



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FOOTHILL TRANSIT EXECUTIVE BOARD**

**FOOTHILL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
2ND FLOOR BOARD ROOM
100 S. VINCENT AVENUE
WEST COVINA, CALIFORNIA 91790**

**Friday, October 24, 2025
8:00 a.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Shevlin at 8:06 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by Christina Lopez, Board Secretary.

Present: Member Edward Alvarez, Member Corey Calaycay, Member Cory Moss, Vice Chair Cynthia Sternquist, Chair Becky Shevlin

Chair Shevlin recessed the meeting at 8:06 a.m.

Chair Shevlin reconvened the meeting at 9:26 a.m.

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA BY CHAIR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Doran Barnes, Chief Executive Officer, requested that Item 8, Resolution Adopting Executive Board and Governing Board Meeting Schedule for 2026, be pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

After discussion, by Common Consent, the Chair and Chief Executive Officer confirmed the agenda as revised.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1. Introduction of Foothill Transit Business Partners

There were no presentations by Foothill Transit business partners.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Mike Greenspan and Ulyses Gontes provided two minutes of Public Comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Executive Board took action on a single motion on items 6 -7 and 9. Item 8, Resolution Adopting Executive Board and Governing Board Meeting Schedule for 2026 was pulled for discussion and action.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 29, 2025**

Motion by Member Moss, second by Member Calaycay, to approve. Motion carried 5-0.

7. **OCTOBER 2025 PROCUREMENT MONTHLY REPORT**

Recommendation: Receive and file the Procurement Monthly Report for October 2025.

The Executive Board received and filed the Procurement Monthly Report for October 2025.

8. **RESOLUTION ADOPTING EXECUTIVE BOARD AND GOVERNING BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2026**

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 2025-04, the Executive and Governing Board Meeting Schedule for 2026.

This agenda item was pulled for discussion. Doran Barnes, Chief Executive Officer, stated that the board may want to consider moving the proposed April 2026, Executive Board Meeting date due to a conflict with a California League of Cities event scheduled the same week as the Executive Board Meeting. After discussion the Board identified May 1, 2026, as the replacement date for the April 2026.

Motion by Vice Chair Sternquist, second by Member Moss, to adopt the revised 2026 meeting schedule and moving the meeting scheduled for April 2026 to May 1, 2026. Motion carried 5-0.

9. **AMENDMENT TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

Recommendation: Authorize the Executive Board Chair to execute the Second Amendment to the First Amended and Restated Chief Executive Officer Employment Agreement dated July 1, 2023.

Motion by Member Moss, second by Member Calaycay, to approve. Motion carried 5-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

10. **U.S. TARIFF IMPACTS AND BUS FUNDING UPDATES**

Recommendation: Receive and file the U.S. Tariff Impacts and Bus Purchase Funding Updates report.

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

Mr. Cordero reported on the US tariff impacts and bus purchase funding. He reported that the average rate of tariffs ranged from 2.5 percent to 27 percent. In June 2025, the tariff on steel and aluminum was at 50 percent. Bus parts made of steel and aluminum include frame and chassis, exterior panels, and other body components. New Flyer has submitted a letter to Foothill Transit indicating it will begin assessing the tariff impact on the 19 buses ordered. The tariff assessed will be between 3 to 15 percent.

An update on bus funding which included the Alliance for Renewable Clean Hydrogen Energy Systems (ARCHES), Hybrid Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Program, and the Sale and Use Tax Exemption was provided. Doran Barnes, Chief Executive Officer, indicated that a special meeting may have to be scheduled to address potential funding issues and budget adjustments.

The Executive Board received and filed the U.S. Tariff Impacts and Bus Purchase Funding presentation.

11. LOS ANGELES METRO TRANSIT CENTER PERMITS

Recommendation: Receive and file the Los Angeles Metro (LA Metro) Transit Center Permits Report.

Joe Raquel, Director of Service Development and Information Technology presented this item.

Mr. Raquel reported the Foothill Transit provides service to two LA Metro owned transit centers, El Monte Station, the newly opened Pomona A-Line Station, and Foothill Transit utilizes Terminal 28 in downtown Los Angeles as a layover. The LA Metro Real Estate Department has informed Foothill Transit that permits and fee will be required to operate at LA Metro operated transit center and terminals. The fee will \$1,000 per site per month. Foothill Transit will have to pay \$12,000 a year for each of the three sites for a total of \$36,000 a year. Foothill Transit has submitted the permit applications to LA Metro.

Staff responded to questions and comments from the Executive Board. The Executive Board received and filed the LA Metro Transit Center Permits presentation.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMENT

Comments by Mr. Doran J. Barnes, Chief Executive Officer, Foothill Transit.

Mr. Barnes reported the following:

- The next meeting of the Executive Board is scheduled for December 12, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.
- Board members and staff will be participating in bus inspections at New Flyer facility.
- Board members and staff will be participating in the California Transit Association Fall Conference scheduled for November 5-7, 2025. Foothill Transit will be recognized as Employer of the Year at the WTS Scholarship Awards Dinner on November 6.
- State Senator Archuleta is scheduling a hearing on the use of hydrogen as a transportation fuel and Mr. Barnes has been asked to speak at the hearing.

12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Comments by Members of the Foothill Transit Executive Board.

- Chair Shevlin thanked attendees for their positive input during today's meetings. She noted that negative or inappropriate public comments can be difficult, and emphasized the value of positive input and how it can be helpful and useful. She also reminded participants that comments or suggestions may be submitted to Foothill Transit outside of board meetings.

13. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
(Government Code § 54956.8)

Property Address/Location: APN: 8265-004-041

Agency Negotiator(s): Doran J. Barnes, Darold D. Pieper, LaShawn King Gillespie, Sharlane Bailey

Negotiating Parties: Puente Hills Land Venture

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

The Executive Board recessed into Closed Session at 9:55 a.m.

14. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The Executive Board reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

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

15. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment for the October 24, 2025 Foothill Transit Executive Board Meeting.

There being no further business, the Foothill Transit Executive Board meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Prepared by:



Christina Lopez, Board Secretary

Approved on: 12/12/2025