NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA
BART ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE (BATF)

October 25, 2018

A meeting of BART Accessibility Task Force (BATF) will be held on Thursday, October 25, 2018 from 2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at East Bay Paratransit’s location at, 1750 Broadway, Oakland, California 94612 in the community room. The facility is served by public transportation. The nearest BART Station is the 19th Street Station and there are multiple AC Transit routes to the meeting site.

AGENDA

1. Self-introductions of members, staff, and guests. (Information/Action) 05 minutes
   BATF roll call and introductions of individuals present.

2. Public comments. (Information) 15 minutes
   Opportunity to comment on items not on the agendas.
   (Two minutes per speaker)

3. Approval of September 27, 2018 draft minutes. (Information/Action) 05 minutes

4. BART’s New Advertising Franchise Agreement & Digital Screens. (Information/Action) 30 minutes

5. Embarcadero Station Platform Elevator Capacity and Redundancy – Update. (Information/Action) 20 minutes

6. FY19 Draft Short-Range Transit Plan/Capital Improvement Program. (Information) 20 minutes

7. Member announcements. (Information/Action) 15 minutes

8. Staff announcements. (Information/Action) 15 minutes

9. Chairperson announcements. (Information/Action) 15 minutes
10. Future agenda topics-Members suggest topics. (Information/Action) 15 minutes

Next two (2) meetings scheduled:
Wednesday, November 14, 2018 and Wednesday, December 12, 2018 (BATF Holiday Reception @ 300 Lakeside Drive, 15th floor from 2:00 – 4:30pm)

11. Adjournment

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

BART provides services/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’s Office at 510-464-6083 for information.
Material attached for November 8, 2017 BATF meeting:

- September 27, 2018 draft minutes

Future Agenda Topics:

1. Detectable path of travel
2. Accessible Capital Request list update
3. Station announcements (emergency and non-emergency)
4. Announcements on board trains (not always clear or too load, or too low)
5. Elevators; odor concerns – Clean-up efforts
6. Cone clutter
7. Best practice standards for constructions/BATF travel obstacles mitigation – Checklist
8. Status, updates of signages
9. Alternative travel options while elevators are out of service/elevator mitigation plans
10. Policies regarding using discount tickets versus Clipper Cards
11. Editing BART app to include information of construction of at stations
12. Train safety presentation
13. Path of travel (yearly update)
14. Why there is not more signage at the Fremont Station for the hearing loop system; signage on the platform
15. Surcharge on the BART paper tickets
16. BART Watch app; more details of what it is and how it works
17. Sharp’s container in BART stations (for example: if diabetic and want to throw away the needle, what is the safest way at BART stations)
18. New paid area for elevators outside the paid area
19. Escalator modernization updates – San Francisco locations
20. Tour of Hayward maintenance facility
21. East Bay Paratransit Procedures
22. Annual report of accomplishments
23. Update, establish annual, strategic goals
24. BART Treasury vehicles using the disabled parking spaces
25. Field trip to BART train control – How the system works
26. Field trip to Milpitas/Berryessa – Two newest BART/VTA stations
27. Faregates – Updates – New faregates being put in some stations
28. East Bay Paratransit – How system works - Funding
29. How to report when things are not working in the BART system via BART.gov
30. Irvington Station – update
31. White emergency call boxes
1. Self-Introductions of Members, Staff and Guests

Members: Janet Abelson
Randall Glock
Janice Armigo Brown
Peter Crockwell – (ABSENT)
Don Queen
Hale Zukas
Clarence Fischer
Gerry Newell
Herb Hastings
Alan Smith
Larry Bunn
Roland Wong
Esperanza Diaz-Alvarez
Catherine Callahan
Valerie Buell
Chris Mullin
Christina Lasson – (ABSENT)
Mussie Gebre

BART Staff present: Bob Franklin, Elena Van Loo

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

Director Robert Raburn (BART Board of Directors)
Laura Timothy (BART Staff)
Greg Lombardi (BART Staff)
Tim Moore (BART Staff)
Sandy Stadtfeld (BART Staff)
Anjelica Dill-James (BART Staff)
Satinder Bhalla (BART Staff)
Angie West (BART Staff)
Chris Filippi (BART Staff)
Brian Yuen (CBS Station)
Ross MacDonald (Guest)
Janine Harrison (Guest)
2. Public Comments

Shaun Costello shared that he was assaulted on the street at a BART station.

Jerry Grace shared that he is happy to have ridden on the new car.

Larry Bunn was asked by a couple of visually impaired persons to shared that the automated announcements on the new car are nice and clear; however, the train operator announcements are not as clear.

3. Approval of August 23, 2018 Meeting Minutes

No opposition to Herb Hastings’ motion to approve the August 23, 2018 meeting minutes (with the safety resolution attached), with a second by Clarence Fischer. Motion passes unanimously.

4. East Bay Paratransit

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

A long discussion was held.

Some of the comments are as follows:

As a deaf/blind rider, Mussie Gebre stated that it would be useful to him if drivers were to identify themselves in some way, like with a tap on the shoulder.

Janine Harrison implores that Paratransit service do a more definitive intake evaluation so as to be more knowledgeable of their riders’ needs.
5. **BART Station Hardening**

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

A long discussion was held.

6. **BART Unified Mobile App**

After the presentation given by Tim Moore, Satinder Bhalla, and Anjelica Dill-James, members were allowed to ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

A long discussion was held.

7. **Yearly Nominations and Election of Officers: Chair, Vice-Chair, and 2\textsuperscript{nd} Vice Chair:**

Elena Van Loo ran this portion of the meeting.

**Candidates for Chairperson:**
Randall Glock – 16 votes

**Candidates for Vice Chairperson:**
Herb Hastings – 2 votes
Clarence Fischer – 4 votes
Roland Wong – 10 votes

**Candidates for Second Vice Chairperson:**
Herb Hastings – 2 votes
Clarence Fischer – 4 votes
Esperanza Diaz-Alvarez – 10 votes

The Chairperson for the next term will be Randall Glock, the Vice Chairperson will be Roland Wong, and the Second Vice Chairperson will be Esperanza Diaz-Alvarez.

8. **Member Announcements**

Valerie Buell reminded members about the Carlos Quintong Self-Advocacy Celebration event happening on October 19\textsuperscript{th} at the Ed Roberts Campus in Berkeley, from 6pm to 9pm.

Chris Mullins thanked Elena Van Loo for creating the 2019 BATF meeting calendar.
Clarence Fischer shared his experience with the most recent bus bridge. He stated the elevator was out of service at the West Oakland station and there wasn’t any elevator mitigation trips in place from 19th Street into San Francisco.

Catherine Callahan shared about her experiences with the downtown BART elevators. She stated that the attendants have instructions to never leave the elevator, therefore preventing two wheelchair users from riding the elevator at the same time. She suggested they have further training when encountering situations such as this.

She added that the attendants could use a reminder that wheelchair users sometimes need more space in elevators, and that they should move their stools to allow for that.

9. **Staff Announcements**

Elena Van Loo said that the conference room has been booked for all 2019 BATF meeting dates.

Randall Glock reminded everyone that the November and December meeting dates still have to be voted on and approved by members at the start of 2019.

10. **Chairperson Announcements**

Randall Glock shared a few informal updates with members.

He suggested forming a welcoming committee for the December holiday reception so as to better facilitate meet-and-greets between members and staff.

He reminded members that the specially scheduled November and December 2018 BATF meetings are on Wednesday, November 14th, and Wednesday, December 12th.

11. **Future Agenda Topics**

   ➢ Further discussion/update on East Bay Paratransit

12. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Thursday, October 25, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., at 1750 Broadway, Oakland, California.

(The meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.)