 Minutes</b> |
| <b>6. Powell Station Proposed Improvements (<i>Information/Action</i>)<br/>Members to Suggest Improvement Priorities</b>             | <b>20 Minutes</b> |
| <b>7. Project Status Reports (<i>Information/Action</i>)<br/>Fleet of the Future<br/>Stair Tread Color Contrast</b>                  | <b>20 Minutes</b> |

MacArthur Garage  
eBART  
Richmond Intermodal  
Warm Spring Station  
Berryessa/Milpitas Stations  
Phase 2- South Bay Extension  
El Cerrito Del Norte improvement

Oakland Airport Connector  
Union City Station Remodel  
20th Street Entrance Canopy  
Concord Station Upgrade  
Berkeley Station Upgrade  
Joint meeting with VTA CTA  
General Disability Awareness

- 8. Discuss BATF Election Process (*information/Action*)** **5 Minutes**  
**Members to Discuss Election Process**
- 9. Chairperson Announcements (*Information*)** **5 Minutes**
- 10. Staff Announcements (*Information*)** **5 Minutes**
- 11. Member Announcements (*Information*)** **5 Minutes**
- 12. Future Agenda Topics (*Information*)** **5 Minutes**  
**Members to Suggest Topics**  
**Next Meeting Thursday, August 28, 2014**  
**Holiday Schedule:**  
**Wednesday, November 12, 2014**  
**Wednesday, December 10, 2014**

### **13. Adjournment**

**Please refrain from wearing scented products (perfume, cologne, after-shave, etc.) to this meeting, as there may be people in attendance susceptible to environmental illnesses.**

**BART provides service/accommodations upon request to persons with disabilities and individuals who are limited English proficient who wish to address Board matters. A request must be made within one and five days in advance of Board meetings, depending on the service requested. Please contact the Office of the District Secretary at (510) 464-6083 for information.**

## ATTACHMENT I

### Material Enclosed for this Meeting

- **Draft Minutes of 6/26/2014 Meeting**

### eBART Links

<http://www.stadlerrail.com/media/uploads/factsheets/GC AP1007e.pdf>

<http://www.gonctd.com/pdf fact sheets/Sprinter FactSheet.pdf>

### Future Agenda Topics

- **Detectable Path of Travel**
- **Accessible Capital Request List Update**
- **Station Announcements (emergency and non-emergency)**
- **Capital Improvement Program**
- **Elevators; also cone clutter, odor**
- **Best Practice Standards for Construction**
- **Signage Update**
- **Alternative travel options while elevators are out of service**
- **Policies regarding using discount tickets versus Clipper cards**
- **Difficulty (especially among disabled community) boarding buses when a station is under construction; discussion of policies and procedures**
- **Editing BART app to include information of construction at stations**

# **SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA TRANSIT DISTRICT ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE**

## **Draft Minutes**

June 26, 2014

### **1. Self-Introductions of Members, Staff and Guests**

**Members present:** Janet Abelson; Randall Glock; Janice Armigo Brown; Peter Crockwell; Don Queen; Hale Zukas; Clarence Fischer; Gerry Newell; Herb Hastings; David Jackson; Alan Smith; Larry Bunn; Marina Villena; Megan O'Brien; Brandon Young; Roland Wong

**Members not present:** Katrina McCurdy

**Staff:** Ike Nnaji; Bob Franklin

**Directors, Speaker(s), Guest Staff, and Guests of the Public:** Director Robert Raburn; Director John McPartland; Director Rebecca Saltzman; Tim Chan; Sadie Graham; Alice Hewitt; Crystal Raine; Andre Charles; Elena Vanloo; Lisamaria Martinez; Chris Downey; Roger Acuna; Jerry Grace; Danielle Roundtree

### **2. Public Comments**

[No public comments.]

### **3. Approval of Minutes of May 22, 2014 Meeting**

No opposition to Clarence Fischer's motion to approve minutes of the May 22, 2014 meeting, (second by Gerry Newell). Motion carries with abstentions from Don Queen and Janet Abelson.

### **4. Powell Street Station**

After the presentation given by Tim Chan, people were allowed to clarify, ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

Tim Chan invited everyone to the Open House being held on Monday, June 30 at 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm, and Tuesday, July 1, at 7:00 am to 10:00 am. A survey will be held in order to get input on the preferred ceiling design. BART would like for people to share their thoughts on what improvements they would like to see at the station. This input will help to prioritize the improvements based on future funding opportunities.

## **5. 19<sup>th</sup> Street Station Conceptual Design**

Presentation on this item was given by Sadie Graham during the previous meeting in the month of May.

Members were allowed to clarify, ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

Alan Smith commented on the lighting, stating that it seems to be due for another cleaning by maintenance.

Sadie Graham stated that the online survey is being held until July 1, 2014. Members can also contact her directly with any comments and/or suggestions.

## **6. El Cerrito Del Norte and Plaza**

After the presentation given by Sadie Graham, members were allowed to clarify, ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

Clarence Fischer commented about the lack of seating at or around the kiss-and-ride, pick-up/drop-off zone.

Gerry Newell asked if a shelter could be built for the East Bay Paratransit stop.

Sadie Graham replied that a shelter is being built.

Brandon Young stated that it may be helpful reaching out to the Hatlen Center for the Blind, located in San Pablo, in order to gain more input from regular users of the El Cerrito stations.

Janet Abelson asked if the kiss-and-ride can be moved back to where it used to be located, where she feels it was easier to get to the station. She also asked if each station could have dual accessible fare gates.

Roland Wong stated that if at all possible, there should be two sets of elevators.

Elena Vanloo commented that bikers also share the use of the accessible fare gates and that everyone just has to be patient, herself included. She suggested that accessible fare gates be located in front of each elevator.

Bob Franklin commented that some stations do not have enough space for dual accessible fare gates.

He added that the request to remove the kiss-and-ride area came from BART Police as it was creating a backup with people parking illegally and loitering.

## **7. Fleet of the Future**

Survey results are now available on the BART website.

Members request a tour of the new cars.

## **8. Project Status Reports**

### Fleet of the Future

[See Item No. 7.]

### Stair Tread Color Contrast

[No update at this time.]

### MacArthur Garage

During the tour, Alan Smith reported that the construction supervisor had talked about the many errors BART staff had included in the plans and specs, which included two examples that were accessibility related.

He suggested that BATF members should start reviewing major project plans and specs prior to them going to bid, so as to ensure the items promised during BATF presentations are indeed included.

This will be discussed at a future meeting with Assistant General Manager Robert Powers.

Alan Smith further commented that he and Randall and others are continually educating senior project managers about disability issues. He said that it is almost as though project managers need a class on accessibility issues.

### eBART

Randall Glock and Alan Smith met with Project Manager Mark Dana and spoke about outstanding issues regarding stairway lighting and TTY phones. Mark agreed that this request is reasonable and agreed to fix these issues.

Alan Smith stated that although these are reasonable fixes, it should have been included to begin with.

#### Richmond Intermodal

Stair striping has been fixed and is now yellow instead of brown in color.

#### Warm Springs Station

Randall Glock and Alan Smith will tour the construction site on July 30.

#### Oakland Airport Connector

[Update presentation to be given at next BATF meeting.]

The OAC is scheduled to open before Thanksgiving.

Stair striping at the airport end is dark brown, not yellow. Although this is a BART error, it is something that cannot be changed at this point in time.

Members suggest that BART consider using the same method as they did with the Richmond Intermodal in order to fix the stair striping.

#### Joint Meeting with VTA CTA

Randall Glock is in contact with the VTA and is still working on scheduling a joint meeting.

No updates were given for the following projects:

- Berryessa/Milpitas Stations
- Phase 2 – South Bay Extension
- Union City Station Remodel
- 20<sup>th</sup> Street Entrance Canopy
- Concord Station Upgrade
- Berkeley Station Upgrade

### **9. Travel Reimbursement**

Submission of travel reimbursement is due on July 1, 2014.

Should members receive new Clipper or RTC cards, they are to provide their new card information to Randall Glock or Ike Nnaji.

### **10. Chairperson Announcements**

The November meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 12, 2014.

The December meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 10, 2014.

Randall Glock welcomed two of the BATF's newest members, Brandon Young and Roland Wong.

\*General Disability Awareness

Crystal Raine stated that the interest now is for the reference cards to be made a little bit smaller, with three panels as opposed to four.

\*Station Modernization Update

Curb cuts will be included in updated stations.

Curb cut at Walnut Creek station that has faded will be repainted red.

**11. Staff Announcements**

The National Council on Disability hosted a quarterly meeting in Berkeley, CA, from May 4 to May 6, wherein Ike Nnaji presented on transportation and was well-received.

He received many questions regarding the Fleet of the Future.

On May 17, Ike Nnaji presented on the Fleet of the Future at Tech Day, an event held by the Deaf Counseling, Advocacy & Referral Agency (DCARA). There was a video shown related to Fleet of the Future, which can be viewed by going to [www.dcara.org](http://www.dcara.org), and clicking on "Events," and "Archives of Vlogs."

The video is entitled "DCARA Interview with BART."

Earlier in the month of June, Ike Nnaji attended the National ADA Symposium in Denver, Colorado, where ADA coordinators from all over the country were able to network and gain insight in order to improve accessibility.

Ike Nnaji then reported that he has received numerous comments regarding the General Disabilities Awareness project (quick reference card for police) and hopes that it will be finalized soon.

Finally, Ike Nnaji reminded members that as stated in the bylaws, nominations and reelection of officers may be held in September.

Bob Franklin will be attending a workshop at the Ed Roberts Campus on June 27, 2014 at 3:30 pm. In this workshop, he will learn about cell phone accessibility features.



Elena Vanloo was introduced and was given an opportunity to share a little bit about herself. The members expressed interest in hearing a presentation from her regarding elevators.

## **12. Member Announcements**

Megan O'Brien announced that she is expecting and is due on Christmas Day.

## **13. Future Agenda Topics**

- Elevators (request for a presentation to be given by Elena Vanloo)
- ADA compliance work required by FTA (request for a presentation)
- Wayfinding and signage improvement (request for an update to be given by Tian Feng)

## **14. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting of **Thursday, July 24, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.**