

## **STAFF REPORT**

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**DATE:** September 12, 2022  
**TO:** Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Tabetha Smith, Clerk to the Board  
**SUBJ:** APPROVAL OF THE ACTION SUMMARY OF AUGUST 22, 2022

### RECOMMENDATION

Motion to Approve.

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
BOARD MEETING  
August 22, 2022**

**ROLL CALL:** Roll Call was taken at 5:38 p.m. via Zoom. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Hume, Kennedy, Nottoli, Schenirer, Serna, Valenzuela, and Chair Miller. Absent: Directors Harris, Howell, and Jennings.

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.1 Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of August 8, 2022
- 2.2 Resolution 2022-08-093: Authorize the Board of Directors to Teleconference from August 22, 2022 through September 20, 2022, in Compliance with the Brown Act Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953 as Amended by Assembly Bill 361, During the COVID-19 Pandemic (O. Sanchez-Ochoa/T. Smith)
- 2.3 Resolution 2022-08-094: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Enter into a Connect Card Assignment Agreement (J. Adelman)
- 2.4 Resolution 2022-08-095: Approve the FY 23-27 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) (J. Adelman)
- 2.5 Resolution 2022-08-096: Approve Transfer of Project Funding Under the Roadway Repair and Accountability Act (SB1) State of Good Repair Between Already Approved Fiscal Year 2020 Projects (J. Adelman)

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

Mr. Tardaguila commented on Item 2.3 stating further needs should be assessed and an explanation offered if the connect card will be phased out or replaced.

Mr. Mandelkern commented on Item 2.3. He asked if there is a procedure that alerts the participating connect card agencies when the system goes down and if not, he suggested one be implemented.

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

### **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 Glenn Mandelkern and Jeffery Tardaguila.

Mr. Mandelkern asked whether there is a SacRT Policy for days with a temperature of 100 degrees and above that allows riders to board a bus in layover.

Chair Miller asked for staff to connect with Mr. Mandelkern to address his question.

Mr. Tardaguila is having trouble locating the calendar on the website and the information regarding the three-year O Street light rail station closure. He is concerned about lost revenue due to connect card issues and recommended a procedure be put in place for fixing long term issues. He stated that the stroller policy should be reviewed as there are not any signs regarding strollers at several stations and the 2200 series buses should be reviewed due to the push button not indicating that something is in the way.

## **8. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

- 8.1 General Manager's Report
  - a. Major Project Updates
  - b. SacRT Meeting Calendar
  - c. Fiscal Year 2022 Financial and Ridership Update
  - d. Strategic Plan Update

Mr. Li thanked SacRT team members for their hard work and dedication to the 2022 Federal Transit Authority (FTA) triennial review process. The final report indicated minor deficiencies in four areas, of which three have been cleared. He gave special acknowledgement to Jamie Adelman, Shelly Valenton, Coye Carter and Sarah Kerber for helping to lead the team.

Mr. Li provided an update on the Watt/I-80 Light Rail Station and elevator. Since installation, there has been failure of various components and SacRT is working with the contractor to open the new elevator. SacRT is operating a special bus service to transport customers from the western bus platform on Watt Avenue to the light rail station at Watt/I-80. Mr. Li stated that the Watt/I-80 station is a frequent target for graffiti and vandalism. The station is power-washed several times per week and a deep cleaning of the entire station just occurred. The station requires continuous attention to

maintain an acceptable level of cleanliness and SacRT has decided to have a dedicated security guard to monitor the situation daily and keep a closer watch of the station.

Mr. Li announced that SacRT has been awarded nearly \$900,000 from the Federal Transit Security Grant program to upgrade the video Security system which will help assist with improving station security.

Mr. Li stated SacRT has heard from riders about the condition of the Tri City Bridge leading into the Roseville Road Station and in advance of the safe parking operation launch, SacRT is partnering with the City to reinstall K-Rail along the bridge to prevent speeding and illegal dumping. He thanked the facilities team for ensuring the clean-up took place.

Mr. Li shared that at the beginning of the month, staff was contacted by a Rancho Cordova Councilmember regarding overgrown weeds at Bradshaw and Folsom Blvd. The site was looked at immediately and SacRT was able to prioritize the clean-up which was performed last week.

Mr. Li announced that SacRT has been added to the Board of Directors for Sacramento Works which provides resources and services to employers and job seekers in Sacramento County. Shelly Valenton will serve on the Board and help ensure that transit is part of their training and considerations for the future.

Last week, Mr. Li, Vice Chair Kennedy and SacRT staff participated in a daylong “Electrifying Transit Tour” visiting with peer transit agency, Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA). The tour focused on advancing zero emission transit in the Sacramento region and was developed in response to the work among four agencies, SacRT, Air Quality, SMUD and SACOG, which has led to the adoption of the Sacramento Area Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Deployment Strategy.

Mr. Li provided a California Legislature update as there are several transit related bills SacRT is tracking. The Governor is expected to sign this week SacRT’s sponsored legislation, AB2015 which provides clean up, restructuring language and provides for new efficiencies and it deletes obsolete provisions and increased the solicitation threshold for supplies from \$100,000 to \$125,000. He thanked Assemblymember Ken Cooley and Chair Miller for championing these changes on behalf of SacRT.

Mr. Li announced that last week the President signed into law the Inflation Reduction Act. The legislation was not focused on infrastructure funding but includes alternative fuel tax credits and significant new investments in climate, zero-emission technology, equity, and environmental initiatives.

Mr. Li met with Congressman Ami Bera at the Historic Folsom Light Rail Station who has requested nearly \$4 million in funding to support SacRT’s station modifications. The request has passed out of the House of Representatives, and it should be included in the final package later this year. Mr. Li shared a video from the visit.

Public comment was taken by phone from Jeffery Tardaguila and Helen O'Connell.

Mr. Tardaguila thanked Mr. Li for talking to Congressman Ami Bera and is happy that the measure is moving through Congress, he appreciates the detailed written General Manager report and would like to see when Closed Session litigation cases are closed.

Ms. O'Connell is thankful that the low floor vehicles are moving forward and the connectivity between different parts of the City is being addressed.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

- 7.1 Resolution 2022-08-097: Declaring the Damaged Electrical Service at 7<sup>th</sup> and Capitol an Emergency (L. Ham) [**Note: Resolution Requires 4/5<sup>th</sup> vote**]

*Motion was made by Director Budge to continue item 7.1 at the next Board meeting on September 12, 2022. Director Hume seconded the motion. Motion was carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Directors Budge, Hume, Kennedy, Nottoli, Schenirer, Valenzuela and Chair Miller. Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: Directors Harris, Howell, Jennings and Serna.*

## **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 6:13 p.m.

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

## **13. CLOSED SESSION**

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

- a. Javier Carrillo v. SacRT  
Case Number 34-2018-00225496

b. Lafayette Underwood v. SacRT  
Case Number 34-2019-00269152

**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 6:47 p.m.

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STEVE MILLER, Chair

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HENRY LI, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tabetha Smith, Assistant Secretary