

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 27, 2023
LAVTA PROJECTS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Committee Vice Chair Karla Brown called the meeting to order at 4:03pm.

2. Roll Call of Members

Members Present

Jean Josey, City of Dublin

David Haubert, Alameda County (arrived at 4:06pm)

Karla Brown, City of Pleasanton

Evan Branning, City of Livermore

3. Meeting Open to Public

No comments.

4. Minutes of the October 23, 2023 Meeting of the P&S Committee.

Approved: Branning/Josey

Aye: Josey, Brown, Branning

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Haubert

5. Zero Emissions Bus Transition Update

[David Haubert, Alameda County Supervisor, arrived during Zero Emissions Bus Transition Update.]

Vice Chair Karla Brown informed that AB2449 would be exercised for Chair David Haubert to attend remotely, and the Projects and Services Committee Members are required to vote on this matter.

Approved: Josey/Branning

Aye: Josey, Brown, Branning

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Haubert

Staff provided the Projects and Services Committee a brief update on the Zero Emission Bus transition that included background on the project and a discussion. Staff informed that the ICT Rollout plan calls for hydrogen, fuel cell technology to replace 100% of our diesel hybrid bus purchases beginning in Fiscal Year 25 (FY25). LAVTA would like to get all 12-hydrogen fuel cell technology buses in FY25, but if funding is not received LAVTA staff recommend proceeding with purchasing 4 and the other 8 buses will be diesel hybrid.

The Projects and Services Committee heard the item and provided feedback to staff. Committee Member Jean Josie inquired if there was a middle ground with 6 fuel cell and 6 diesel hybrid; Committee Member Evan Branning inquired what capacity our hydrogen fueling station will be able to accommodate. Chair David Haubert would like LAVTA to use mostly grant funding versus our own resources to pay for hydrogen buses and would like the buses procured locally if possible.

This was informational only.

6. Shared Autonomous Vehicle Project: Grant Update and Next Steps

Staff informed that there are two grants funding the SAV project: the MTC RM2 Grant and a MTC IDEA Grant. LAVTA requested to reprogram the MTC RM2 funding to another eligible project like Transit Signal Priority (TSP). Staff noted that Alameda CTC was in support of reprogramming the funds.

The item was discussed by Projects and Services Committee and staff. Chair David Haubert would like to develop metrics that show updating the TSP will assist with on-time performance or efficiency. Committee Member Jean Josey requested LAVTA to look at smaller buses for underserved neighborhoods or a downtown circulator.

The Projects and Services forwarded a recommendation to the Board to direct staff to pursue reprogramming SAV Phase 2 RM2 funding to another eligible project, contingent on concurrence of corresponding funding agencies.

Approved: Haubert/Josey
Aye: Josey, Brown, Branning, Haubert
No: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

7. Preview of Upcoming P&S Committee Agenda Items

8. Matters Initiated by Committee Members

None.

9. Next Meeting Date is Scheduled for: December 25, 2023

Staff noted that the December meeting will be cancelled.

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:53pm