



**Foothill Transit**

**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
FOOTHILL TRANSIT GOVERNING BOARD**

**FOOTHILL TRANSIT OPERATIONS &  
MAINTENANCE FACILITY  
200 S. EAST END AVENUE  
POMONA, CA 91766**

**Wednesday, October 5, 2018  
7:45 a.m.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Calaycay at 7:47 a.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Member Badar.

**3. FOCUS ON SAFETY**

DeAndre Goree, Interim Safety and Training Manager, presented a safety message on exiting the operations and maintenance facility in case of an emergency.

**4. ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken by Christina Lopez, Board Secretary.

Present: Member Corey Calaycay, Member Emmett Badar, Member Uriel Macias, Member Cruz Baca, Member Gary Boyer, Member Albert Ambriz, Member Corey Warshaw, Member Roger Chandler, Member Richard Barakat, Member Tzeitel Paras-Caracci, Member Becky Shevlin, Member Margaret McAustin, Member Carol Herrera, Member Hector Delgado, Member Sam Pedroza, Member Jimmy Lin

Absent: Member Charlie Rosales, Member Robert Torres, Member Nancy Tragarz, Member Peggy Delach, Member Juventino Gomez, Member Cory Moss, Member Valerie Munoz

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

After discussion, by Common Consent, and there being no objection, the



Board approved the agenda as presented.

6. **REVIEW & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes for the Governing Board Meeting of June 8, 2018.

Motion by Member Badar, second by Vice Chair Herrera, the minutes for the Governing Board Meeting of June 8, 2018 were approved. Motion carried 18-0.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Steve Shaw, Keolis President and CEO, welcomed the Governing Board to the Pomona facility and thanked the Governing Board for their partnership.

7.1. Executive Director Response to Public Comment

There was no response to Public Comment by the Executive Director.

8. **FOOTHILL TRANSIT PROGRAM UPDATES**

8.1. **Electric Bus Program Update**

Roland Cordero, Director of Maintenance and Vehicle Technology, presented this item.

Mr. Cordero provided an update on Foothill Transit's Electric Bus Program. He reported that Southern California Edison (SCE) would be deploying programs to invest \$350 million for new infrastructure. In September, Foothill Transit's application for the SCE Charge Ready Pilot Program was selected. SCE will provide \$700,000 for infrastructure work. Proterra will install 14 chargers and overhead structure. The project scheduled is currently in development and completion of the project is scheduled for completion in May 2019. Once completed, Foothill Transit will operate fully electric on Line 280.

The City of Duarte and Foothill Transit signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the provision of new electric buses and transportation services within the City of Duarte. Two electric buses will run Duarte's Blue and Green Line and a third bus will serve as a spare. Buses are currently in production at the Proterra, City of Industry facility. The service will commence in January 2019.



One of the challenges of operating an electric bus is the higher cost to fuel and charge an electric bus. On a cost per mile basis, Foothill Transit pays a 33 percent premium for electricity versus compressed natural gas. SCE has proposed three new rates and including waiving demand charges for five years.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is developing regulations to require agencies to deploy electric buses. Foothill Transit is working with the California Transit Association (CTA) to provide a counter proposal.

## 8.2. **Covina Transit Center and Park & Ride**

Sharlane Bailey, Director of Facilities, presented this item.

Ms. Bailey provided an update on the Covina Transit Center and Park & Ride project. She presented a timeline of the project since its inception in 2015. The transit center will be located at the northeast corner of Citrus Avenue and Covina Boulevard. The entire project consists of 10.67 acres of which Foothill Transit owns 3.08 acres. The remaining property is owned by Meritage Homes and the City of Covina.

The parking structure will have three levels with approximately 317 parking spaces. There will be four bus bays, a layover area, and provisions for an electric bus charging station. There is also a 4400 square foot commercial space in the transit center. Foothill Transit is looking for a commercial partner that can provide high consumer traffic and good visibility for the transit center, while also generating revenue. At the November Executive Board Meeting, staff will present and item to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate final terms and conditions and execute a letter of interest with a potential tenant, Ray's Tepeyac restaurant.

Next steps include obtaining plan check approval by the city and beginning construction. Completion of the transit center and commercial building is expected in fall 2019.



### 8.3. **Mt. San Antonio College Transit Center**

Sharlane Bailey, Director of Facilities, presented this item.

Ms. Bailey provided an update on the Mt. San Antonio College Transit Center project. She presented a timeline of the project since its inception in 2016.

The transit center will be located on the eastside of the campus, off Temple Avenue. There are currently five Foothill Transit bus lines that serve the campus. The transit center would consolidate a number of the existing bus stops into the on-campus transit center, providing a safer off street drop-off and pick-up location.

The transit center will feature 10 bus bays, with infrastructure for future electric bus charging. The transit center will feature transit information kiosks, hub bus shelters, and landscaping.

Construction is expected to begin in July 2019, with a nine-month duration for completion in summer of 2020.

### 8.4. **Proposition 6**

David Reyno, Director of Government Relations, presented this item.

Mr. Reyno provided an update on Proposition 6. The proposition will repeal the recently enacted gas tax under Senate Bill 1 (SB 1). Senate Bill 1 became law on April 28, 2017, it is known as the Road Repair and Accountability Act. It increases the gas tax by 12 cents, increases the diesel tax by 20 cents, and increases the base auto registration. It provides \$5 billion in funding for general transportation purposes in California annually.

A repeal effort began immediately. The repeal effort submitted over 940,000 signatures and it qualified in June 2018 for the November 2018 ballot as Proposition 6.

SB 1 would provide \$3.9 million in funding to Foothill Transit annually. Other projects that may be impacted specific to the region include Foothill Gold Line, Glendora to Montclair extension scheduled to receive \$290 million under SB 1, the 57/60 confluence relief project would receive \$22 million, the Route 71 project would receive \$49



million, and ACE would receive \$78 million.

#### 8.5. **Tour of the Pomona Operations and Maintenance Facility**

Kevin Parks McDonald, Deputy Executive, presented this item.

Kevin Parks McDonald, Deputy Executive Director provided a brief history of the facility, and then invited members of the Governing Board to tour the facility at the conclusion of the Governing Board Meeting.

### 9. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENT**

Comments by Mr. Doran J. Barnes, Executive Director, Foothill Transit.

Mr. Barnes reported the following:

- Mr. Barnes thanked the Governing Board for attending the meeting at the Pomona Operations & Maintenance Facility and thanked Marc Perla and his team for accommodating everyone.
- The third class of the West Coast MAX Program graduated yesterday. The program is a training program that is coordinated with Long Beach Transit and Santa Monica's Big Blue Bus. Kevin Parks McDonald is the Foothill Transit lead in the program.
- Sharlane Bailey, Director of Facilities, is very involved with the Women's Transportation Seminar. Next week an inaugural event will be held called Empowerment Day. The purpose of the event is to expose young women in high school to the many careers that are available in transportation.
- Sharlane Bailey, Director of Facilities, graduated from the Leadership APTA program. Leadership APTA is the premiere training program in the transit industry. Donald Luey, Director of IT, will be participating in the Leadership APTA during the upcoming year.
- Carol Herrera, Executive Board Vice Chair, was elected to a three-year term on the APTA Executive Committee and was elected to a three year term as the Chair of the APTA Transit Board Members Committee.
- An Alexander Dennis double-decker bus was in demo in service for the last month. Foothill Transit will be the first transit agency in North America to deploy a double-decker electric bus in transit service.
- Mr. Barnes participated in a World Bank Leadership Seminar in Brazil. Mr. Barnes was asked to provide the North American perspective and help Latin American counterparts to learn about electric vehicles.



- Mr. Barnes had a video played that highlighted Foothill Transit's activities at the Los Angeles County Fair. For the last two years, Foothill Transit has held a picnic for its administrative team members. For next year, Governing Board Members will be invited to attend the picnic.
- Staff is working on the meeting calendar for next year. Today's format of having a Governing Board Meeting followed by an Executive Board Meeting is a format that staff is looking to do more of in 2019. Tentatively, there are five to six Governing Board Meetings scheduled for 2019.

10. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENT**

Comments by Members of the Foothill Transit Governing Board.

- Member Paras-Caracci enjoyed the foodies segments on Foothill Transit's social media. Thanked Foothill Transit for its participation in the Route 66 parade.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment for the October 5, 2018 Foothill Transit Special Governing Board Meeting.

There being no further business, the Foothill Transit Governing Board meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.