

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

**June 25, 2015**

**A Meeting of the BART Accessibility Task Force (BATF) will be held on Thursday, June 25, 2015 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>5 Minutes</b>  |
| <b>3. Approval of Minutes of May 28, 2015 Meeting (<i>Action</i>)</b>  | <b>5 Minutes</b>  |
| <b>4. El Cerrito Del Norte &amp; Concord Upgrades (<i>Information/Action</i>)<br/>Staff to Present El Cerrito Del Norte &amp; Concord Stations Upgrades for<br/>Comments</b> | <b>20 Minutes</b> |
| <b>5. Elevator Announcements Accuracy (<i>Information/Action</i>)<br/>Staff to Respond to Issues Raised about Elevator Announcements</b>                                     | <b>15 Minutes</b> |
| <b>6. Train Operators' Announcements (<i>Information/Action</i>)<br/>Staff to Respond to Issues Raised about Train Operators'<br/>Announcements</b>                          | <b>15 Minutes</b> |

**7. 19<sup>th</sup> Street Station Project Update (*Information/Action*)** **15 Minutes**  
**Staff to Present Results of the Outreach Events for Comments**

**8. New Staff Introduction (*Information/Action*)** **10 Minutes**  
**Assistant Chief Maintenance & Engineering Officer, Facilities**  
**Maintenance**

**9. Capital Project Status Reports (*Information/Action*)** **20 Minutes**

<b>El Cerrito Del Norte</b>	<b>Station Hearing Loop</b>
<b>Oakland Airport Connector</b>	<b>Entrance Canopies</b>
<b>Union City Station Remodel</b>	<b>Berkeley Station Upgrade</b>
<b>Fleet of the Future</b>	<b>Stair Tread Color Contrast</b>
<b>eBART</b>	<b>Richmond Intermodal Project</b>
<b>Warm Spring Station</b>	<b>Berryessa/Milpitas Stations</b>
<b>Phase 2- San Jose Downtown</b>	<b>Powell Street Station Upgrade</b>
<b>Civic Center Station Upgrade</b>	<b>Embarcadero Station Upgrade</b>
<b>Montgomery Station Upgrade</b>	<b>West Dublin Path of Travel</b>
<b>San Bruno Path of Travel</b>	<b>Concord Station Upgrade</b>
<b>Track Maintenance</b>	

**10. Chairperson Announcements (*Information*)** **5 Minutes**

**11. Staff Announcements (*Information*)** **5 Minutes**

**12. Member Announcements (*Information*)** **5 Minutes**

**13. Future Agenda Topics (*Information*)** **5 Minutes**  
**Members to Suggest Topics**

**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 5/28/15 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**

May 28, 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, Marina Villena, Megan O'Brien, Brandon Young, Roland Wong, Linda Drattell

**Absent:** Larry Bunn

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

#### **Directors, Speaker(s), Guest Staff, and Guests of the Public:**

Director Robert Raburn, Pamela Herhold (BART), Elena Vanloo (BART), Esperanza Diaz-Alvarez, Jerry Grace, Aaron Brace (ASL Interpreter), Ric Owen (ASL Interpreter), Janice Dispo (Stenographer)

### **2. Public Comments**

[No public comments.]

### **3. Approval of Minutes of April 23, 2015 Meeting**

No opposition to Clarence Fischer's motion to approve the April 23, 2015 meeting minutes, with a second by Janet Abelson.

Motion passes unanimously.

### **4. FY 2016 Budget Overview**

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

Members had a number of concerns that they hope the budget will allow for.

Some of the concerns/requests are as follows:

- Request for earlier release of increased fare schedule to the disabled community
- Improved communication access, (e.g., ASL in canned announcements, hearing loops within station)
- Elevator and escalator improvement
- Allowance for more employees at eBART stations, if needed

Pamela Herhold will follow up with an answer to the BATF regarding how much of the budget is being allocated to elevators.

No opposition to Gerry Newell's motion for the BATF to support all aspects in the FY 2016 budget having to do with improving accessibility (especially escalators and elevators), and getting more cars on the tracks, with a second by Clarence Fischer.

Motion passes unanimously.

## **5. El Cerrito Del Norte & Concord Upgrades**

[No presentation at this time; staff not in attendance to present.]

## **6. Elevator/Train Operators' Announcements**

Bob Franklin had spoken with Fred Edwards of BART.

The comments Bob had received from Fred were that it is hard for train operators to be kept apprised of elevator status, which changes all the time. The operations control center is the preferred location from which these announcements go out. Elevator status notifications are also posted at stations, and are also available via text message and on BART's service advisory system.

Roland Wong commented that having Wi-Fi connection in the tunnels will be helpful in order to receive real-time elevator outage notifications.

## **7. Civic Center Station Modernization**

Tim Chan started off his presentation with a brief update regarding entrance canopies at the Downtown San Francisco stations.

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

No opposition to Marina Villena's motion to support the use of an accessible honor fare gate system near elevators, second by Herb Hastings.

Motion passes unanimously.

## **8. Capital Project Status Reports**

### Warm Springs Station

Randall Glock and Alan Smith will be touring the Warm Springs Station on June 15<sup>th</sup>

### Civic Center Station Upgrade

[See item 7]

### Web Design Update

Elena Vanloo gave members a quick presentation on the improvements that have been made to BART's website under "Accessible Services."

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

- El Cerrito Del Norte
- Oakland Airport Connector (OAC)
- Union City Station Remodel
- Fleet of the Future
- eBART
- 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

## **9. Chairperson Announcements**

BATF members have been invited to come to BART's headquarters located at 300 Lakeside Drive, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, in Oakland, on Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at 4:00 p.m., for Grace Crunican to thank them for their participation and service. Members will receive travel reimbursement for attending this event.

Alan Smith will be attending the next BART Bicycle Task Force meeting, where he will continue to work on a date for a joint meeting, as well as other issues and mutual concerns.

On May 2, 2015, Alan Smith attended an event where scholars and graduates were able to learn about accessibility issues.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) will turn twenty-five on July 26, 2015.

## **10. Staff Announcements**

Ike Nnaji reminded members to attend the ethics training, if they had not already done so, and to provide him with a copy of the certificate of completion.

Bob Franklin announced that the bus bridge between Coliseum and Fruitvale stations has been going really well.

It is expected to go on for two more weekends.

## **11. Member Announcements**

Megan O'Brien said that May is Prader-Willi Syndrome Awareness month. She encouraged members to make a donation to the Foundation for Prader-Willi Research as they believe they are very close to finding a cure. She is excited for the possibility of a cure for her son.

Herb Hastings shared that the Alameda County Developmental Disabilities Council is holding their 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Dinner Meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at Zio Fraedos restaurant in Pleasant Hill.

Roland Wong shared that the San Francisco Mayor's Office on Disability and Community Alliance for Disability Advocates is hosting an event called ADA25, in commemoration of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. This event will take place on July 1, 2015 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at San Francisco City Hall, North Light Court.

Linda Drattell suggested that the third rail be marked so as to indicate that it is, in fact, the third rail. She added that having directional signs or arrows will be helpful in the event someone falls onto the track and does not know where the safe area is.

Brandon Young shared a concern that the elevator at the Rockridge Station is often held by the station agent, and anyone needing to use the elevator has to first contact the station agent.

Ike Nnaji clarified that there are times when station agents hold elevators, mostly for security reasons.

**12. Future Agenda Topics**

[No suggestions at this time.]

**13. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting of **Thursday, June 25, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., at 101 8<sup>th</sup> Street in Oakland, California.**