



▶ BART seeks proposals that would give new life to retired train cars

BART is giving museums, nonprofits, agencies and the general public a chance to extend the lives of decommissioned train cars in creative and innovative ways. The full request for proposals and instructions on how to apply can be found at bart.gov/legacyfleet.

An iconic part of the Bay Area’s history, these retired rail cars have carried riders since the 1970s. Now, as more and more Fleet of the Future cars arrive, BART wants to ensure a responsible, sustainable future use for the rest of the old cars’ lives.

The majority of the old cars will be recycled. Parts are stripped, the shell is shredded, and

the metal is melted down for reuse in other products. But starting in January 2021, a call for proposals will offer some of the cars to the public. A project selection committee will review applications and make selections based on proposals meeting all the required criteria, including a plan for their final disposition after the project use is done.

One of the key criteria is that any projects be cost-neutral to BART and relieve BART of future liability. That means whoever’s projects are chosen must shoulder the costs of getting the train car from BART’s property to your own, including transportation fees (rental of flatbed truck and mileage), crane rental to offload the car, labor and other expenses, estimated to run \$8,000- \$10,000 per car.

January
2021

Call for proposals

April
2021

Review period

June
2021

Award notifications sent,
design plans to be submitted

April
2021

Submit all required documentation

February
2022

Delivery of car

Timeline



Other criteria include:



Image and heritage: Proposal must have a positive impact on BART's brand and must not bring reproach upon the District or other entities or persons.



Environment and sustainability: Proposal must have minimal impact on the environment, meet local ordinances, codes and required reviews and permitting and must include a plan for the final disposal of the vehicle.



Quality of concept: Proposal must be fully detailed with objectives and the target market/audience clearly identified; the project must be both feasible and achievable.



Guarantee of project delivery: Proposal must reflect the bidder's clear understanding of all parameters, solid framework for the project, as well as financial and technical ability to carry out the project.



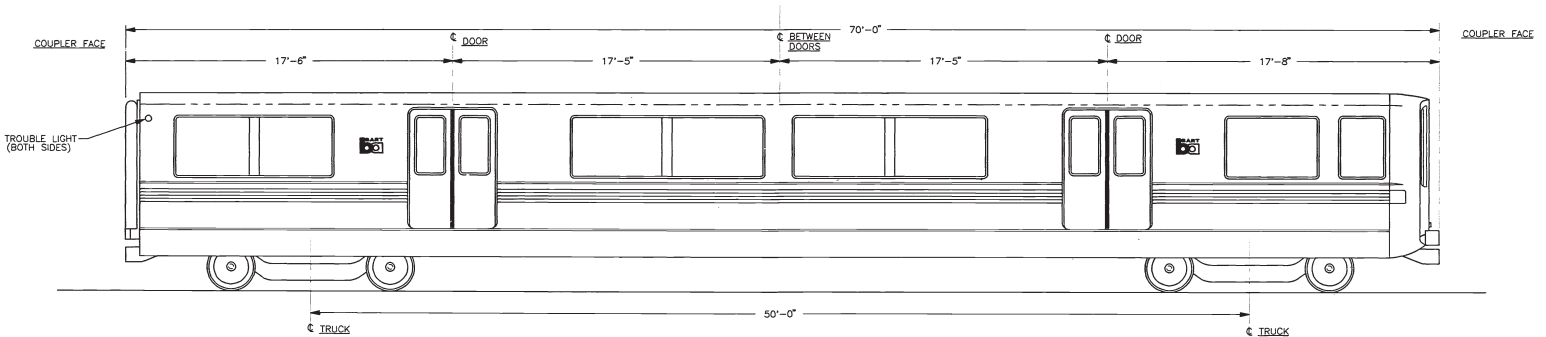
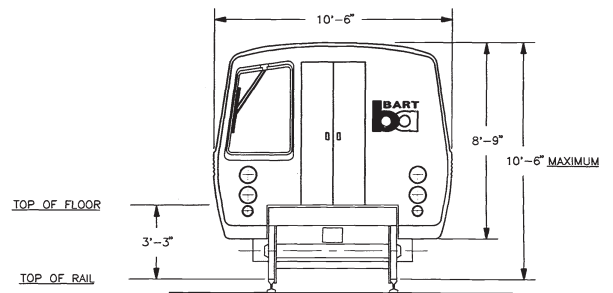
Timing and logistics: Proposal's time frame and deployment must take into consideration the availability of the decommissioned cars.



Ultimate Disposal: Proposal must include how the vehicles will be ultimately disposed of, upon end of life.



Community Benefits: Special consideration will be provided to proposals that include community benefits, and/or creativity of reuse, and/or alignment to the celebration of transit.



Car Measurements:

Car type	Shell weight	Max weight	Width	Length	Height
A2 Cab Car	19K lbs	61K lbs	10'6"	75'	10'6"
B2 Car	18K lbs	60K lbs	10'6"	70'	10'6"
C1 Car	14K lbs	63K lbs	10'6"	70'	10'6"
C2 Car	15K lbs	64K lbs	10'6"	70'	10'6"



Some initial expressions of interest that have been received include proposals to use old BART cars as museum exhibits, coffee shops and independent artworks.

For more information visit www.bart.gov/legacycars or email us at legacycars@bart.gov