

# STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP OF THE FOOTHILL TRANSIT EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Friday, March 1, 2024 8:00 a.m.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Moss at 8:11 a.m.

### 2. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by Christina Lopez, Board Secretary.

Present:

Member Gary Boyer, Member Corey Calaycay, Member Dr. John

Lloyd (Alternate), Vice Chair Becky Shevlin,

Chair Cory Moss

Absent:

Cynthia Sternquist

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public addressed the Foothill Transit Executive Board.

#### 4. STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

Peter Stark, Facilitator

Mr. Stark, representing Peter Barron Stark & Associates, Inc., workshop facilitator, greeted attendees, and provided opening statements covering the overall emphasis of the workshop.

In addition, Mr. Stark gave an overview of Executive Board and staff member interviews conducted in February 2024.



Staff provided verbal presentations on the past, current history, and status of the following topics:

### Financial Forecast

Budget and Grants Manager Jorge Quintana presented the operating and capital financial forecast.

## Federal Legislative Program

Director of Government Relations Yoko Igawa introduced Foothill Transit federal advocate Jan Powell, who presented a federal legislative update.

## State Legislative Program

Director of Government Relations Yoko Igawa introduced Foothill Transit state advocate Steve Wallauch, who presented a state legislative update.

## Frequent Network

Director of Planning Joe Raquel presented on the proposed Frequent Network Line 492 Pilot. The board advised staff to advance with presenting the Line 492 Pilot to the Governing Board, with April implementation and with outreach scheduled for the summer.

## Governing Board Survey on Meeting Start Times

Board Secretary Christina Lopez presented the results of a survey conducted of the Governing Board regarding the start times of Governing Board Meetings. Based on the results, staff will be recommending that the Executive Board revise the 2024 meeting schedule, so that the start times for Governing Board and Executive Board meetings be changed to 8:00 a.m.

#### Board Stipend Policy Review

As required by the Executive Board and Governing Board Members Stipend Policy, Board Secretary Christina Lopez presented the annual review of the stipend policy. No changes to the policy are being recommended.

# 5. ACTION ITEM: CONTRACT AWARD FOR 19 BUS PROCUREMENT

Recommendation: Authorize the CEO to enter into a contract for the purchase of 19 transit buses including making progress payments. Provide direction regarding if these should be Fuel Cell Electric Buses (FCEB) or Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) powered buses, or some combination of the two technologies.



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

Mr. Cordero presented an overview of each option under consideration. The cost to purchase 19 fuel cell buses would be \$22.2 million, cost for CNG buses would be \$13.6 million, and the cost for a mixed fleet of 10 fuel cell and 9 CNG buses would be \$20.6 million. Staff responded to comments and questions from members of the Executive Board.

Motion by Member Calaycay, second by Vice Chair Shevlin, to approve authorizing the purchase of 19 fuel cell electric buses. Motion carried 4 (Calaycay, Shevlin, Moss, Lloyd) - 1 (Boyer).

# 6. CLOSED SESSION: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

(Gov't Code § 54957)

Title: Chief Executive Officer

There was no Public Comment on Closed Session item 6.

The Board recessed into Closed Session at 12:53 p.m.

### 7. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The Executive Board reconvened at 1:45 p.m.

General Counsel Darold Pieper reported that there were no reportable actions.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment for the March 1, 2024, Foothill Transit Strategic Planning Workshop.

There being no further business, the Foothill Transit Strategic Planning Workshop adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Prepared by:

Christina Lopez, Board Secretary

Approved on: 03/29/2024