NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA
BART ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE

October 22, 2015

A Meeting of the BART Accessibility Task Force (BATF) will be held on Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 2:00 – 4:30 p.m. The Meeting will be held in Room 171, Joseph P. Bort Metro Center, 101 8th Street, Oakland, California. The facility is served by public transportation at the Lake Merritt BART Station and multiple AC Transit routes.

AGENDA
1. Self-Introduction of Members, Staff and Guests  5 Minutes
   BATF Roll Call and Introduction of Individuals Present

2. Public Comments (Information)  5 Minutes
   Opportunity to Comment on Items Not on the Agenda
   (2 Minutes per Speaker)

3. Approval of Minutes of September 24, 2015 Meeting (Action)  5 Minutes

4. Fleet of the Future Update (Information/Action)  60 Minutes
   Staff to Present Test Plan Development for Comments

5. Bikes on BART Update (Information/Action)  20 Minutes
   Staff to Present Bike on BART for Comments

6. BART Access Policy (Information/Action)  20 Minutes
   Staff to Present Access Policy for Comments

7. BART Website Station Map (Information/Action)  10 Minutes
   Members Discussion
8. By-Laws Update (Information/Action) 10 Minutes
   Staff to Present Update for Comments

9. Capital Project Status Reports (Information/Action) 10 Minutes
   El Cerrito Del Norte  
   Oakland Airport Connector  
   Union City Station Remodel  
   Fleet of the Future  
   eBART  
   Warm Spring Station  
   Phase 2- San Jose Downtown  
   Civic Center Station Upgrade  
   Montgomery Station Upgrade  
   San Bruno Path of Travel  
   Track Maintenance  
   Station Hearing Loop  
   Entrance Canopies  
   Berkeley Station Upgrade  
   Stair Tread Color Contrast  
   Richmond Intermodal Project  
   Berryessa/Milpitas Stations  
   Powell Street Station Upgrade  
   Embarcadero Station Upgrade  
   West Dublin Path of Travel  
   Concord Station Upgrade  
   Dublin/Pleasanton Project

10. Chairperson Announcements (Information) 5 Minutes

11. Staff Announcements (Information) 5 Minutes

12. Member Announcements (Information) 5 Minutes

13. Future Agenda Topics (Information/Action) 10 Minutes
   Members to Suggest Topics
   Holiday Schedule:
   Thursday, November 12, 2015 at 1750 Broadway, Oakland
   Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 300 Lakeside Dr, 15th Floor, Oakland

14. 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 9/24/15 Meeting

eBART Links

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
September 24, 2015

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, Alan Smith, Megan O’Brien, Brandon Young, Roland Wong, Linda Dratllell, Esperanza Diaz-Alvarez

   **Absent:** Marina Villena

   **BART Staff present:** Ike Nnaji, Bob Franklin

   **Directors, Speaker(s), Guest Staff, and Guests of the Public:**
   Director Robert Raburn, Elena Vanloo (BART), Robert Allen (Former Director), Tim Chan (BART Staff), Joe Lipkos (BART Staff), Jerry Grace, Ric Owen (ASL Interpreter), Anne Smith (ASL Interpreter), Janice Dispo (Stenographer)

2. **Public Comments**

   [No public comments.]

3. **Approval of Minutes of August 27, 2015 Meeting**

   No opposition to Randall Glock’s motion to approve the August 27, 2015 meeting minutes, with a second by Gerry Newell.

   Motion passes with abstentions from Don Queen and Larry Bunn.

4. **Nominations and Election**

   Alan Smith stated that he had made a mistake by holding nominations during the August BATF meeting as the by-laws require that it be held in September. Therefore, nominations were held once again, in compliance with the by-laws.

   Ike Nnaji then ran this portion of the meeting.

   **Candidates for Chairperson:**
Alan Smith – 7 votes
Randall Glock – 6 votes
Clarence Fischer – poll not taken

Candidates for Vice Chairperson:
Randall Glock – position declined
Herb Hastings – 4 votes
Clarence Fischer – 9 votes

The Chairperson for the next term will be Alan Smith, and the Vice Chairperson will be Clarence Fischer.

5. By-Laws Issues

A discussion was held regarding the addition of a third officer/liaison position to the BATF.

A vote was taken regarding whether or not members would like to have a third officer position. (10 votes for)

A vote was taken regarding the title of the third officer position.

Co-vice chairperson – 1 vote
Second vice chairperson – 9 votes
Alternate vice chairperson - 5 votes

Before the position of Second Vice Chairperson can be voted on, the by-laws must first be amended, and approved by the General Manager, on behalf of the Board.

Upon approval, the by-laws will be edited add a section for the Second Vice Chairperson, and it will read:

“The BATF shall elect from its membership a Second Vice Chairperson, who, in the absence or inability of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson to serve, shall have all the powers and perform the duties of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. The Second Vice Chairperson shall perform other duties from time to time, as may be requested.”

6. Powell & Montgomery Stations Canopy

After the update given by Tim Chan, members were allowed to ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.
Tim Chan suggested coordinating a site visit for the Balboa Park as the modernization project is commencing.  
(Travel reimbursement approved, per Ike Nnaji.)

7. **Wayfinding 16th & 24th/Mission Stations**

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

Alan Smith suggested that a site visit be arranged for members in wheelchairs.  
(Travel reimbursement approved, per Bob Franklin.)

8. **BATF/BBATF Letter**

No opposition to Clarence Fischer’s motion to adopt the letter as it is currently written, with a second by Gerry Newell.

Motion passes with abstentions from Larry Bunn and Randall Glock.

9. **Proposed New Meeting Location Update**

The address of the proposed new meeting location is 1750 Broadway in Oakland, California.

10. **Capital Project Status Reports**

**eBART**

BART is in the process of hiring a general superintendent, who will oversee the entire eBART system.  
There will be TTY telephones.

**Fleet of the Future**  
Update presentation to be held during October meeting.

**No updates were given for the following projects:**

- El Cerrito Del Norte
- Oakland Airport Connector
- Union City Station Remodel
- Warm Springs Station
- Phase 2 – San Jose Downtown
11. **Chairperson Announcements**

The specially scheduled November meeting will be held on **Thursday, November 12th** (due to Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day holidays.)

BART Board meetings will no longer be held in the evenings on every fourth Thursday of the month. All future BART Board meetings are to be held at 9:00 a.m.

12. **Staff Announcements**

[No staff announcements.]

13. **Member Announcements**

Linda Drattell will be forwarding a picture of an ad taken from the State of Arizona depicting a sign regarding calling their courtesy phone from a smartphone. She then asked for an update regarding video relay service. Alan Smith clarified that TTY phones reach the requirement and that the video relay service is not an option at this time.

Janet Abelson asked members to share their thoughts regarding fare evasion on BART, and asked for suggestions to try to stop or deter it from happening. She will then bring this information back to the Transit Security Advisory Committee at BART.
Some of the suggestions included:
- Installing higher fencing around the entrance/exit gates
- More police presence, especially at or around elevators
- Bringing all elevators inside the paid area
- More station agents
- Installing sensors or chimes
- Barrier needed at South Hayward Station, Fremont platform

Director Raburn suggested that members request for data from the police reflecting the extent of fare evasion citations in different parts of the system.

Randall Glock requested that it be put on the agenda so that members may make this request officially.

Gerry Newell said that the Lions Center for the Blind has moved to 1722 Broadway in Oakland, California, and asked what he can do to inform all station agents regarding their move.
Director Raburn advised him to put together one-page announcement from the Lions Center to give to him, and he will then forward it along to the District Secretary as well as the General Manager.

Randall Glock shared that Customer Service wants to work with groups on taking new people to learn how to use the BART system.

Linda Drattell reminded members that her organization, BEADHH (Bay Epicenter of Advocacy for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing), along with four other organizations, will be holding a conference called “Enough is Enough, Collaboration for Change” wherein these organizations will be advocating for captioning.

This will be held on Friday, October 23, 2015, at the Ed Roberts Campus (Ashby BART) in Berkeley, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

She added that “VRI: Your Rights and Advocacy” will be held on Friday, November 6, 2015, at Deaf Community Center (San Leandro BART), from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

14. Future Agenda Topics

- Request for fare evasion data from police
- Request for update regarding Dublin/Pleasanton intermodal project
- Discussion of bikes on escalators, especially when rider loses control and bike swings at other patrons
- Discussion of or presentation regarding fare increase and new fee schedule
- Selective advanced notification to disabled community of service modifications
15. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Thursday, October 22, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., at 101 8th Street in Oakland, California.