



# CITY OF OAKLAND

Mayor's Commission on Aging (CoA) and  
Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)  
Joint Access Compliance Advisory Committee, (ACAC)

**September 17, 2014**

## **Joint East Bay Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project Access and Functional Needs (AFN) Subcommittee With the AC Transit Accessibility Advisory Committee**

### **MINUTES**

- I. Call to Order at 10:00 a.m.
- II. Roll Call
  - Quorum: Yes
  - See Exhibit 1A
- III. Public Comments
  - None
- IV. Commissioner's Announcements
  - Commissioner Blanks announced that California Telephone Access, CTA Group will be making a presentation at the Lions Centers for the Blind, 2115 Broadway, on Friday, September 26, 2014 starting at 10:00 a.m. The CTA provides multiple levels of telephone for persons with visual and hearing disabilities.
- V. Approval of Minutes
  - July 2014
  - Motion/Second: Commissioner Wright/Commissioner Blanks
  - Motion approved by consensus
- VI. Agenda Modification and Approval
  - September 17, 2014
  - Agenda approved by consensus
- VII. Chair Report, *Scott Blanks*
  - None

## VIII. Staff Reports

### A. Telegraph Avenue Complete Streets Update, Jamie Parks, Complete Streets Manager, Transportation Services Division, TSD reported:

- This project has been in the works for many months. The report contains preliminary recommendations that are based upon analysis, street studies and complete street usage cumulated from similar projects nationwide.
- TSD has had well attended open-house meetings where residents have commented and made numerous recommendations. TSD is closely examining all comments/recommendations for incorporation into the final project report.
- The ACAC, members of the public and Mr. Parks had an energetic discussion. The preliminary report is in the ACAC September 17, 2014 packet, pages 13-35.
- The final project report is scheduled to go to City Council at the end of 2014.
- The complete project report is available at the City of Oakland's website, [www.oaklandnet.com/TelegraphAvenue](http://www.oaklandnet.com/TelegraphAvenue). To make comments and/or recommendations please contact Jamie Parks, Complete Streets Program Manager, (510) 238-6613, [jparks@oaklandnet.com](mailto:jparks@oaklandnet.com).

### B. Oakland Paratransit for the Elderly and Disabled Biannual Report, Hakeim McGee, Supervisor Senior Services reported.

- July 31, 2014 OPED was part of the Office of Emergency Services, OES Paratransit Roundtable that discussed the availability of Paratransit Services during a mass emergency and/or disaster. All contracted-service providers (taxi/vans) signed a Letter of Intent, which states that in the event of a mass emergency/disaster contracted-service providers will make vehicles available to assist with Paratransit users.
- The November 4, 2014 ballot has a bill to extend Measure B. If passed an 8% funding increase will be possible for OPED.
- Discussion followed.

IX. Old Business

A. Update on BART Elevator maintenance

- This matter is being worked on.

X. Special Order of Business: East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project and Access and Functional Needs Subcommittee was convened at 11:05 a.m.

A. Old Business:

- BRT Update, review of minutes from June 10, 2014, EBBRT/AFN meeting, Commissioner Blanks reported that at the last BRT meeting, there was a presentation on the proposed ticket vending machines, TVM. He referred to the minutes in the September 17, 2014 ACAC packet.

B. New Business:

- East Bay BRT – Planned Local Bus Service Modifications, Sean DiestLorgion, AC Transit Senior Transportation Planner, Robert Del Rosario, AC Transit Director of Service Development and Planning, Mitra Moheb, AC Transit Senior Project Manager-BRT. Mr. DiestLorgion reported on the proposed service modifications.
- The BRT project has a number of elements. The critical element is the actual level of services. The new BRT will be operating in Oakland and San Leandro. It will replace the Lines 1, 1R and 801 that now operate from the San Leandro BART Station via East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, onto International Boulevard to downtown Oakland ending at 20<sup>th</sup> and Broadway.
- Stations will be 1/3 mile apart. BRT will operate 24 hours, 7 days a week. On the weekdays, it will operate from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., with service every 5 minutes. After 6:00 p.m. service will be every 10+ minutes. After midnight, service will be every hour.
- Weekend day service is every 7-8 minutes. Weekend night service, after 6:00 p.m., until midnight will be every 30

minutes. After midnight, the Owl All-Nighter kicks in and service will be every hour.

- Commissioners questioned the midnight deadline. The committee requested that the night service hours be extended until 1:00 a.m., (this will be every 30 minutes).
  - Mr. DiestLorgion stated that this is a possibility and this request will be examined by AC Transit.
- The proposed bus route for Telegraph Avenue will be consistent with the present Line 1 that goes into downtown Berkeley. The service plan is that the new Line 1 be more reliable and quicker because the route will be shorter. The bus stops will be reconfigured to fit closely with the complete street project planned for Telegraph Avenue.
- In response to the installation of the BRT, there will be changes in routes, schedules and stops of the local routes that cross or parallel International Boulevard or East 14<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - Local routes that will be affected are, Lines 11, 14, 47 and 97. The Owl All-Nighter line 801 will be routed from the San Leandro BART to travel south to Fremont.
- Ms. Calabrese requested that AC Transit staff produce robust maps that delineate the change in service routes. Requested that the street names and bus routes be clearly plotted.
- Ms. Calabrese further requested that a map portray pedestrian walkways in relation to the BRT stops and the best transfer positions for the local buses. Mr. DiestLorgion agreed that this will be possible.
- Ms. Calabrese stated that the BRT Project is being delivered in three packages. They are advanced utilities, technology, (which has been approved) and the parking/business mitigation package. The major road package is at 65% design and completion is carefully moving forward. The entire BRT project will be presented to both the City and AC Transit Board late this fall.
- EBBRT – Standard Station Name Change. Ms. Mitra reported that AC Transit will keep the BRT Stop names consistent with its actual loading/offloading spot. In San Leandro BRT stops will have district/neighborhood names.

XI. Meeting Evaluation

- Commissioner Blanks expressed his appreciation to AC Transit for its cooperation and feedback. It is much appreciated that AC Transit took the MCPD/ACAC (concerns of persons with disabilities) seriously.
- Future subcommittee (BRT) meeting will be determined.

XII. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- Staff reports

XIII. Adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

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ON THE AGENDA

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