

STAFF REPORT

DATE: December 12, 2022
TO: Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors
FROM: Tabetha Smith, Clerk to the Board
SUBJ: APPROVAL OF THE ACTION SUMMARY OF NOVEMBER 14,
2022

RECOMMENDATION

Motion to Approve.

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING
November 14, 2022**

ROLL CALL: Roll Call was taken at 5:31 p.m. via Zoom. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Harris, Howell, Nguyen, Schenirer, Serna, Valenzuela, and Chair Miller. Absent: Directors Jennings and Kennedy. Director Nottoli joined the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.1 Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of October 24, 2022
- 2.2 Resolution 2022-11-130: Conditionally Approving the Contract for Owner-Furnished Gate Crossing Mechanism Installation with Shane Brown Electric
(L. Ham)
- 2.3 Resolution 2022-11-131: Approving a Sole Source Procurement from Trapeze Software Group, Inc. and Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Approve and Execute the Second Amendment to the Software Maintenance Agreement - 2002 (S. Valenton)
- 2.4 Motion: Waive the First Reading of Ordinance 2022-12-001, Amending and Restating Title I, "Procurement Ordinance" of Sacramento Regional Transit District's Administrative Code (J. Adelman)
- 2.5 Resolution 2022-11-132: Delegating Authority the General Manager/CEO to Execute a Contract with Folsom Lake Ford for the Purchase of 16 Police Interceptor Utility Vehicles (C. Alba)

Director Howell moved; Director Budge seconded approval of the consent calendar as written. Motion was carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Directors Budge, Harris, Howell, Nguyen, Schenirer, Serna, Valenzuela and Chair Miller. Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: Director Jennings, Kennedy and Nottoli.

3. INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. PUBLIC HEARING

6. PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public comment was taken by phone from Jeffery Tardaguila and Glenn Mandelkern.

Mr. Tardaguila expressed concern regarding safety at the 5th and L SacRT bus stop. Three SacRT buses stop there and now Yolo buses are using the same intersection. He encourages attendance at the meeting taking place Thursday on Broadway Street.

Mr. Mandelkern commented on the upcoming California Transit Association Fall Conference. He was delighted to see that staff Jessica Gonzalez, Devra Selenis and CEO, Henry Li, would be attending and speaking on behalf of SacRT. He encouraged staff to attend the panel regarding best practices, recruitment and retention with Patrick Parents which addresses the operator shortage.

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- 8.1 General Manager's Report
 - a. Major Project Updates
 - b. SacRT Meeting Calendar

Mr. Li began his report sharing a photo of the participants in SacRT's new operator mentorship program, a collaboration with ATU and California Transit Works.

Mr. Li announced that two weeks ago, the opening of the Wexler Apartments at the heart of SacRT's University/65th Street Light Rail Station and Transit Center was celebrated. The apartment building is the first student housing Transit Oriented Development (TOD) in the Sacramento region. The University/65th Street Station is a major transit hub, with more than 40,000 light rail riders and 30,000 bus passenger trips at the station each month. Mr. Li thanked Congresswoman Matsui, and SacRT Directors Harris and Jennings for attending the opening and he also thanked all the various partners that helped make this transaction a reality.

At the beginning of November, Mr. Li joined Congressman Bera as he traveled via light rail and SmaRT Ride to the grand opening of the Rancho Cordova Youth Center. SacRT is thankful for the Congressman who has currently secured nearly \$4 million in community funding to help renovate four of SacRT's light rail stations. Mr. Li said there were many community members there and it was one of the most inspirational events he has participated in. He thanked Director Budge for making it happen.

On October 29th, Sacramento's first-ever Golden Harvest Parade and Festival was held downtown and in Old Sacramento. The event combined cultures from all over the world in a vibrant mix of music, dance, and food. Mr. Li was honored to join this great event along with Director Valenzuela.

Mr. Li announced SacRT was proud to provide free rides system-wide on November 8th,

Election Day. Final results are not available, but it is likely that Measure A, the countywide transportation initiative, will be narrowly defeated. The measure would have significantly increased SacRT's local funding and remains an opportunity to move forward with a more ambitious plan in the coming years. Regardless of the result, there remains an urgent need to increase funding that will address climate, equity, and social justice goals for the community.

Mr. Li provided an update on the status of the safe parking program at Roseville Road. On October 28th, following the Sacramento City Council meeting earlier in the week, SacRT received a letter from the City notifying SacRT that they are canceling the lease agreement. This represents progress of the City's siting plan, as they seek more permanent housing solutions. While the site will ultimately not launch, Mr. Li thanked the entire Board, SacRT staff and the many partners for working together to address the regional issue of homelessness.

Mr. Li concluded his remarks reminding everyone that a SacRT annual holiday tradition is back. SacRT will be offering free rides on the SacRT Holiday bus beginning December 1, 2022, through January 2, 2023. The decorated 40-foot bus will travel on various routes throughout the region and the schedule can be found on the SacRT website. This year's donations will benefit the Front Street Animal Shelter in Sacramento. SacRT will be hosting a kick-off event at Front Street Animal Shelter later this month and Mr. Li is hoping to see everyone at the event.

Director Budge thanked Mr. Li for providing rides for those who wanted to vote and for the idea of taking Smart Ride to the new Youth Center. Director Budge thanked Congressman Bera for a donation of \$350,000 to the youth center. Director Budge stated this was a huge project that started off as a preschool thirty years ago and is now being returned to the children which seems fitting.

Director Serna thanked Mr. Li and SacRT staff Ms. Hinz and Mr. Flores for attending a recent community meeting that Director Valenzuela and Director Serna and respective city and county staff also attended. The purpose of the meeting was to have an open discussion with the community about the City and County efforts in addressing homelessness. Director Serna thinks having SacRT in the room really helped impress upon constituents that all the government agencies and partners have a role to play in helping to address homelessness.

Public comment was taken by phone from Glenn Mandelkern.

Mr. Mandelkern participated in a bus stop improvement plan project walkabout in the Meadowview area that was led by the people at Civic Thread and SacRT staff James Drake. It was a very informative hands-on session and he encourages others to attend in the future.

9. **REPORTS, IDEAS AND QUESTIONS FROM DIRECTORS, AND COMMUNICATIONS**
10. **CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (If Necessary)**
11. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**
12. **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 5:57 p.m.

Roll Call was taken via Zoom: PRESENT: Directors Budge, Harris, Howell, Nguyen, Nottoli, Schenirer, Serna, Valenzuela and Chair Miller. Absent: Directors Jennings and Kennedy.

13. **CLOSED SESSION**

13.1 Conference with Legal Counsel
Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9
Existing Litigation

- a. Maria Venegas v. SacRT
Case Number 34-2019-00268307

14. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

15. **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

There was no Closed Session Report.

16. **ADJOURN**

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

STEVE MILLER, Chair

A T T E S T:

HENRY LI, Secretary

By: _____
Tabetha Smith, Assistant Secretary