

**San Mateo County Transit District (District)
1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, California**

**Minutes of Community Relations Committee Meeting /
Committee of the Whole**

July 10, 2024

Committee Members Present: B. Esser (Chair), R. Mueller, P. Ratto

Committee Members Absent: None

Other Board Members Present Constituting Committee of the Whole: D. Canepa, M. Chuang, M. Fraser, R. Medina, J. Powell

Other Board Members Absent: J. Gee

Staff Present: A. Chan, K. Jordan Steiner, D. Olmeda, J. Cassman, S. van Hoften, D. Santoro, J. Brook, D. Seamans

9.a.1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Brooks Esser called the meeting to order at 2:20 pm.

9.a.2. Approval of Minutes of the Community Relations Committee Meeting of June 5, 2024

Motion/Second: Medina/Powell

Ayes: Canepa, Chuang, Esser, Fraser, Medina, Mueller, Powell, Ratto

Noes: None

Absent: Gee

9.a.3. Appointment of Member Representing the Community to the Citizens Advisory Committee

The Committee approved the appointment of Natasha Opfell to the Citizens Advisory Committee, representing the Community, for a term expiring April 30, 2027.

Motion/Second: Medina/Chuang

Ayes: Canepa, Chuang, Esser, Fraser, Medina, Mueller, Powell, Ratto

Noes: None

Absent: Gee

9.a.4. Accessible Services Update

Tina Dubost, Manager, Accessible Services, said they held a meeting for their mobility ambassadors in June. They participated in an outreach event on the Coastside to discuss transportation alternatives for residents.

9.a.5. Paratransit Coordinating Council Update

Ben McMullan, PCC Chair, said in June that members voted to rename the Paratransit Coordinating Council to the Paratransit Advisory Council. He said they would have a table at the Inclusion Festival later in the month.

9.a.6. Monthly Performance Report | May 2024

Ana Rivas, Director, Bus Transportation, provided the latest performance statistics showing that average weekday ridership increased by 12.2 percent and total monthly ridership increased by 11.1 percent. She said that Ride Plus ridership increased 70 percent in East Palo Alto and 30 percent in Half Moon Bay. She said there were only two DNOs (Did Not Operate) for the month and they met their goal for miles between service calls.

Ms. Rivas recognized the employees of the month.

9.a.7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm.

An audio/video recording of this meeting is available online at <https://www.samtrans.com/about-samtrans/video-board-directors-cac-and-measure-w-coc>. Questions may be referred to the District Secretary's office by phone at 650-508-6242 or by email to board@samtrans.com.