

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Friday, April 21, 2023

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Workshop Meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority's (VTA) Board of Directors (Board) was called to order by Chairperson Burt at 9:05 a.m. in Conference Room B-106, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA), 3331 North First Street, San José, California, and via video and teleconference.

1.1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Margaret Abe-Koga	Ex-Officio	Absent
Marie Blankley	Board Member	Present
Pat Burt	Chairperson	Present
Cindy Chavez	Vice Chairperson	Absent
Dev Davis	Board Member	Present
Omar Din	Board Member	Absent
Pam Foley	Board Member	Present
Sudhanshu "Suds" Jain	Board Member	Present
Sergio Jimenez	Board Member	Absent
Rosemary Kamei	Alternate Board Member	Present
Otto Lee	Board Member	Present
Lynette Lee Eng	Alternate Board Member	Present
Sergio Lopez	Board Member	Present
Matt Mahan	Board Member	Absent
Carmen Montano	Alternate Board Member	Absent
Rob Rennie	Alternate Board Member	Present
Omar Torres	Board Member	Absent
Mark Turner	Alternate Board Member	Absent

A quorum was present.

Alternate Member Kamei arrived at the meeting and took her seat at 9:16 a.m.

2. WORKSHOP ITEMS

2.1. FY 2024 and FY 2025 Proposed Biennial Budget

Greg Richardson, Assistant General Manager and Chief Financial Officer, provided a presentation entitled, "Proposed Biennial Budget."

A robust discussion ensued about the proposed biennial budget for fiscal years 2024 and 2025 including: 1) VTA budgeted funds; 2) transit operation focus; 3) update on transit capital process; 4) proposed policy changes; 5) revenue sources; 6) concern over the amount VTA projects; 7) investment strategies to ensure VTA is getting the best rates; 8) the potential impact of the classification and compensation study; 9) revenue, debt service, and labor and benefits projections; and 10) staffing levels and labor costs;

Members of the Board offered the following comments: 1)) expressed concern that South County does not have the same level of transit service as the rest of the surrounding cities; 2) consider thinking strategically for a potential ballot measure in the future to provide services for areas that have not had a robust public transportation.

Public Comment

Doug Muirhead, Interested Citizen, commented on VTA customers coming from different circumstances.

Blair Beekman, Interested Citizen, commented on increasing the amount of time allowed for public comments.

Eugene Bradley, Silicon Valley Transit Users, commented on the lack of VTA service in South Santa Clara County.

On order of Chairperson Burt and there being no objection, the Board reviewed and discussed the Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025 Proposed Biennial Budget.

3. OTHER ITEMS

3.1. Announcements

There were no Announcements.

4. ADJOURNMENT

On order of Chairperson Burt and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Punit Khalsa, Board Assistant VTA Office of the Board Secretary