Consider receiving the Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes of March 13, 2018.

There is no budgetary or fiscal impact associated with this report.

The Minutes for March 13, 2018 were approved by the Accessibility Advisory Committee on April 10, 2018. Major topics included Review of March Service Changes, and an Update on Regional Measure 3 (RM3).

The Accessibility Advisory Committee was established by the Board of Directors in 1991 to review, comment and advise the Board of Directors and District staff regarding the implementation and enhancement of planning programs and services for seniors and people with disabilities. The committee consists of 14 members with two members being appointed by each of the seven elected members of the District’s Board of Directors. Committee members serve a one-year term.

This report is being provided to inform the Board of the activities of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

This report does not recommend an action.

Staff Report 18-067 – Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes of February 13, 2018

1. AAC Minutes for March 13, 2018
Approved by:  Ramakrishna Pochiraju, Executive Director of Planning & Engineering
Reviewed by:  Robert del Rosario, Director of Service Development
             Mallory Nestor-Brush, Accessible Services Manager
             Kim Ridgeway, Accessible Services Specialist
Prepared by:  Tammy Kyllo, Administrative Coordinator
The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m.

1. Roll Call and Introduction of Members and Guests
AAC members present:
Janet Abelson
Mary Clutts
Maureen Gilhooly (1:18)
James Robson, Chair
Tanya Washington
Hale Zukas (1:13)

AAC members absent:
Pam Fadem (excused)
Jim Gonsalves (excused)
Saleem Shākir Gilmore (excused)

Staff:
Tammy Kyllo, Administrative Coordinator
Kim Ridgeway, Accessible Services Specialist
Mallory Nestor-Brush, Accessible Services Manager
Linda Nemeroff, District Secretary
Michael Eshleman, Service Planning Manager
Estee Sepulveda, Legislative Affairs & Community Relations
Claudia Burgos, Director of Legislative Affairs & Community Relations

Guests:
H. E. Christian Peeples, Board President
Chris Mullin

The Committee welcomed new member Maureen Gilhooly, who introduced herself and gave some background about her experience with public transportation, including being an instructor for children with special needs.

2. Order of Agenda
The order of agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes
MOTION: Cressey/Washington approved the February 13, 2018 AAC meeting minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:
AYES – 7: Cressey, Queen, Robson, Scott, Washington, Williams, Zukas
ABSTENTIONS –4: Abelson, Chew, Clutts, Gilhooly
ABSENT – 3: Fadem, Gilmore, Gonsalves
4. Completion of Conflict of Interest Form 700
Linda Nemeroff, District Secretary, provided assistance to Committee members in completing the Conflict of Interest 700 Form. Members who arrived late to the meeting were asked to complete their forms at the conclusion of the meeting.

5. Review of March Service Changes
Michael Eshleman, Service Planning Manager, reported the following as part of the March service changes to be implemented on March 18, 2018. The March sign-up is generally reserved for making minor adjustments to service based on feedback received after the August and December sign-ups. This sign-up has several small adjustments to running times and schedules to improve reliability. The following changes will take place in the March sign-up:

• Schedule changes to lines 29 and 72R.
• Line 12 northern terminal changed to Harrison and 5th with the final in-service stop at Gilman and 6th.
• Line 57 terminal will be temporarily moved to La Coste and 65th in Emeryville to accommodate construction activities at Emeryville Public Market.

6. Update on Regional Measure 3 (RM3)
Estee Sepulveda, Legislative Affairs & Community Relations gave an update on Regional Measure 3. Regional Measure 3 (RM3) is a measure on the June 5, 2018 ballot in the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area. The measure is a plan to build major roadway and public transit improvements via an increase in bridge tolls on all Bay Area toll bridges except the Golden Gate Bridge. RM3 was authorized by the State Legislature by Senate Bill 595 (authored by Senator Jim Beall of San Jose) and signed into law by Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. in 2017. The goal of RM3 is to reduce traffic congestion and improve transportation options throughout the San Francisco Bay Area’s state-owned toll bridge corridors. Measure will be administered by the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA).

AC Transit Funding
• Regional Express Bus
  $20 million in operating funds are available. Language in the project description for “Regional Express Service” specifies that these funds will be allocated in proportion to Transbay bus ridership.

• Core Capacity Transit Improvements
  $140 million will be distributed. Language in the project description for “Core Capacity Transit Improvements” states that funds are for AC Transit Tier 1 and Tier 2 projects, which includes new buses, a new bus facility, and other priority improvements required to expand Transbay service.

• AC Transit - Rapid Bus Improvements
  $100 million funding commitment for AC Transit - Rapid Bus Improvements to make transformative improvements for ridership levels and congestion relief.

RM3 proposes a toll increase of $1 in 2019, $1 in 2022 and $1 in 2025. Subject to voter approval of RM3, BATA would be allowed to adjust the RM3 portion of the tolls to account for inflation after the RM3 toll increase is fully phased in.
Voter approval would affect toll rates on the Bay Area’s seven state-owned toll bridges, which include the Antioch Bridge, the Benicia-Martinez Bridge, the Carquinez Bridge, the Dumbarton Bridge, the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge, the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge and the San Mateo-Hayward Bridge. Tolls on the Golden Gate Bridge would not be affected as it is owned and operated by an independent district not overseen by BATA.

Based on current traffic volumes, each dollar generates approximately $125 million in annual toll revenue. The RM3 Expenditure Plan identifies projects that would be funded if voters improve a toll increase of $3 over six years. The annual revenue would be used to finance a $4.5 billion slate of highway and transit capital improvements along with $60 million annually to provide new bus and ferry service in congested bridge corridors and improved regional connectivity at the future Transbay Terminal.

7. Chair’s Report
Robson reported that the City of Oakland Public Works department has been installing temporary bus islands on 24th and 27th and Telegraph Avenue. These boarding islands are platforms separated from the sidewalk by a bike lane and allow transit vehicles to remain in the travel lane while picking up and dropping off passengers. Robson encouraged Committee members to go experience these structures for themselves.

8. Board Liaison Report
H. E. Christian Peeples, AC Transit Board of Directors, reported on the following items:
- The Board approved the Transbay Fare Schedule effective July 1, 2018.
- UC Davis held a two day conference on 3 Revolutions: Electrocution, Automation and Shared Vehicles. The Board of Directors will discuss this more at a closed August 2018 Board Retreat and how it has an impact on fixed route transit.

9. Review of Lift/Ramp Road Call Report
The Committee reviewed the report for the period of February 4 – March 3, 2018. Of the 4 lift/ramp road calls; none were chargeable.

10. Service Review Advisory Committee (SRAC) Report
The SRAC Meeting was held March 6, 2018. The Committee reviewed and approved the FY 18/19 Measure B/BB Paratransit Plan and Funding Application. The Committee also approved Staff’s recommendations on East Bay Paratransit’s (EBP’s) current No-Show/Late Cancellation Policy. The next SRAC meeting will be held May 2, 2018 at 12:30 pm at EBP, 1750 Broadway, Oakland.

11. Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) PAPCO Report
None.

12. Public Comments
None.

13. Member Communications and Announcements
- Clutts requested demographics of AC Transit ridership.
- Chew stated that the Customer Service Center has not provided professional services to clients at the G.O.
- Chew also shared two community events sponsored by USOAC:
  - March 26, 2018 – Town Hall Meeting, Bus Stop Signs for Everyone – help your community raise awareness about AC Transit signage in Downtown Oakland and Chinatown
14. Staff Communications and Announcements
Priority Seating/Signage Sub Committee will meet on April 10, 2018 at 11:30 a.m., prior to the AAC meeting.

15. Set Next Agenda & Meeting Date
The next AAC Meeting will be held Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at the East Bay Paratransit Office, 1750 Broadway, Oakland, in the Community Room. Agenda items will include an Election of Chair/Vice Chair and Review of AAC Priorities.

16. Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.