# MINUTES OF THE MAY 2, 2022 ZOOM TELECONFERENCE LAVTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

#### 1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Board Chair Karla Brown at 4:02pm.

Board Chair Karla Brown informed the public that LAVTA's meeting is being conducted according to the COVID-19 rules that are detailed at the beginning of the agenda explaining why this is a Zoom teleconference.

#### 2. Roll Call of Members

#### **Members Present**

David Haubert – County of Alameda Jean Josey – City of Dublin Melissa Hernandez – City of Dublin Karla Brown – City of Pleasanton Kathy Narum – City of Pleasanton Gina Bonanno – City of Livermore Brittni Kiick – City of Livermore

#### 3. Meeting Open to Public

No comments.

#### 4. Consent Agenda

Recommend approval of all items on Consent Agenda as follows:

- A. Minutes of the April 4, 2022 Board of Directors meeting.
- B. Treasurer's Report for March 2022

The Board of Directors approved the LAVTA Treasurer's Report for March 2022.

## C. Adoption of a Resolution Declaring that Agency Meetings Will Continue to Be Held Via Teleconference

The Board of Directors adopted Resolution 20-2022 declaring that LAVTA meetings will continue to be held via teleconference.

# D. Approval of Resolutions Authorizing Staff to Apply for TDA, STA, and RM2 funds for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

The Board of Directors approved Resolution 17-2022 and 18-2022, authorizing the filing of a claim with MTC for Allocation of TDA Article 4.0, 4.5, STA, and RM2 Funds for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

[David Haubert, from County of Alameda, had Zoom connection issues during Agenda

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Item 4a-4d.]

Approved: Josey/Kiick

Aye: Bonanno, Brown, Josey, Narum, Kiick, Hernandez

No: None Abstain: None Absent: Haubert

#### 5. LAVTA's Operating & Capital Budget for FY 2023

[David Haubert, from County of Alameda, rejoined the Zoom meeting during Agenda Item 5.]

Staff reported that the FY 2023 budget increased over 14% largely due to contractor labor costs, fuel cost, and a new paratransit contract. For FY 2023 LAVTA budgeted fuel costs at \$4.50 per gallon for buses and \$6.00 for non-revenue vehicles. For FY 2023 and FY 2024 LAVTA has some Federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) funds available that will assist with revenue.

Staff took questions and comments from the Board of Directors regarding Agenda Item 5.

The Board of Directors approved the Operating and Capital Budget for FY 2023. Resolution 16-2022.

Approved: Kiick/Narum

Aye: Bonanno, Brown, Josey, Narum, Kiick, Hernandez, Haubert

No: None Abstain: None Absent: None

#### 6. Request for a 3-month Pilot Extension of CCCTA/LAVTA Paratransit Programs

Staff reported that a joint Request for Proposal (RFP) with CCCTA was issued in January 2022 for ADA Paratransit Services. LAVTA planned to bring the contract award recommendation for the RFP to the Board of Directors meeting, but negotiations are still in progress with the selected vendor. LAVTA is hoping to have negotiation completed in the next few weeks and staff is requesting to extend the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Paratransit Pilot Program.

The Board of Directors approved Resolution 19-2022, authorizing the Interim Executive Director to extend the current MOU with CCCTA through June 30, 2022, after which the joint RFP process would conclude and a new contract would commence on July 1, 2022.

Approved: Haubert/Bonanno

Aye: Bonanno, Brown, Josey, Narum, Kiick, Hernandez, Haubert

No: None Abstain: None Absent: None

#### 7. Executive Director's Report

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Interim Executive Director Tamara Edwards reported that ridership has increased some and was impacted by Spring Break, since 50% of ridership are students. Interim Executive Director Tamara Edwards also highlighted the Rutan landscaping project, masks being optional for passengers, the Governor proposing 3-months of free transit, and the Dublin parking garage project.

Interim Executive Director Tamara Edwards took questions and comments from the Board of Directors regarding Agenda Item 7.

#### 8. Adjourn to CLOSED SESSION

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 4:39pm

- 9. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b): PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT Title: Executive Director
- 10. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

**Agency Representative: Michael Conneran, Legal Counsel** 

Unrepresented Employees: Interim Executive Director, Director of Planning and

Marketing

#### 11. Reconvene to OPEN SESSION

Meeting reconvened at 5:04pm.

# 12. Appointment of Interim Executive Director and Consideration of Modification to Terms of Employment with Interim Executive Director and Director of Planning and Marketing – ACTION

Legal Counsel Michael Conneran reported that the Board of Directors discussed the recruitment process for the new Executive Director and negotiations with staff regarding the interim filling of the roles. There are two actions: 1. The appointment of the Interim Executive Director, Tamara Edwards; 2. Adding a 7% salary increment to Tamara Edwards' deferred compensation plan and a 3% increment to Director of Planning and Marketing Tony McCaulay's salary or deferred compensation plan.

The Board of Directors approved appointing Tamara Edwards as Interim Executive Director. The Board of Directors also modified the terms of employment with a 7% salary increment to Tamara Edwards deferred compensation and a 3% increment to Director of Planning and Marketing Tony McCaulay's salary or deferred compensation.

Approved: Kiick/Narum

Aye: Bonanno, Brown, Josey, Narum, Kiick, Hernandez, Haubert

No: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Each Board member took the opportunity to provide their appreciation to Tamara Edwards and Tony McCaulay for taking on additional responsibilities.

## 13. Matters Initiated by the Board of Directors

None.

## 14. Next Meeting Date is Scheduled for: June 6, 2022

### 15. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:08pm.