BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES

Special Meeting of the Board of Directors
AC Transit General Offices
2nd Floor Board Room
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Thursday, August 31, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ELSA ORTIZ, PRESIDENT (WARD 3)
JOE WALLACE, VICE PRESIDENT (WARD 1)
GREG HARPER (WARD 2)
MARK WILLIAMS (WARD 4)
JEFF DAVIS (WARD 5)
H. E. CHRISTIAN PEEPLES (AT-LARGE)
JOEL YOUNG (AT-LARGE)

BOARD OFFICERS
MICHAEL A. HURSH, GENERAL MANAGER
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LINDA A. NEMEROFF, DISTRICT SECRETARY

Teleconference
Director Greg Harper, Ward 2
1420 45th St. #27
Emeryville CA

Teleconference
Director Joel Young
1 Lakeside Drive, Apt. 413
Oakland, CA

Teleconference
Director Jeff Davis, Ward 5
36365 Shorehaven Place
Newark, CA
The Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Board of Directors held a Special meeting on Thursday, August 31, 2017.

Prior to the start of the meeting, General Counsel Denise Standridge confirmed that all requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Govt. Code Sections 54950, et seq.) and the provisions of Board Policy 100, Section 4.8 regarding teleconferenced meetings were met in order for Directors Harper, Davis, and Young to participate in the meeting and advised that all votes must be taken by roll call vote. [Affidavits verifying that the teleconference locations were accessible to persons with disabilities and that the agenda was posted at the teleconference locations are attached as Exhibit A.]

President Ortiz called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

1. **ROLL CALL**

   **Present:** Harper (arrived at 7:08 p.m.) Williams, Davis, Peeples, Young, Wallace, Ortiz
   **Absent:** None

2. **Discussion Item:**

2a. Provide direction to the District’s representative on the Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) regarding Regional Measure 3 funding.

   [The following documents are incorporated into the file by reference collectively as Report 17-275:

   - Attachment 1 – Revised Draft Expenditure Plan – July 12, 2017;
   - Attachment 2 – Letter from AC Transit to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) regarding Regional Measure 3 (RM 3);
   - Attachment 3 – ACTC Proposed Changes to RM3 Expenditure Plan;
   - Attachment 4 – ACTC RM 3 Candidate Projects;
   - Attachment 5 – MTC Bridge Toll Revenue Breakdown;
   - Attachment 6 – RM3 Equity Issue; and
   - RM 3 Funding for AC Transit]

President Ortiz introduced the item and provided background information on the Regional Measure 3 Expenditure Plan (SB 595 – Beall), reporting that when the original Expenditure Plan was released,
AC Transit was only to receive $50 million for bridge access improvements on San Pablo Avenue and MacArthur Boulevard. She argued that because bridge tolls were supposed to support congestion relief and because AC Transit was the solution to congestion on the Bay Bridge, it should receive its fair share of funding to expand transbay service.

President Ortiz also provided information on her efforts over the past several weeks to negotiate changes to the Expenditure Plan, advising that earlier in the day, she worked with MTC and the ACTC to craft a proposed amendment to the Expenditure Plan that would provide 1) $140 million to AC Transit for projects identified in the Core Capacity Study; 2) a total of $100 million in funding for Rapid Bus Improvements, and 3) funding for Regional Express Bus based on ridership (specific language of the amendment is outlined in document entitled “RM3 Funding for AC Transit”).

Given the seriousness of the issue and its impact on AC Transit, she requested that the Board provide her with the authority to cast a vote at the ACTC Committee meeting being held the next day to either support SB 595 if amended to include the additional funding for AC Transit or to oppose the bill if it is not amended. She further advised that the District would know for certain whether the amendments were accepted the following week.

Members of the Board thanked President Ortiz for her diligence in fighting to secure additional funding for the District.

Public Comment:
- Dan Jameyson, SEIU 1021, spoke on behalf of the coalition partners in the East Bay and thanked the Board for their work in achieving fairness for transit.
- Dave Campbell, Advocacy Director for Bike East Bay, addressed the Board saying that Bike East Bay had joined other groups in taking an oppose unless amended position on SB 595, but was in support of the amendments being proposed by President Ortiz.

MOTION: YOUNG/PEEPLES to authorize President Ortiz to cast a vote at the ACTC Committee meeting to support SB 595 if amended to include the additional funding for AC Transit and to oppose the bill if it is not amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES:7: Young, Peeples, Harper, Williams, Davis, Wallace, Ortiz

President Ortiz thanked Art Dao and Tess Lengyel of the ACTC for their constant efforts throughout negotiations. She also thanked Alameda Labor Council representatives Josie Camacho and Yvonne Williams for
their help in writing legislators in support of AC Transit. She also thanked former Senator Don Perata and Alameda County Supervisor Scott Haggerty for their leadership as well as Director Peeples, General Manager Hursh and staff in the External Affairs and Budget Departments for their support.

3. ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Nemeroff
District Secretary