

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA TRANSIT DISTRICT ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE

Draft Minutes

June 28, 2012

1. Self-Introductions of Members

Members present: Jan Armigo Brown; Larry Bun; Peter Crockwell; Mary Fowler; Randall Glock; Jim Gonsalves; Herb Hastings; David Jackson; Jane Lewis; Katrina McCurdy; Carmen Rivera-Hendrickson; Alan Smith; Don Queen; Roland Wong; Hale Zukas

Members not present: Janet Abelson; Linda Drattell; Gerry Newell

Guests of the Public: Courtney Hagge; Catherine Connor; Janice Hoang (Steno Captioner)

Staff: Ike Nnaji; Bob Franklin

Guest Speaker(s) and Guest Staff: Grace Crunican; Steve Beroldo; Robert Raburn; Gayle Murray

2. Public Comments

[No public comments.]

3. Approval of Minutes of May 24, 2012 Meeting

[Action on this item has been postponed to take place at the July meeting]

*The April 28th meeting minutes shall include the following paragraph:

“The agreements reached between staff and BATF about the construction to take place next year on the east side of the Richmond BART station: The two agreements were that there would be no landscaping along the ramp (so as to allow for complete visibility) and the stripes on each step would be yellow, vs. the dark color as originally planned.”

No opposition to Alan’s motion to postpone approval of minutes of the May 24, 2012 meeting till the July meeting, (second by Carmen). Motion carries unanimously.

4. General Manager Visit

Grace informed members about the Bikes on BART Pilot Program.

She will be talking to the board regarding members’ issues with not receiving their stipend.

5. Bikes on BART Pilot Program

This pilot program will allow bikes on BART, all day on Fridays in August. Grace is looking for volunteers to participate as observers to help in the evaluation of this program.

6. Ad-Hoc Committee Reports

Ike shared the legal department's concern with this item as they feel that although the committees have been named as ad-hoc committees, ad-hoc committees are not meant to be standing committees. Bob said he'd like to find out alternative options to present to the chair and vice chair.

Police Communication:

[No discussion on this item; ad-hoc committee members not present]

Stair Tread Policy:

Randall stated that a review of Ashby and 19th Street was held with Paul Oversier, Don Allen, and Bob Franklin.

The committee recommended for the next meeting to take place on Wednesday July 11, 2012, where other stations will be reviewed.

Oakland Airport Connector Project:

The group recommended that project staff meet with Hale regarding the elevators.

7. Chairperson Announcements

BATF will have a meeting in August. Randall continues to work with staff on a lot of issues. He also hopes to arrange for the December meeting to be similar as last year's December meeting, where there was a meet and greet with BART staff and directors.

8. Staff Announcements

Ike stated that staff for the Richmond garage project would like to attend the next meeting. They will provide members with drawings and schematics, hopefully ahead of the meeting, and are looking to get input from members.

In preparation for the garage opening in October, the Paratransit blue placard drop-off zone is going to be reconfigured during the next five-week construction period. It will now be located at a point closest to the station.

9. Member Announcements

Jane announced that the mobility fair and workshop is going to be held at the Ed Roberts Campus on Monday, July 16th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Peter shared that the SRAC East Bay Paratransit meeting will be on Tuesday, September 4th.

Alan mentioned two questions/concerns that have been posed to staff in the past that have not yet been addressed:

- How long trains should wait at transfer stations?
- Inadequate lighting at Montgomery station around the escalators.

Larry asked for more information regarding operators announcing stops as he feels this is not always happening. He also asked for information regarding the stipend for BATF members. Ike replied that as the newest members to BATF, Larry and Alan will receive their Clipper cards next quarter.

10. Future Agenda Topics

- Lighting in Downtown San Francisco stations
- Warm Springs project update
- Union City project update
- E BART update
- Balboa construction update

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Thursday, July 25, 2012 at 2:30 p.m.