



Foothill Transit

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

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

**Tuesday, May 23, 2023
7:45 a.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Calaycay at 7:50 a.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by former Foothill Transit Deputy Chief Executive Officer Kevin Parks McDonald.

3. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by Christina Lopez, Board Secretary.

Present: Member Corey Calaycay, Member Rick Crosby, Member Victor Preciado, Member Emmett Badar, Member Linda Freedman, Member Edward Alvarez, Member Gary Boyer, Member H. Manuel Ortiz, Member Rosario Diaz, Member Michael Cao, Member Richard Barakat, Member Cesar Garcia, Member Becky Shevlin, Member Felicia Williams, Member Fernando Vizcarra, Member Steve Tye, Member Jessica Ancona, Member Cory Moss, Member Valerie Muñoz, Member Hector Delgado, Member Cynthia Sternquist, Member John Lloyd

Absent: Member Daniel Damian, Member Walt Allen

Chair Calaycay recognized newly appointed Governing Board Members Dr. John P. Lloyd and Cesar Garcia.

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA BY CHAIR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

5.1. Introduction of Foothill Transit Business Partners

There were no presentations by Foothill Transit business partners.

5.2. Contractors' Employee Recognition

Shawn Chavira, General Manager, introduced the Arcadia location Transdev employees of the month.

Cynthia Acuna - Employee of the Month
Larry Horrice- Operator of the Month

5.3. Kevin Parks McDonald Recognition

Doran Barnes, CEO, recognized former Deputy CEO Kevin Parks McDonald for his over 20 years of service to Foothill Transit. Governing Board Members from the cities of Claremont, Duarte, La Verne, Pasadena, South El Monte, and West Covina presented Mr. Parks McDonalds will certificates of recognition from their respective city.

5.4. Crossroads Inc. Presentation

Chair Calaycay stated that Crossroads is an organization in Claremont that supports women leaving the prison system. He shared that he attended an event where Keolis employee Bernadette Corvera shared her experience with Crossroads and her eventual hiring by Foothill Transit's contractor Keolis. Chair Calaycay introduced Steve Shaw, Keolis Chief Operating Officer, who shared that Keolis works with various organizations throughout the country that gives individuals second chances. Mr. Shaw introduced Larissa Matzek, Crossroads Chief Operating Officer, who presented an overview of the organization. Doug Brockwell, Keolis General Manager for the Pomona facility introduced Bernadette Corvera. Ms. Corvera shared her story on how Crossroads helped her and her eventual employment with Keolis.

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

Approval of the minutes for the Governing Board Meeting of October 28, 2023.

Motion by Member Ortiz, second by Member Ancona, the minutes for the Regular Meeting of October 28, 2023 were approved. Motion carried 22-0.

7. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLUSTER 2, CLUSTER 3, AND CLUSTER 5 ELECTION RESULTS**

Cluster 2

Member Gary Boyer was reelected Executive Board Member and Member Edward Alvarez was elected Executive Board Alternate.

Cluster 3

Member Becky Shevlin was reelected Executive Board Member and Member Felicia Williams was elected Executive Board Alternate.

Cluster 5

In a special election to fill the vacant Executive Board Alternate seat for Cluster 5, Member John P. Lloyd was elected Executive Board Alternate.

8. **FOOTHILL TRANSIT FORWARD SERVICE CHANGE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Recommendation: Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to implement the proposed service change recommendations.

Joe Raquel, Director of Planning, presented this item.

Mr. Raquel presented an overview of the public outreach process and reviewed the proposed service changes. Implementation of the proposed service changes will begin with the fall service change.

Mike Greenspan, Armando Herman, and Farhan Motiwala each provided public comment on the Foothill Transit Forward service change recommendations. Staff responded to questions and comments from the Governing Board.

Motion by Member Badar, second by Member Crosby, to approve. Motion carried 22-0.

9. **PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET**

Recommendation: Approve Foothill Transit's proposed Business Plan, Budget, and Performance Targets for Fiscal Year 2024.

Jorge Quintana, Budget and Grants Manager, presented this item.

Mr. Quintana reported that a \$229.6 million total budget is proposed for Fiscal Year 2024, of which \$162.1 million are operating expenses and \$67.5 million are capital investments. The agency expects to operate approximately 876,000 vehicle service hours and 8.3 million passenger boardings.

Mike Greenspan, Armando Herman, and Farhan Motiwala each provided public comment on the proposed Fiscal Year 2024 budget. Staff responded to questions and comments from the Governing Board.

Motion by Member Lloyd, second by Member Delgado, to approve. Motion carried 22-0.

10. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMENT**

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

Mr. Barnes reported the following:

- Staff is tracking the debt ceiling negotiations in Washington, DC, as it may affect Foothill Transit's supplemental CARES Act grant.
- The Mt. SAC Transit Center has been completed and information on the opening would be provided.
- The Cal Poly Pomona Transit Center project is still in the planning stages and the project is advancing.
- Hydrogen fueling station began operation this week at the Pomona facility.
- Requested Governing Board Members to meet in the lobby for a photo at the conclusion of the meeting.

11. **GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER COMMENT**

Comments by Members of the Foothill Transit Governing Board.

- Member Preciado thanked everyone who participated in the Heart of the Foothills event. Also shared that he rode the Silver Streak from Downtown LA to Pomona. He stated it was a wonderful experience.
- Member Freedman said she appreciated participating in Foothill Transit's event at the LA County Fair and seeing Foothill Transit recognize its employees.
- Member Williams thanked Foothill Transit for having the double-deck bus at the Earth Day event at Muir High School.
- Member Lloyd thanked Foothill Transit staff and board for supporting the Silver Streak bus service to Cal Poly.
- Member Tye congratulated LaShawn King Gillespie in her promotion to Deputy CEO.
- Member Garcia congratulated those board members who recently got elected to the Foothill Transit Executive Board
- Chair Calaycay congratulated Foothill Transit staff members that were recognized for their years of service at the LA County Fair event.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Greenspan provided one minute of General Public Comment.

Farham Motiwala provided one minute of General Public Comment.

Armando Herman provided one minute of General Public Comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment for the May 23, 2023, Foothill Transit Governing Board Meeting.

There being no further business, the Foothill Transit Governing Board meeting adjourned in the memory of former LA County Supervisor Gloria Molina at 9:24 a.m.

Prepared by:



Christina Lopez, Board Secretary

Approved on: 01/26/2024