

# STAFF REPORT

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**DATE:** September 23, 2024  
**TO:** Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Priscilla Vargas, ADA Compliance Officer  
**SUBJ:** MOBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY – AUGUST 15, 2024

## RECOMMENDATION

No Recommendation - For Information Only.

## SUMMARY

The following is a summary of the Mobility Advisory Council Meeting (MAC) Meeting held on August 15, 2024. Full Meeting Minutes and previous MAC Meeting Minutes can be found at [www.sacrt.com/sacramento-regional-transit-mobility-advisory-council/](http://www.sacrt.com/sacramento-regional-transit-mobility-advisory-council/)

### **Item 1. Call to Order**

### **Item 2. Introduction of Council Members and Staff**

### **Item 3. Approval of Minutes**

### **Item 4. Public Comment**

- Jeff Tardaguila stated the amount of bus cancellations have climbed from the week prior. He stated that 30-40 of them were addressed by 9 am. Fareboxes are not working at 29<sup>th</sup> St. Station or Sacramento Valley Station.
- Mr. Wilson asked if there are plans to extend service on weekends at Township 9 Light Rail Station. Mr. Drake responded that the Green Line stations will not be expanded due to budget constraints.

### **Item 5. Chair Report**

### **Item 6. Old Business**

- A. Public Education Communication Plan for S700 Trains and In Person Customer Service Support Efforts During Launch: Jessica Gonzalez, Director, Marketing and Public Communications reminded the MAC about the August 17, 2024, S700 Exclusive Tour event and September 3, 2024, S700 Launch Celebration. From September 3 to 8, 2024, SacRT staff will be helping those who are riding the trains.
- B. Downtown Riverfront Streetcar Light Rail Project: Anthony Adams, Director Planning discussed the project and stated it will begin at Sutter Health Park and end at Sacramento Valley Station. The project is currently in design at 85% completion and

is currently a \$50 million grant with construction to begin in 2027. A full-time project manager will be hired in early 2025 with design completion to occur in the same year. The operations costs are estimated at \$4 million and are still awaiting an agreement with West Sacramento. The asking prices from Small Starts is \$50 million Federal and \$11.5 million from State/Local funds.

- C. S700 LRV Update: Anthony DiCristofano, Assistant Vice President Operations, Vincent Beatty, Director Light Rail, Michael Cormiae, Director, Light Rail Maintenance: Mr. Cormiae provided the MAC with a bike policy update. The policy was amended, allowing bicyclist to sit in the priority seating area when not in use. Bicyclist will need to surrender the priority seating, if needed.

Anthony DiCristofano explained that as an incremental modification that can be performed relatively quickly, the exterior speaker for ramp deployment will be repositioned so that it can be heard on the exterior of the vehicle.

Mr. Ikwut-Ukwa explained that the long-term plan to demolish the mini-high platforms, but the short-term solution is to barricade them from use. The solution is to install a solid barrier which is less likely to be vandalized. The barricades will be in place for 1-2 months while the gate is being constructed. Mr. Johnson asked about the demolition time and Mr. Ikwut-Ukwa stated that funds are needed so it may take up to two years.

Mr. Thom asked if the barricade would have a sign in both print and braille. Mr. Ikwut-Ukwa responded stating it will. Mr. Lozano expressed concern over the braille sign material, which needs to be resistant to damage, and he also mentioned audible information devices are a requirement, not an option.

## **Item 7. New Business**

## **Item 8. Other Business**

- Mr. Lozano requested an update on the Watt/I-80 Transit Center project, before the end of the year.
- Ms. O'Connell, thought that SacRT GO was going to get a new contract for the drivers, is it possible to get an update on the progress. Mr. Mitchell stated that there are a handful of outstanding union items remaining which will be discussed in upcoming meetings with the union.

## **Item 9. Announcements/Council Members Request for Information**

- Mr. Mitchell introduced new Superintendent, Thomas Russell Jr. and Ms. Vargas acknowledged Austin Greiner since it was his last day in the department. He took a promotion in light rail. She also introduced Alan Figueroa-Camarena to the department.

## **Item 10. Adjournment**

- The next MAC meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2024, from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. and will be held at the Q Street Auditorium.