



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

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

**Friday, November 14, 2025
8:30 a.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Shevlin at 8:35 a.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Member Calaycay.

3. 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

Guests: Governing Board Member Richard Barakat, Governing Board Member Cindy Galvan, Governing Board Member John Lloyd

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

5. REEVALUATION OF FUEL TECHNOLOGY FOR 30 TRANSIT BUSES TO BE MANUFACTURED BY NEW FLYER, CONSIDERATION OF NEW CONTRACTS AND TERMINATION OF RELATED CONTRACTS, AND POTENTIAL REPROGRAMMING OF CERTAIN FUNDS

Recommendation: Provide direction on the following: 1. Changing the fuel technology to be used on the 30 buses that are under contract for manufacture by New Flyer from hydrogen fuel cell to compressed natural gas (CNG). 2. Terminating the contract for the hydrogen fuel station at the Arcadia/Irwindale Operations and Maintenance, and authorizing payment for any costs related to the termination. 3. Requesting the reprogramming the California State TIRCP funds from the hydrogen fuel cell buses to the Cal

Poly Pomona Bronco Mobility Hub or other programs.

Chief Executive Office Doran Barnes and Director Maintenance and Vehicle Technology Roland Cordero presented this item.

Mr. Barnes reported on the current order for 30 Fuel Cell Electric Buses (FCEB) with New Flyer. He reviewed the original funding plan for the 30-bus purchase and the hydrogen fueling station. He reported that the funding that Foothill Transit was scheduled to receive from the Alliance for Reviewable Clean Hydrogen Energy Systems (ARCHES) is uncertain and reported that the Department of Energy has eliminated funding for ARCHES. Another funding source the Hybrid Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Program (HVIP) is currently oversubscribed and it is unsure if additional funds will be available for applicants in the wait list. This creates a \$20 Million gap in the funding program.

To maintain a 30-bus order, Foothill Transit can change the Fuel Cell Electric Bus (FCEB) procurement to 30 Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) buses and cancel the design build of the Arcadia Irwindale hydrogen fueling station. This change would provide \$28 Million in savings, and Mr. Cordero reported that there would be a \$1.8 Million in savings in fuel cost. Mr. Barnes reported that the Governor's Office of Business requested additional time for securing funding. He stated that Foothill Transit could allow a 30-day extension, pending the Executive Board's direction.

Staff responded to comments and questions from the Executive Board and Members of the Governing Board regarding funding, hydrogen versus CNG, and green credits.

Motion by Member Calaycay, second by Member Sternquist, to approve the revised recommendation allowing up to 30-days to secure funding. If funding is not secured within that timeframe, staff is directed to proceed with Recommendation 1, Recommendation 2 and Recommendation 3. Motion carried 5-0.

6. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMENT

There were no comments by Mr. Doran J. Barnes, Chief Executive Officer, Foothill Transit.

7. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

There were no comments by Members of the Foothill Transit Executive Board.



7. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENT**

There were no comments by Members of the Foothill Transit Executive Board.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment for the November 14, 2025, Foothill Transit Special Executive Board Meeting.

There being no further business, the Foothill Transit Executive Board meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

Prepared by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christina Lopez".
Christina Lopez, Board Secretary

Approved on: 12/12/2025