

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

July 14, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.  
Yolo Transportation District Board Room  
350 Industrial Way, Woodland, CA

### 1. Roll Call - Determination of Quorum

Chair Early called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

Directors Present:

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| Dawnte Early, Chair, City of West Sacramento  | Lucas Frerichs, County of Yolo-via zoom |
| Jesse Loren, Vice-Chair, City of Winters      | Mayra Vega, City of Woodland            |
| Kelly Fong Rivas, UC Davis Health, ex-officio |   |
| Manpreet Ark, CalTrans, ex-officio            |   |

Directors Absent:

Josh Chapman, City of Davis

Staff Present:

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| Autumn Bernstein, Executive Director         | Kimberly Hood, Legal Counsel      |
| Brian Abbanat, Director of Planning          | Chas Fadrigo, Director of Finance |
| Daisy Romero, Director of Transit Operations |                                   |
| Lola Torney, Senior Transportation Planner   |                                   |

### 2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Director Vega made a motion to approve the Agenda. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Loren. The motion was approved by a vote of 4 Yes/0 No.

### 3. General Public Comments

Chair Early called for general public comment

Alan Hirsch provided general public comment

Michael Barnbaum provided general public comment

Alex Benevides provided general public comment

Crystal McGee Lee provided general public comment

Seeing no further comments, Chair Early closed general public comments.

#### **4. Consent Calendar**

- 4a. Approve Board Minutes for the Meeting of June 09, 2025
- 4b. Approve Resolution 2025-08 authorizing expenditures and contract amendment with Fehr & Peers for design and engineering services for the Yolo Active Transportation Corridors (YATC) Project
- 4c. Authorize Executive Director to Enter into Agreement with Jack Wilson Doors to Replace Six Roll-Up Maintenance Doors
- 4d. Approve Board Resolution 2025-09 Authorizing the Executive Director to Purchase Two Battery Electric Gillig 40' Buses
- 4e. Approve Resolution 2025-10 Authorizing Use of 2025-2026 FTA Section 5311 Funding for Route 215 Operations Assistance
- 4f. Approve Agreement with LA Charter for Purchase of Six Used CNG Buses

Motion: Director Frerichs made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar items 4a, 4c, 4d, 4e 4f and to move item 4b to the regular calendar for discussion. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Loren. The motion was approved by a vote of 4 Yes/0 No.

#### **Regular Calendar**

#### **5. Short-Range Transit Plan: Draft Recommendations**

Senior Transportation Planner Torney introduced guest presenter Ron Kilcoyne, Project Manager from Transportation Management & Design (TMD).

Ron Kilcoyne provided an overview of the project plan, including key timelines and survey takeaways. Ron Kilcoyne also reviewed the goals and objectives of the Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP).

Chair Early called for public comment

Alan Hirsch provided comments on the presentation

Crystal Roa provided comments on the presentation

Michael Barnbaum provided comments on the presentation

Fara Marz provided comments on the presentation

Alexandra Arjo provided comments on the presentation via Zoom

Seeing no comments, Chair Early closed public comments

Ron Kilcoyne and Senior Transportation Planner Torney responded to questions and inquiries from the Board

At this time, Director Frerichs left the meeting

## **6. Approve or Delegate Authority to Implement a Temporary Reduction of Service on Yolo Bus Local Routes to Address Shortage of Bus Operators**

Director of Transit Operations Romero provided background on Transdev's role in operating Yolo bus services, including responsibilities for hiring and training drivers.

Director of Transit Operations Romero gave an overview of recently restored trips, as well as recent service interruptions affecting both fixed-route and BeeLine services.

Director of Transit Operations Romero also presented several options to address the current service interruptions and shared staff recommendations with the Board for consideration.

Carmen Alba, Senior Vice President of Transdev's Northwest Region, joined the meeting and provided an update on ongoing service planning efforts and driver retention strategies. Carmen Alba reported that additional resources have been brought in to support operations.

Chair Early called for public comment

Crysal McGee Lee provided comments on the presentation

Michael Barnbaum provided comments on the presentation

Alan Hirsch provided comments on the presentation

Fara Marz provided comments on the presentation

Seeing no further comments, Chair Early closed public comments

Executive Director Bernstein responded to inquiries from the Board regarding the staff recommendations and provided additional context

Motion: Chair Early made a motion to apply penalties for missed trips and to withhold payments for those trips. The motion also directed Executive Director Bernstein to call a special Board meeting if it is determined that any routes need to be suspended. Motion was seconded by Director Vega and offered an amendment requesting that additional information be provided on any routes that may be considered for suspension, including ridership signage.

The amendment was accepted by Chair Early. The motion, as amended, was approved by vote of 3 yes/ 0 No.

## **7. Yolo 80 Managed Lanes Update**

Director of Planning Abbanat introduced the presentation on the Yolo 80 Managed Lanes project.

Carlos Contreras, President of C&M Associates, joined the meeting to provide an update on the traffic and revenue study.

Kathleen Aziz, Principal Transportation Planner from SACOG, presented the CARTA five-year budget forecast estimate.

MJ Jackson, Senior Consultant from WSP, joined the meeting along with Andrew Nelson, Lead Consultant from WSP, who joined via Zoom. MJ Jackson and Andrew Nelson presented an overview of the equity study, including key goals and objectives.

Chair Early called for public comment

Alan Hirsch provided comments on the presentation

Seeing no further comments, Chair Early closed public comments.

## **8. Audited Financial Statements and Compliance Reports and Governance Letter for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30 2024**

Brian Nash, CPA with Richardson & Company LLP, joined the meeting via Zoom to present the audited financial statements and governance letter for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

Director of Finance Fadrigio responded to inquiries from the Board following the presentation.

Chair Early called for public comment

Alan Hirsch provided comments on the presentation

Seeing no further comments, Chair Early closed public comments.

### **4b. Approve Resolution 2025-08 authorizing expenditures and contract amendment with Fehr & Peers for design and engineering services for the Yolo Active Transportation Corridors (YATC) Project**

Director of Planning Abbanat responded to inquiries from the Board

Motion: Director Vega made a motion to approve the Item 4b. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Loren. The motion was approved by a vote of 3 yes/0 No.

## **9. Administrative Reports**

### **A. Board Members' Verbal Reports**

### **B. Executive Director's Verbal Report**

Executive Director Bernstein reported that a competitive application was submitted for a federal grant program to replace aging buses in the fleet.

Executive Director Bernstein also reported that Director of Planning Abbanat and Assistant Transportation Planner Lomeli presented the Yolo Active Transportation Corridor (YATC) project at a recent Yolo County Board of Supervisors meeting, where the project received unanimous support.

### **C. Transdev Report**

#### D. Long Range Calendar

Executive Director Bernstein outlined the Long-Range Calendar

Chair Early called for public comment.

Michael Barnbaum provided public comment

Alan Hirsch provided public comment

Johnathan McClellon provided public comment

Seeing no further comments, Chair Early closed public comments.

#### **10.Adjournment**

Chair Early adjourned the meeting at 9:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

J.Marte

Janeene Marte, Clerk of the Board