



BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING
of the
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
of the
SANTA BARBARA METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT
A Public Agency
Tuesday, April 7, 2026
8:30 AM
John G. Britton Auditorium
550 Olive Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD MEMBERS**
Dave Davis (Chair), David Tabor (Vice Chair), Jen Lemberger (Secretary), Paula Perotte (Director), Mónica Solórzano (Director), Arjun Sarkar (Director), Alberto Lapuz (Director).
- 3. REPORT REGARDING THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA**

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 4. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES - (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)**
The Board will be asked to review and approve the draft minutes for the meeting of March 17, 2026.
- 5. CASH REPORTS - (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)**
The Board will be asked to review and approve the Cash Reports from March 7, 2026 through March 27, 2026.

THIS CONCLUDES THE CONSENT CALENDAR

- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT**
Members of the public may address the Board on items within the jurisdiction of the Board that are not scheduled for public hearing. The time allotted per speaker will be at the discretion of the Board Chair. If you wish to address the Board under this item number, please complete and deliver to the MTD Board Clerk a "Request to Speak" form that includes both a description of the subject you wish to address and, if applicable, the agenda item number for which you would like to comment. Additional public comment will be allowed during each agenda item, including closed session items. Forms are available at www.sbmtd.gov and at MTD Administrative offices.

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**7. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION: REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS
(GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.8) - (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)**

Property: 4678 Calle Real / 149 North San Antonio Road.

Agency Negotiators: General Manager Jerry Estrada; District Outside Counsel Graham Lyons.

Negotiating Parties: Con/Am Group.

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment.

PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO CLOSED SESSION ITEM WILL BE ALLOWED BEFORE THE RECESS

8. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) FOR CONNECTING FIRST/LAST MILE TRANSIT SERVICE FOR PEAK HOUR RAIL WITH SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SBCAG) - (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN - ATTACHMENT)

Staff recommends the Board authorize the General Manager to continue negotiations with SBCAG regarding the operation of connecting transit service to support peak hour Pacific Surfliner rail service; and approve non-substantive and legal revisions, and finalize the terms of the MOU as necessary to ensure timely implementation of service starting May 2026.

9. FLEET MANAGEMENT UPDATE - (INFORMATIONAL)

Staff recommends the Board receive an informational update on the Fleet Management Program, including the status and implementation of the associated Transit Asset Management Plan.

10. TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AND TRANSIT SERVICES MASTER AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA - (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN - ATTACHMENT)

Staff recommends the Board authorize the General Manager to execute a Transportation Management and Transit Services Master Agreement with City of Santa Barbara to facilitate Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle service.

11. ADVANCE AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO A DEBT INSTRUMENT AGREEMENT WITH FARMERS & MERCHANT'S BANK IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$12,000,000, FOR THE PURCHASE OF EIGHT HEAVY DUTY BATTERY ELECTRIC BUSES – (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)

Staff recommends the Board grant the General Manager advance authority to enter into a debt instrument agreement with Farmers & Merchants bank to provide for a "Specific Use" Line of Credit in an amount of up to \$12,000,000, for the purpose of funding the purchase of Eight (8) Heavy Duty Battery Electric Buses, for a period of time until the grant reimbursements are received; and designate the current Authorized Agents, pursuant to the Master Company Resolution Number 2026-01, adopted by the Board of Directors on January 20, 2026, to effectuate transactions under this agreement.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the MTD Administrative Office at 805.963.3364 at least **48 hours in advance** of the meeting to allow time for MTD to attempt a reasonable accommodation.

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12. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT - (INFORMATIONAL)

The General Manager will report on updates to District activities.

13. OTHER BUSINESS AND REPORTS - (INFORMATIONAL)

A. ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 1234 ETHICS AND SENATE BILL (SB) 827 FISCAL & FINANCIAL TRAINING

Staff recommends the Board receive an overview of mandatory AB 1234 Ethics and SB 827 Fiscal & Financial training.

B. The Board will report on the other related public transit issues and committees.

14. ADJOURNMENT

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS DRAFT MINUTES

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD MEMBERS

Chair Davis reported that all members were present.

3. REPORT REGARDING THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA

Hillary Blackerby, Planning and Marketing Manager reported the agenda was posted on March 13, 2026 at MTD's Administrative Office, emailed to those on the agenda list, and posted to MTD's website

Jerry Estrada, General Manager, reported corrections to:

Item 7 Transportation Development Act (TDA) - Local Transportation Fund (LTF) Grant Application – The resolution number is 2026-02.

Item 8 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program – The resolution number is 2026-03.

CONSENT CALENDAR

4. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES - (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)

The Board was asked to review and approve the draft minutes for the meeting of March 3, 2026.

5. CASH REPORTS - (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)

The Board was asked to review and approve the Cash Reports from February 21, 2026 through March 6, 2026.

There was no public comment.

Director Perotte moved to approve the consent calendar. Director Lapuz seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

THIS CONCLUDES THE CONSENT CALENDAR

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS DRAFT MINUTES

7. **TDA-LTF GRANT APPLICATION- (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN - ATTACHMENT)**

Staff recommended that the Board adopt the attached Resolution No. 2026-02 authorizing the General Manager to claim the Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds apportioned to the Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District for FY 2026-27

Director Tabor moved to adopt Resolution 2026-02. Director Lapuz seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. **LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATIONS PROGRAM - (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)**

Staff recommended that the Board adopt the attached Resolution No. 2026-03 authorizing General Manager Jerry Estrada to execute all required documents for an application to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for FY 2025/26 California Cap-and-Invest funds from the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP).

Director Tabor moved to adopt Resolution 2026-03. Director Solórzano seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

9:15 A.M. TIME CERTAIN – FISCAL YEAR 2025 SECTION 5339(a) PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

9. **FTA 5339(A) PROGRAM OF PROJECTS (INFORMATIONAL - ATTACHMENT)**

The Board received a presentation regarding the proposed Program of Projects (POP) for MTD's FFY 2025 Section 5339(a) capital funding.

11. **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT - (INFORMATIONAL)**

The General Manager reported on updates to district activities and driver recruitment, noting a continued need for additional operators while staffing levels approach the budgeted full-time equivalent maximum, which remains under review as draft budget preparations are underway for adoption in June. Progress on the Haley Street Canopy project continues on schedule, with effective coordination with the contractor. Delivery of eight battery electric Gillig buses is anticipated at the end of March and continuing into early April over several months. Feedback from peers around the state indicates improved operational reliability, though range performance remains a consideration. The Finance Department is concluding the single audit. Service planning matters will include consideration of a proposed routing modification to Line 7, which may be implemented to align with the new roundabouts. The TDA remains a critical funding source, with reserves primarily comprised of LTF revenues; any budget shortfalls are drawn from these funds. Additional information regarding federal funding to support deficit spending is expected in June.

12. **OTHER BUSINESS AND REPORTS - (INFORMATIONAL)**

Chair Davis shared that the State Street Master Plan will be presented to the Santa Barbara City Council on April 28, after which it will be referred to city boards and committees for public hearings over an estimated three to four-month period, and subsequently returned to the City Council for consideration of adoption in the summer. The City Council also approved a Bloomberg grant to support an art redesign of the Carrillo and State Street intersection.

9:25 A.M. TIME CERTAIN – FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2027 49 USC §5307 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS AND DRAFT SERVICE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27

BOARD OF DIRECTORS DRAFT MINUTES

10. DRAFT SERVICE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 (INFORMATIONAL)

The Board received a presentation and provided feedback regarding the proposed service changes for August 2026, which serve as the Program of Projects (POP) for the estimated MTD FFY 2027 Section 5307 funding.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Davis adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District
Cash Report
Board Meeting of April 7, 2026
For the Period March 7, 2026 through March 27, 2026

MONEY MARKET

Beginning Balance March 7, 2026 **\$2,208,834.05**

Accounts Receivable	6,980,000.86
LCTOP Transfer	213,865.75
Passenger Fares	172,058.95
Prepays & Advertising	3,243.00
Miscellaneous Income	2,499.67
Interest Income	89.49
Measure A Transfer	3.67

Total Deposits **7,371,761.39**

Bank & Credit Card Fees	(1,388.92)
Miscellaneous Transfers	(7,607.36)
401(k)/Pension Transfer	(45,764.64)
Payroll Taxes	(183,575.56)
Payroll	(440,750.20)
Accounts Payable	(1,043,921.05)
LAIF Deposit	(3,000,000.00)

Total Disbursements **(4,723,007.73)**

Ending Balance **\$4,857,587.71**

CASH INVESTMENTS

LAIF Account	\$6,627,908.38
Money Market Account	4,857,587.71

Total Cash Balance **\$11,485,496.09**

SELF INSURED LIABILITY ACCOUNTS

WC / Liability Reserves	(\$4,186,205.47)
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Working Capital **\$7,299,290.62**

**Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District
Accounts Payable**

Check #	Date	Company	Description	Amount	Voids
139834	3/12/2026	ABC BUS COMPANIES INC	BUS PARTS	676.93	
139835	3/12/2026	AMERICAN MOVING PARTS LLC	BUS PARTS	1,227.07	
139836	3/12/2026	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC	SUPPLIES	251.14	
139837	3/12/2026	HENRY ANDREWS	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	285.00	
139838	3/12/2026	BRINK'S INCORPORATED	ARMORED TRANSPORTATION SERVI	28.84	
139839	3/12/2026	JAMES BRACKETT	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	240.00	
139840	3/12/2026	KARL BRETZ	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	558.16	
139841	3/12/2026	ARTHUR BURNS	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	570.00	
139842	3/12/2026	RICARDO CABRERA	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	508.00	
139843	3/12/2026	GILBERT CALLES	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	130.00	
139844	3/12/2026	CAPITAL EDGE ADVOCACY INC.	PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVI	6,000.00	
139845	3/12/2026	MIKE CARDONA	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	130.00	
139846	3/12/2026	RJ CARROLL & SONS INC.	BLDG & GROUND REPAIRS	252.61	
139847	3/12/2026	CLAUDIA COFFEE BAR	EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION	900.00	
139848	3/12/2026	STAN CISOWSKI	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	570.00	
139849	3/12/2026	COMMUNITY RADIO INC.	GIBRALTAR SITE RENTAL	331.24	
139850	3/12/2026	COX COMMUNICATIONS CORP.	INTERNET & CABLE TV	582.20	
139851	3/12/2026	CROCKER REFRIGERATION & AIR	HVAC MAINTENANCE	33,341.69	
139852	3/12/2026	CUMMINS SALES & SERVICE DBA	BUS PARTS & REPAIRS	1,013.60	
139853	3/12/2026	NANCY CURTIS	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	285.00	
139854	3/12/2026	DOWNTOWN SANTA BARBARA	ANNUAL CBID ASSESSMENT	4,348.30	
139855	3/12/2026	EVERSHADE LLC DBA	STEAM CLEANING TC/EXPRESS ZON	2,900.00	
139856	3/12/2026	FRONTIER CALIFORNIA INC.	TELEPHONE/RADIO/FIBER OPTIC INT	700.00	
139857	3/12/2026	GENFARE LLC	FAREBOX REPAIRS & PARTS	30,862.78	
139858	3/12/2026	GILLIG LLC	BUS PARTS	735.79	
139859	3/12/2026	GARY GLEASON	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	240.00	
139860	3/12/2026	GOLETA WATER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	372.53	
139861	3/12/2026	GRAINGER INC.	SHOP/B&G SUPPLIES	270.99	
139862	3/12/2026	JILL GRISHAM	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	285.00	
139863	3/12/2026	JIM HAGGERTY	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	241.57	
139864	3/12/2026	ALI HABIBI	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	240.00	
139865	3/12/2026	RICHARD HARRIGAN	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	285.00	
139866	3/12/2026	IAN'S TIRE AND AUTO REPAIR DB	SERVICE VEHICLE TIRES & REPAIRS	264.44	
139867	3/12/2026	JAY DANIEL ROBERTSON	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	285.00	
139868	3/12/2026	JANEK CORP	BUS PARTS	721.13	
139869	3/12/2026	JERRY'S PLUMBING & HEATING IN	PLUMBING REPAIRS	225.00	
139870	3/12/2026	JAVIER JIMENEZ	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	480.00	
139871	3/12/2026	KITCHELL CEM INC.	HALEY CANOPY	15,638.88	

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139872	3/12/2026	MONTE KIMZEY	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	444.00	
139873	3/12/2026	KUBA INC	TAP TO PAY VALIDATORS	11,340.00	
139874	3/12/2026	LANSPEED DBA	IT SERVICES	3,072.00	
139875	3/12/2026	LENZ PEST CONTROL INC	FUMIGATION SERVICES	76.00	
139876	3/12/2026	MC CORMIX CORP. (GAS)	FUEL-SV/MICROTRANSIT	1,657.60	
139877	3/12/2026	MCMASTER-CARR SUPPLY CO.	SHOP/B&G SUPPLIES	157.89	
139878	3/12/2026	MISSION LINEN SUPPLY INC	UNIFORM & LINEN SERVICE	361.72	
139879	3/12/2026	MOHAWK MFG. AND SUPPLY CO.	BUS PARTS	337.24	
139880	3/12/2026	MOUNTAIN SPRING WATER	SHOP & OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,683.20	
139881	3/12/2026	WILLIAM MORRIS	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	285.00	
139882	3/12/2026	MULLEN & HENZELL	CALLE REAL PROJECT SERVICES	10,462.12	
139883	3/12/2026	NFI PARTS DBA	BUS PARTS	614.28	
139884	3/12/2026	PREVOST CAR (US) INC.	BUS/SERVICE VEHICLE PARTS	323.48	
139885	3/12/2026	CARLOS ORNELAS	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	285.00	
139886	3/12/2026	LUIGI OTTIERI	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	285.00	
139887	3/12/2026	ROBERT HALF	TEMPORARY LABOR	5,326.75	
139888	3/12/2026	SAFETY-KLEEN CORPORATION	SHOP EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	678.14	
139889	3/12/2026	SANSUM CLINIC	MEDICAL EXAMS	330.00	
139890	3/12/2026	SILVAS OIL CO. INC.	LUBRICANTS	3,372.13	
139891	3/12/2026	SPECIAL DISTRICT RISK MGMT	HEALTH INSURANCE	87,921.83	
139892	3/12/2026	ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVI	HAZMAT FEES/HALEY CANOPY PROJ	6,333.00	
139893	3/12/2026	SM TIRE CORP.	BUS TIRE MOUNTING	466.36	
139894	3/12/2026	SOAP MAN DISTRIBUTIN DBA	BUS CLEANING SUPPLIES	124.38	
139895	3/12/2026	SOUTHWEST LIFT & EQUIPMENT I	LIFT REPAIRS & SUPPLIES	6,234.29	
139896	3/12/2026	THE COUNTRY MEAT MARKET IN	EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION	1,647.05	
139897	3/12/2026	TEAMSTERS MISC SECURITY TRU	UNION MEDICAL INSURANCE	252,424.00	
139898	3/12/2026	TAC ENERGY LLC	RENEWABLE DIESEL	24,850.92	
139899	3/12/2026	UNITED PARCEL SERVICE INC	FREIGHT CHARGES	541.16	
139900	3/12/2026	JOHN J. VASQUEZ	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	570.00	
139901	3/12/2026	DANIEL WALKER	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	285.00	
139902	3/12/2026	WURTH USA WEST INC.	SHOP SUPPLIES	136.34	
139903	3/12/2026	ALEXANDER YOUNG	RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	285.00	
139904	3/20/2026	ABC BUS COMPANIES INC	BUS PARTS	5,624.83	
139905	3/20/2026	AT&T MOBILITY-CC	TAP2PAY COMMUNICATIONS	1,076.94	
139906	3/20/2026	AMERICAN MOVING PARTS LLC	BUS PARTS	521.35	
139907	3/20/2026	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC	SUPPLIES	317.23	
139908	3/20/2026	CHARGEPOINT INC.	CHARGE READY BRIDGE PROJECT	11,590.00	
139909	3/20/2026	COASTAL CHEVROLET	BUS/SERVICE VEHICLE PARTS	14.57	
139910	3/20/2026	CUMMINS SALES & SERVICE DBA	BUS PARTS & REPAIRS	775.81	
139911	3/20/2026	CROSSLINE SUPPLY LLC	BUS PARTS	281.87	
139912	3/20/2026	ALLIANT POWER DBA	BUS PARTS	3,736.03	

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139913	3/20/2026	EASY LIFT TRANSPORTATION INC	MONTHLY ADA SUBSIDY	100,676.07	
139914	3/20/2026	EL ZARAPE MEXICAN FOOD DBA	EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION	4,826.18	
139915	3/20/2026	FAST UNDERCAR DBA	EV BUS PARTS	1,934.78	
139916	3/20/2026	GIBBS INTERNATIONAL INC	BUS PARTS	723.44	
139917	3/20/2026	GILLIG LLC	BUS PARTS	2,742.44	
139918	3/20/2026	GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO	BUS TIRE LEASE	15,380.71	
139919	3/20/2026	GRAINGER INC.	SHOP/B&G SUPPLIES	326.57	
139920	3/20/2026	HOME IMPROVEMENT CTR.	SHOP/B&G SUPPLIES	54.25	
139921	3/20/2026	IRON HORSE AUTO BODY OF SB D	VEHICLE REPAIRS	3,104.12	
139922	3/20/2026	KIMBALL MIDWEST	SHOP SUPPLIES	136.56	
139923	3/20/2026	KINTRONICS INC.	SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEM & VIDE	3,479.00	
139924	3/20/2026	KONA ICE OF SANTA BARBARA	TRANSIT APPRECIATION	600.00	
139925	3/20/2026	MARBORG INDUSTRIES (INC)	UTILITIES & RENTAL FEES	370.74	
139926	3/20/2026	MISSION LINEN SUPPLY INC	UNIFORM & LINEN SERVICE	21.85	
139927	3/20/2026	MOHAWK MFG. AND SUPPLY CO.	BUS PARTS	1,267.88	
139928	3/20/2026	NATIONAL DRIVE	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	90.00	
139929	3/20/2026	NFI PARTS DBA	BUS PARTS	628.10	
139930	3/20/2026	NOREGON SYSTEM	MAINTENANCE SOFTWARE	4,398.00	
139931	3/20/2026	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS DBA	BUS/SERVICE VEHICLE PARTS	117.83	
139932	3/20/2026	SILVAS OIL CO. INC.	LUBRICANTS	4,497.86	
139933	3/20/2026	ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVI	HAZMAT FEES/HALEY CANOPY PROJ	128.40	
139934	3/20/2026	SOCALGAS	UTILITIES	1,090.61	
139935	3/20/2026	SB CITY OF-REFUSE & WATER	UTILITIES	2,486.50	
139936	3/20/2026	THE MEDCENTER	MEDICAL EXAMS	1,475.00	
139937	3/20/2026	TAC ENERGY LLC	RENEWABLE DIESEL	24,799.68	
139938	3/20/2026	UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA REG	NETWORK & COMMUNICATION SER	103.92	
139939	3/20/2026	UNITED RENTALS NORTH AMERIC	B&G REPAIRS & SUPPLIES	317.69	
139940	3/20/2026	UNITED WAY OF SB	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	30.00	
139941	3/20/2026	J.C.M. AND ASSOCIATES INC.	UNIFORMS	188.79	
139942	3/20/2026	U.S. BANK CORP. PAYMENT SYST	CREDIT CARD PURCHASES	3,027.46	
139943	3/20/2026	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE PROGRA	BUS PARTS	1,228.84	
139944	3/20/2026	VERIZON WIRELESS	CELLULAR/WIRELESS SERVICE	1,069.48	
139945	3/20/2026	WAXIE SANITARY SUPPLY DBA	JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	878.81	
139946	3/20/2026	YACO SCHOLARSHIP FUND	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	40.00	
139947	3/26/2026	ABC BUS COMPANIES INC	BUS PARTS	1,803.95	
139948	3/26/2026	AMERICAN MOVING PARTS LLC	BUS PARTS	686.46	
139949	3/26/2026	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC	SUPPLIES	382.98	
139950	3/26/2026	ASBURY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVI	WASTE OIL RECYCLER	153.00	
139951	3/26/2026	CITY OF GOLETA	T2 DEVELOPER DEPOSIT	5,000.00	
139952	3/26/2026	CUMMINS SALES & SERVICE DBA	BUS PARTS & REPAIRS	2,340.34	
139953	3/26/2026	DENMUN OFFICE SOLUTIONS DBA	IT CONTRACT SERVICES	9,690.00	

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139954	3/26/2026	FRONTIER CALIFORNIA INC.	TELEPHONE/RADIO/FIBER OPTIC INT	54.09	
139955	3/26/2026	GILLIG LLC	BUS PARTS	7,876.66	
139956	3/26/2026	HOME IMPROVEMENT CTR.	SHOP/B&G SUPPLIES	5.56	
139957	3/26/2026	IAN'S TIRE AND AUTO REPAIR DB	SERVICE VEHICLE TIRES & REPAIRS	217.45	
139958	3/26/2026	KITCHELL CEM INC.	HALEY CANOPY	21,179.48	
139959	3/26/2026	KENT AUTOMOTIVE DBA	SHOP SUPPLIES	1,091.41	
139960	3/26/2026	MC CORMIX CORP. (GAS)	FUEL-SV/MICROTRANSIT	1,191.66	
139961	3/26/2026	MCMaster-CARR SUPPLY CO.	SHOP/B&G SUPPLIES	627.99	
139962	3/26/2026	MISSION LINEN SUPPLY INC	UNIFORM & LINEN SERVICE	374.89	
139963	3/26/2026	MOHAWK MFG. AND SUPPLY CO.	BUS PARTS	31.92	
139964	3/26/2026	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS DBA	BUS/SERVICE VEHICLE PARTS	78.55	
139965	3/26/2026	PITNEY BOWES INC	POSTAGE METER QTRLY CHARGES	65.55	
139966	3/26/2026	POWERSTRIDE BATTERY CO.	BATTERIES	370.72	
139967	3/26/2026	ROBERT HALF	TEMPORARY LABOR	2,980.00	
139968	3/26/2026	SILVAS OIL CO. INC.	LUBRICANTS	1,140.83	
139969	3/26/2026	SMITH MECHANICAL-ELECTRICA	HALEY CANOPY PROJECT	133,495.64	
139970	3/26/2026	SM TIRE CORP.	BUS TIRE MOUNTING	1,288.26	
139971	3/26/2026	SO. CAL. EDISON CO.	UTILITIES	7,018.48	
139972	3/26/2026	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON	ELECTRIC VEHICLES "FUEL"	9,755.84	
139973	3/26/2026	SOCALGAS	UTILITIES	61.93	
139974	3/26/2026	SOUTHWEST LIFT & EQUIPMENT I	LIFT REPAIRS & SUPPLIES	7,725.65	
139975	3/26/2026	STANTEC ARCHITECTURE INC.	FACILITIES A&E SERVICES	31,165.27	
139976	3/26/2026	STAPLES CONTRACT & COMMERC	OFFICE SUPPLIES	121.91	
139977	3/26/2026	SB COUNTY AIR POLLUTION	EMISSIONS FEE	897.25	
139978	3/26/2026	TAC ENERGY LLC	RENEWABLE DIESEL	49,137.29	
139979	3/26/2026	J.C.M. AND ASSOCIATES INC.	UNIFORMS	3,819.76	
139980	3/26/2026	VERITECH INC	BUS PARTS	555.00	
139981	3/26/2026	WAXIE SANITARY SUPPLY DBA	JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	3,209.27	
139982	3/26/2026	WURTH USA WEST INC.	SHOP SUPPLIES	586.38	
139983	3/26/2026	FRONTIER CALIFORNIA INC.	TELEPHONE/RADIO/FIBER OPTIC INT	153.60	
139984	3/26/2026	FRONTIER CALIFORNIA INC.	TELEPHONE/RADIO/FIBER OPTIC INT	753.57	
139985	3/26/2026	FRONTIER CALIFORNIA INC.	TELEPHONE/RADIO/FIBER OPTIC INT	763.50	
				1,043,921.05	
Current Cash Report Voided Checks:				0.00	
Prior Cash Report Voided Checks:				0.00	
Grand Total:				\$1,043,921.05	

**Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District
Cash Receipts of Accounts Receivable**

Date	Company	Description	Amount
3/10/2026	County of Santa Barbara	Passes/Token Sales	1,305.00
3/11/2026	City of SB Creeks Division	Advertising on Buses	332.00
3/11/2026	SB School District	Passes/Token Sales	62,500.00
3/13/2026	Montecito Bank & Trust	Advertising on Buses	3,210.00
3/13/2026	Outselling Inc.	Advertising on Buses	9,652.50
3/13/2026	Outselling Inc.	Advertising on Buses	9,652.50
3/17/2026	County of Santa Barbara	Passes/Token Sales	6.25
3/17/2026	SB Rescue Mission	Advertising on Buses	3,855.60
3/19/2026	Federal Transit Administration	FTA Operating Assistance	6,862,343.00
3/24/2026	City of SB Creeks Division	Advertising on Buses	332.00
3/24/2026	UCSB - Parking Services-7001	Passes/Passports Sales	5,890.00
3/24/2026	UCSB - Parking Services-7001	Passes/Passports Sales	5,700.00
3/24/2026	UCSB Bookstore	Passes/Passport Sales	10,875.00
3/25/2026	Rosales Mexican Restaurant	Advertising on Buses	766.00
3/25/2026	Wells Marketing, LLC	Advertising on Buses	3,581.01
Total Accounts Receivable Paid During Period			\$6,980,000.86



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

MEETING DATE: APRIL 7, 2026 **AGENDA ITEM #:** 8

TYPE: ACTION ITEM

PREPARED BY: PLANNING AND MARKETING MANAGER HILLARY BLACKERBY

REVIEWED BY: GENERAL MANAGER JERRY ESTRADA

SUBJECT: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR CONNECTING FIRST/LAST MILE TRANSIT SERVICE FOR PEAK HOUR RAIL WITH SBCAG

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board authorize the General Manager to continue negotiations with SBCAG regarding the operation of connecting transit service to support peak hour Pacific Surfliner rail service; and approve non-substantive and legal revisions, and finalize the terms of the MOU as necessary to ensure timely implementation of service starting May 2026.

DISCUSSION:

Santa Barbara MTD and SBCAG previously had an MOU for providing first mile/last mile connecting bus service for peak hour rail trips in 2018. That rail trip was eventually discontinued in 2019, and the connecting service ended at the same time.

Recently, SBCAG and the LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency (responsible for operating the Pacific Surfliner rail service) have worked together to bring an additional peak hour morning trip to serve commuters living in Ventura County and working in Santa Barbara County. This service is expected to begin in May 2026 and is funded by Measure A.

MTD has worked with SBCAG staff to plan the connecting bus service, with three routes serving key locations in Santa Barbara and Goleta. The service will connect to the morning train arrivals at 7:56 a.m. in Santa Barbara and 8:11 a.m. in Goleta. The routes will connect riders to the afternoon train which leaves Goleta at 4:25 p.m. and 4:40 p.m.

Attachment:

- Attachment 1 - Draft MOU SBCAG Provide Connecting Transit Service for Peak Hour Pacific Surfliner Rail Service

**DRAFT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
AND THE
SANTA BARBARA METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT
TO PROVIDE
CONNECTING TRANSIT SERVICE
FOR
PEAK HOUR PACIFIC SURFLINER RAIL SERVICE**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into between the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments, hereinafter referred to as “SBCAG,” and the Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District, hereinafter referred to as “DISTRICT,” for the purpose of defining agency roles, responsibilities and commitments for the operation of connecting transit service to support peak hour Pacific Surfliner rail service.

WHEREAS, SBCAG administers the Measure A Passenger Rail Program, which provides \$25 million through 2040 for improvements to passenger rail in Santa Barbara County, including support for connecting local transit service; and

WHEREAS, SBCAG and DISTRICT recognize the mutual benefits of partnering to develop and operate connecting transit service to support peak hour Pacific Surfliner intercity rail service; and

WHEREAS, SBCAG recognizes that DISTRICT is established and existing under Part 9, Division 10, of the California Public Utilities Code, codified at Sections 95000-97100, and empowered to provide public transportation service in the South Coast of Santa Barbara County, and DISTRICT can approve or deny services operating in its district boundaries, and DISTRICT has the equipment, vehicles, experience, and expertise necessary to provide connecting local transit service which meets the objectives of SBCAG; and,

WHEREAS, SBCAG is the region’s federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization responsible for carrying out the metropolitan transportation planning provisions of 23 U.S.C. 134 for urbanized areas in Santa Barbara County; SBCAG is the state-designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency, responsible for the development and implementation of regional transportation projects in Santa Barbara County; SBCAG is a member of the Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency (LOSSAN) that operates the Pacific Surfliner rail service;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties do agree to implement connecting local transit service to support peak hour Pacific Surfliner rail service, according to the roles and responsibilities of a partnership described below.

1. New Service

A. Project Description

The service will consist of local connecting transit service to support peak hour Pacific Surfliner intercity rail service. The service will be open to the public, for all trip purposes, and will be fully accessible to persons with disabilities.

B. Responsibilities of Parties

- 1) Operations. DISTRICT will be responsible for operation of the service in accordance with the service plan developed pursuant to section B (2) below. DISTRICT is responsible for compliance with all federal and state operational requirements, including reporting requirements pursuant to the National Transit Database.
- 2) Service Planning. DISTRICT and SBCAG staff shall jointly develop any necessary modifications to the initial service plan, which is presented in Attachment A.
- 3) Marketing. SBCAG shall be responsible for marketing of the service, in coordination with DISTRICT.

C. Funding

DISTRICT shall deduct fares collected, including passenger fares and fare reimbursement revenue received from LOSSAN, and invoice SBCAG for the net cost of the service provided on a calendar monthly basis. SBCAG shall reimburse DISTRICT for the net cost of the service. The net cost of the service is defined as the fully-allocated cost of the service, minus the fare revenue generated by the service. SBCAG reimbursement of costs to the DISTRICT shall not exceed \$600,000 under the term of this MOU.

D. Hourly Operating Rate and Capital Expenses

SBCAG shall reimburse DISTRICT for the operation of the service at the annual DISTRICT fully-allocated rate per vehicle revenue hour. The fully-allocated rate per vehicle revenue hour for fiscal year (FY) 2025-26 shall be \$219.64, as presented in Attachment B. The fully-allocated rate per vehicle revenue hour will be recalculated for each following fiscal year that this MOU is in effect, based on the DISTRICT's original adopted budget for the respective fiscal year. The fully-allocated rate per vehicle revenue hour for each following year shall not be less than the rate used for the immediately preceding fiscal year

Except as noted under Section B (3) above, this rate is inclusive of all costs associated with operating the service, including, but not limited to, maintenance, vehicle insurance, operator/driver compensation, benefits, fare collection, pass distribution and sales, and insurance (including workers' compensation insurance). However, if DISTRICT is not in a fixed-price diesel fuel contract at any time during the term of the MOU, diesel fuel shall be billed at cost plus a negotiated administrative fee.

The table below presents the per-trip and daily total costs for FY 2025-26. The billable time listed below includes deadhead and revenue time per trip. The table below does not account for any additional wait time that may result from late trains. Wait time for late northbound train arrivals is billable time and SBCAG shall reimburse DISTRICT for the actual service time provided when trains are late. The length of time DISTRICT will wait for late arriving trains is at the discretion of the DISTRICT in consideration of systemwide service needs. Assuming no additional wait time, the amount shown will be invoiced and DISTRICT will be reimbursed as indicated below:

FY 2025-26 Billing Rates for Connecting Transit Service

Trip	Billable Time (Hours)	Fully-Allocated Hourly rate	Cost
Goleta West A.M.	1.42	\$219.64	\$311.89
Goleta West P.M.	1.37	\$219.64	\$300.91
Goleta East A.M.	1.42	\$219.64	\$311.89
Goleta East P.M.	1.48	\$219.64	\$325.07
Santa Barbara A.M.	1.08	\$219.64	\$237.21
Santa Barbara P.M.	1.08	\$219.64	\$237.21
Daily Total	7.85	\$219.64	\$1,724.18

If both parties through their Designated Representatives, as defined herein, agree in writing to provide service beyond the Billable Time, DISTRICT will be reimbursed for the additional time at the Fully-Allocated Hourly rate.

E. Fares

Fares for the connecting transit service shall be set as part of DISTRICT’s systemwide fare structure. Under the terms of the existing Cooperative Agreement between LOSSAN and DISTRICT, and as long as that Agreement remains in effect, rail passengers with valid rail tickets and passes shall be allowed to board at no charge and DISTRICT will bill LOSSAN for the fare for those passengers.

F. Performance

DISTRICT shall collect data required for SBCAG to evaluate service performance and validate invoices and shall provide a report to SBCAG with monthly invoices. The report shall include at a minimum per route ridership, fare revenue collected and on-time performance data. Reports may be those readily available and/or exportable from existing onboard data collection systems. Additionally, DISTRICT shall notify SBCAG of complaints and on-time performance concerns with the existing schedule. SBCAG and DISTRICT shall meet periodically to jointly assess the performance of the service and confer on any changes to the service that may be needed to improve service performance.

H. Vehicles

DISTRICT will make available DISTRICT-owned vehicles for this service.

I. Days of Service

The service will operate each weekday, with the following exceptions. Service will not be provided on the following holidays where DISTRICT currently operates fixed-route service on a weekend level of service (or has no service):

- New Year’s Day
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Presidents’ Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Veterans’ Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Day after Thanksgiving
- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day
- New Year’s Eve

For other holidays that fall on weekdays, the Parties through their Designated Representative, as defined herein, will determine in writing whether service will be provided.

2. Amendment

This MOU may be amended with the written consent of the Designated Representatives, as described herein, or in writing by both parties.

3. Term of the MOU

The term of this Memorandum of Understanding is from May 4, 2026 to April 30, 2027. The term may be extended by written agreement by the Designated Representatives of each agency. This MOU may be terminated by either party upon written notification to the other 120 days prior to the proposed date of termination.

4. Adjustments to Service or Billable Hours

Any changes, adjustments, increases, reductions or losses of service shall be on the basis of the fully-allocated rate per vehicle revenue hour as described in Section 1.D. of this MOU. Such adjustments to service or billable hours shall be approved in writing by the DISTRICT General Manager and the SBCAG Executive Director.

5. Notices

All notices, approvals, acceptances, demands and other communications required or permitted hereunder, to be effective shall be in writing and shall be delivered either in person or by mailing the same by United States mail (postage prepaid, registered or certified, return receipt requested) or by overnight delivery service to the party to whom the notice is directed at the address of such party as follows:

The Santa Barbara Metropolitan
Transit District
Attn: General Manager
550 Olive Street
Santa Barbara, California 93101

The Santa Barbara County
Association of Governments
Attn: Executive Director
260 N. San Antonio Rd., Suite B
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Any written communication given by mail shall be deemed delivered five (5) business days after such mailing date and any written communication given by overnight delivery service shall be deemed delivered one (1) business day after the dispatch date. Either party may change its address by giving the other party written notice of its new address as herein provided.

6. Section Headings

The headings of the several sections, and any table of contents appended hereto, shall be solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect hereof.

7. Severability

If any one or more of the non-material provisions contained herein shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, then such provision or provisions shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions hereof, and such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

8. Compliance with Law

Each party shall, at its sole cost and expense, comply with all state and federal ordinances and statutes, including regulations now in force or which may hereafter be in force with regard to this MOU.

9. California Law and Jurisdiction

This MOU shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. Any litigation regarding this MOU or its contents shall be filed in the Superior Court for the State of California in the County of Santa Barbara.

10. Reciprocal Indemnification

Neither party, nor any officer or employee thereof, is responsible for any injury, damage or liability occurring by reason of anything done or omitted to be done by the other party, the other party's contractors, sub-contractors, and/or agents under or in connection with any work, authority, or jurisdiction conferred upon that other party under this MOU. It is understood and agreed that, to the extent permitted by law, each party will defend, indemnify, and save harmless the other party and all of the other party's officers and employees from all claims, suits, or actions of every nature, kind, and description brought forth under, but not limited to, tortious, contractual, inverse condemnation, or other theories and assertions of liability occurring by reason of anything done or omitted to be done by that party, its contractors, sub-contractors, and/or agents under this MOU.

10. Execution Of Counterparts

This MOU may be executed in any number of counterparts and each of such counterparts shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original; and all such counterparts, or as many of them as the parties shall preserve undestroyed, shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

11. DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES

The Executive Director is the representative of SBCAG and will administer this Agreement for and on behalf of SBCAG. The General Manager is the authorized representative of DISTRICT. Changes in designated representatives shall be made only after advance written notice to the other party.

SBCAG and DISTRICT, represented by the undersigned, do commit to this understanding.

(Signatures on following page)

ATTEST:

Marjie Kirn
Executive Director

Bob Nelson, Chair
Santa Barbara County
Association of Governments

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Rachel Van Mullem
County Counsel

Chief Assistant County Counsel

SANTA BARBARA METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT

Jerry Estrada,
General Manager

Date

Dave Davis, Chair
Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District

Date

DRAFT ATTACHMENT A SERVICE PLAN

DISTRICT will provide three round trips each weekday service day, one in Santa Barbara and two in Goleta, as shown in the maps on the following pages. Designated bus stops for this service are shown as points on the map.

West Goleta Route

The A.M. route will begin at the Goleta Amtrak station at 8:11 A.M. and terminate at the Hollister at Palo Alto bus stop at 8:30 A.M. Designated bus stops along the route are Hollister at Cremona, Hollister at Coromar, and Hollister at Village Way. The P.M. route will begin at the Hollister at Palo Alto bus stop at 3:58 P.M. and terminate at the Goleta Amtrak station at 4:15 P.M. Designated bus stops are Hollister and Camino Real Marketplace, Hollister at Coromar, and Hollister at Los Carneros Road.

East Goleta/UCSB Route

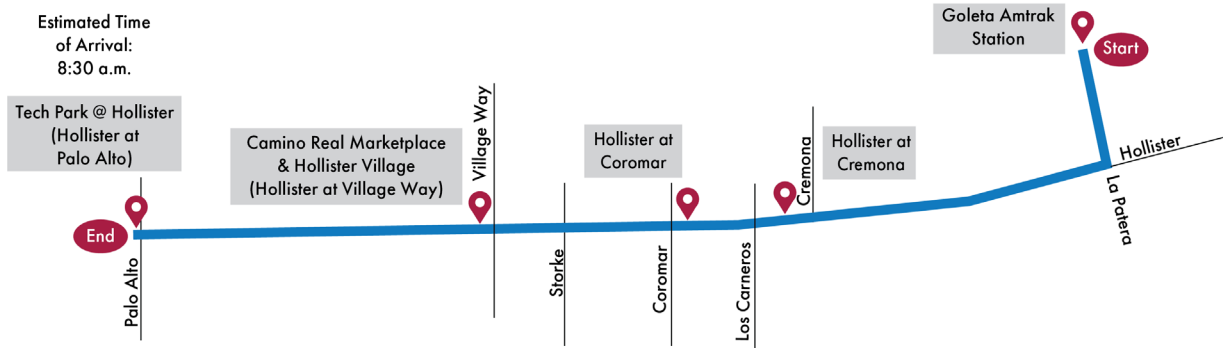
The A.M. route will begin at the Goleta Amtrak station at 8:11 A.M. and terminate at the UCSB North Hall bus stop at 8:30 A.M. Designated bus stops are Hollister at Pine, Hollister at Kellogg, and UCSB Elings Hall. The P.M. route will begin at the UCSB North Hall bus stop at 3:50 P.M. and terminate at the Goleta Amtrak station at 4:15 P.M. Designated bus stops are UCSB Elings Hall, Hollister at Kellogg, and Hollister at Nectarine.

Santa Barbara Route

The A.M. route will begin at the Santa Barbara Amtrak station at 7:56 A.M. and is scheduled to terminate at the bus stop on Pueblo Street at Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital at 8:17 A.M. Designated bus stops are Santa Barbara at Haley, Santa Barbara at De La Guerra, Figueroa at Santa Barbara, and Chapala at Figueroa. The P.M. route will begin at the Pueblo and Cottage Hospital (Sutter/Sansum Clinic side) bus stop at 4:05 P.M. and terminate at the State at Yanonali bus stop at 4:30 P.M. Designated bus stops are Anacapa at Anapamu, Anacapa at De la Guerra, and Anacapa at Ortega.

Line 90-Goleta West Route: A.M.

Line 90 - West Goleta Amtrak Shuttle AM Route



Line 90-Goleta West Route: P.M.

Line 90 - West Goleta Amtrak Shuttle PM Route

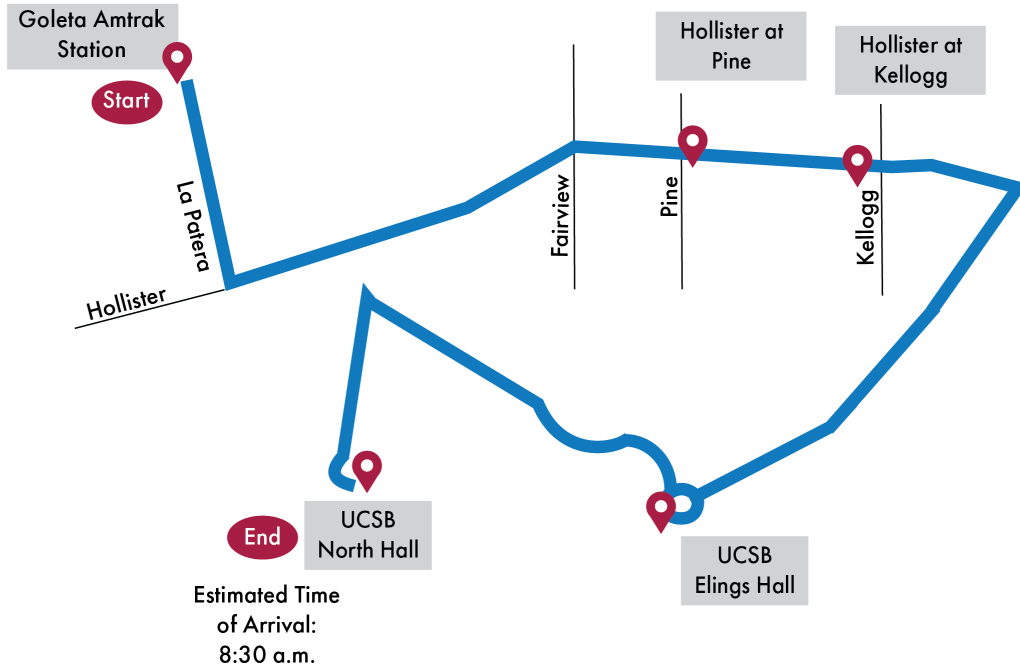
Estimated Times of Departure
Hollister at Palo Alto- 3:58 p.m.
Hollister at Los Carneros- 4:11 p.m.

Estimated Time of Arrival
Goleta Amtrak Station- 4:15 p.m.



Line 91-Goleta East/UCSB Route: A.M.

Line 91 - East Goleta/UCSB Amtrak Shuttle
AM Route



Line 91-Goleta East/UCSB Route: P.M.

Line 91 - East Goleta/UCSB Amtrak Shuttle
PM Route

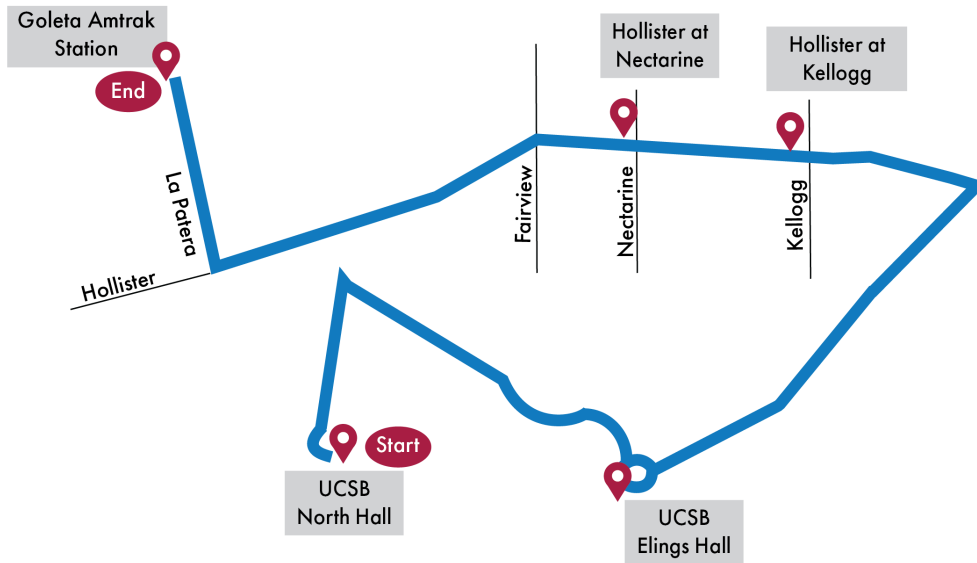
Estimated Times of Departure

UCSB North Hall- 3:50 p.m.

Hollister at Nectarine- 4:03 p.m.

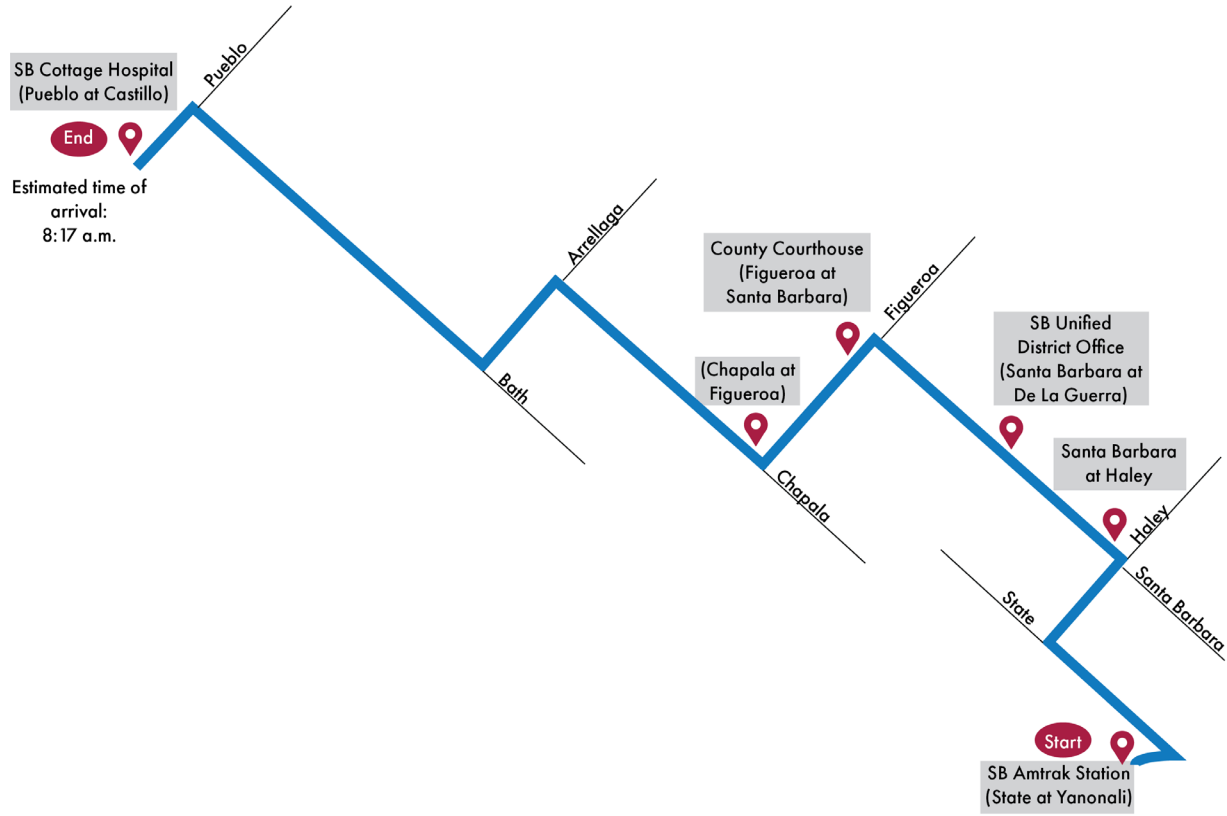
Estimated Time of Arrival

Goleta Amtrak Station- 4:15 p.m.



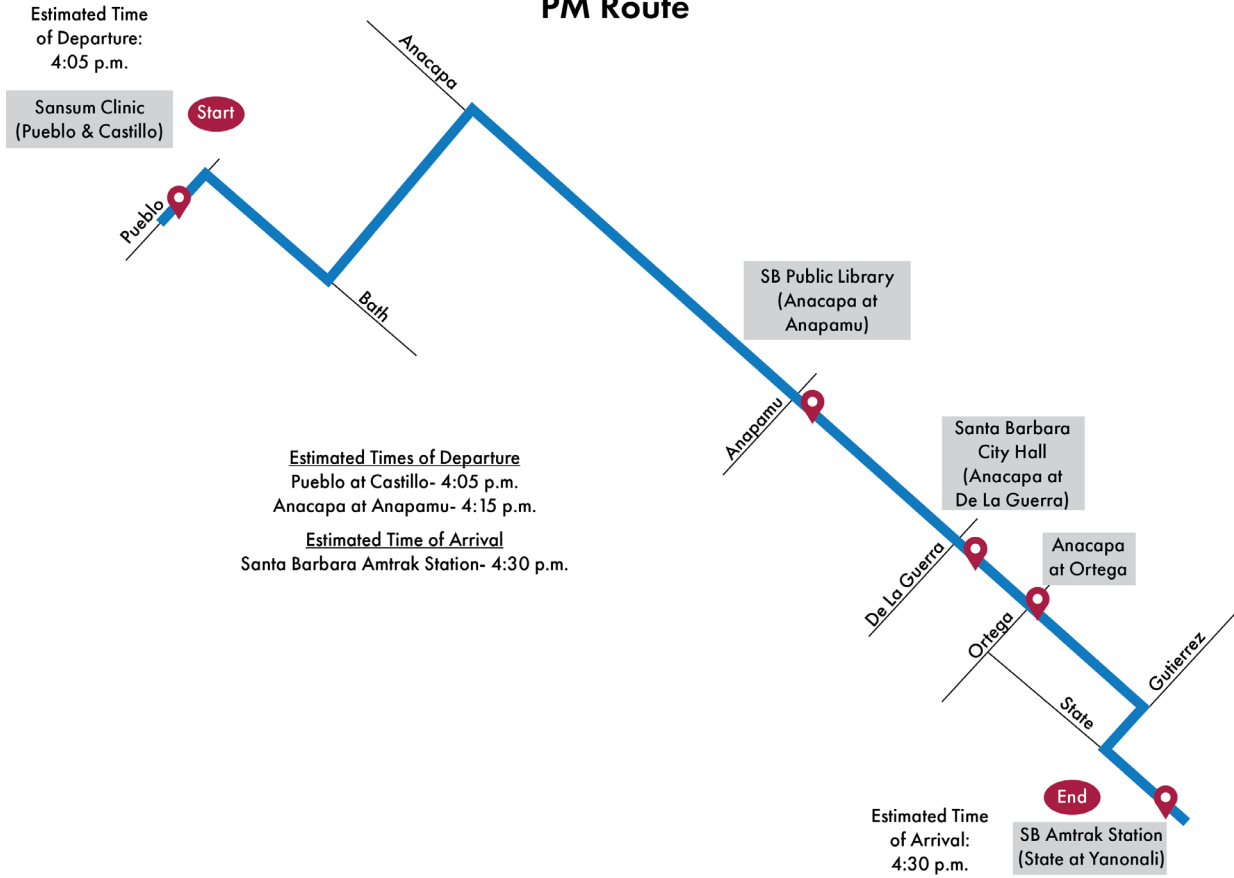
Line 92-Santa Barbara Route: A.M.

Line 92 - Santa Barbara Amtrak Shuttle AM Route



Line 92-Santa Barbara Route: P.M.

Line 92 - Santa Barbara Amtrak Shuttle PM Route



**ATTACHMENT B
DISTRICT BILLABLE RATE METHODOLOGY**

Category	Total Cost	Hourly Cost
Route Operations	\$19,449,206	\$107.71
Vehicle Maintenance	\$7,171,373	\$39.71
Passenger Accommodations	\$2,353,904	\$13.04
General Operations	\$5,251,671	\$29.09
Total Operating Expense	\$34,226,154	\$189.55
Depreciation (FY 2025 Audit)	\$5,433,029	\$30.09
Fully-Allocated Rate per Hour	\$39,659,183	\$219.64

*These numbers are based on FY 2024-25 budget revenue hours of 180,564.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

MEETING DATE: APRIL 7, 2026 **AGENDA ITEM #: 9**

TYPE: INFORMATIONAL

PREPARED BY: CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER / AGM, MARY GREGG

REVIEWED BY: GENERAL MANAGER, JERRY ESTRADA

SUBJECT: FLEET MANAGEMENT UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board receive an informational update on MTD's Fleet Management program, including the status and implementation of the associated Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan.

DISCUSSION:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requires all federally funded transit agencies to maintain a Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan, to ensure that its capital assets remain in a state of good repair (SGR), and to update that plan every four years by October 31 of the applicable update year. The Plan provides a framework for evaluating asset condition and prioritizing capital investments to support continued delivery of safe and reliable transit service.

MTD's current TAM Plan was last updated and approved by MTD's General Manager and Accountable Executive, in October 2022. In preparation for the next required update, and as part of the district's ongoing fleet management and asset planning efforts, Staff has initiated a review and update of the agency's Capital Asset Inventory, with current efforts focused on rolling stock and service vehicles.

This review is intended to ensure that the agency's fleet inventory, condition data, and useful life benchmarks (ULB) are current and accurately reflected in the Plan, so that both revenue and non-revenue vehicle replacement and rehabilitation priorities are aligned with operational needs, asset condition, grant funding strategies, and long-term capital planning objectives. The review also includes MTD's Contingency Fleet, consisting of vehicles maintained outside of the active fleet, reserved for emergency response, service continuity, or other unforeseen and justified operational purposes.

Staff anticipates returning to the Board in July with the draft Transit Asset Management Plan for review and discussion in advance of its required October submittal. Once finalized, the updated TAM Plan will reflect all MTD's capital assets, including rolling stock, equipment, and facilities.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

MEETING DATE: APRIL 7, 2026 **AGENDA ITEM #:** 10

TYPE: ACTION ITEM

PREPARED BY: PLANNING AND MARKETING MANAGER HILLARY BLACKERBY

REVIEWED BY: GENERAL MANAGER JERRY ESTRADA

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AND TRANSIT SERVICES
MASTER AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board authorize the General Manager to execute a Transportation Management and Transit Services Master Agreement with City of Santa Barbara to facilitate Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle service.

DISCUSSION:

Santa Barbara MTD and the City of Santa Barbara previously had a Master Agreement in place for nearly thirty years to partner on Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle operations. The previous agreement expired in June 2022.

This new agreement will facilitate the operation of the Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle for Summer 2026 and will provide an agreement for any future service collaborations.

City staff will be bringing this agreement to City Council for approval in the coming weeks. The funding for this summer's operation is currently programmed in the City's Fiscal Year 2026-27 draft budget.

The Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle is planned to operate on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. from the weekend after Memorial Day to Labor Day Monday (with special service on that day).

The route of the Shuttle is the same as last year--one circulator route that serves the Anacapa and Chapala corridors adjacent to State Street, then State Street from Gutierrez to the Waterfront. It also serves the area along Cabrillo Boulevard from the Harbor to the Santa Barbara Zoo.

Attachment:

- Attachment 1 - Transportation Management and Transit Services Master Agreement

Santa Barbara City Agreement No. _____

TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AND TRANSIT SERVICES
MASTER AGREEMENT

City of Santa Barbara &
Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District
May 1, 2026 – April 30, 2031

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into this _____, by and between the

_____ and _____
City of Santa Barbara (hereinafter referred to
as the "City")
Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District
(hereinafter referred to as the "District"),

for the support and subsidy of transit services within the City of Santa Barbara, California,

- A. The District is established and existing under Part 9, Division 10, of the California Public Utilities Code, codified at Sections 95000-97100, and is authorized to provide public transportation service in the South Coast of Santa Barbara County.
- B. The City and the District desire to promote a "Park Once" concept and encourage persons in the Central Business District (CBD) and the Waterfront to park in City-operated parking lots and utilize the Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle.
- C. The City and the District agree that connectivity between the CBD and the Waterfront is essential to the long-term vitality of the City; and
- D. The City's "Together to Zero" Climate Action Plan (CAP) has identified a goal of promoting use of safe, equitable, zero emission transportation options to reduce pollution and urban congestion, increase public transit mode share, and prioritize transit access and improvements.
- E. The City and the District agree to work collaboratively to implement, market, and promote shuttle services and City-operated parking lots to encourage ridership and promote the "Park Once" concept.
- F. The City previously implemented a Transportation Management Program (TMP) to improve traffic circulation and parking in the City's CBD and Waterfront area.
- G. The City and District recognize that:
 - a) Ease of circulation is critical to the economic vitality of the City's CBD and Waterfront;

- b) Current and planned developments in these areas of the City will result in greater transportation demand in the CBD and Waterfront;
 - c) The City's Circulation Element of the General Plan, the Climate Action Plan, and the Santa Barbara County Air Quality Attainment Plan support expansion of public transportation service as a method of achieving emissions reduction goals and mitigating adverse impacts of vehicular travel; and
 - d) Expanded public transportation service will facilitate greater economic vitality in the CBD and Waterfront while improving air quality and traffic congestion problems.
- H. The City acknowledges that the District has the authority, equipment, and expertise necessary to provide high-quality public shuttle service in the South Coast region, including within the City.

NOW, THEREFORE it is mutually agreed between the Parties that:

1. Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle Service

The District shall provide the Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle service utilizing electric vehicles (EVs). The Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle will provide service on State Street, Chapala Street, and Anacapa Street between Stearns Wharf and Sola Street, and on Cabrillo Boulevard between East Beach and the Harbor. The City shall provide the District a subsidy under the following terms and conditions:

- a) The City shall provide to the District an hourly subsidy determined by the audited cost per revenue hour to the District for the previous fiscal year. This amount may be adjusted upward, but not beyond, the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) reported for the January immediately before the start of the service year, compared to the Base Index described below. Adjustments may not be automatic and require approval of the City Administrator. CPI increases in excess of 5 percent shall require the District and the City to meet and confer about the hourly subsidy amount. The adjusted amount will become the new hourly subsidy. However, the subsidy may not be lower than the hourly subsidy paid in the previous year. The Consumer Price Index to be used shall be the U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, All Items, for Los Angeles - Long Beach - Anaheim (1982-84 = 100). The Base Index shall be such Consumer Price Index, as reported for January of each year.
- b) For the period of May 23, 2026, to Labor Day weekend of 2026, the City shall provide to the District an hourly subsidy per revenue hour not to exceed \$204.45 for operation of the Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle, as determined by the methodology described in 1.a) above.
- c) For each fiscal year thereafter, the hourly subsidy and billing rate shall be adjusted as described in Section 1.a) above upon approval of the City Administrator.

- d) For requests by the City for additional service on behalf of a third party, such as cruise lines, etc., the hourly subsidy and billing rate shall be adjusted as described in Sections 1.b) and 1.c) above.
- e) The District shall apply the estimated fare box revenue from the prior month as a credit to the monthly invoices, thereby reducing the City's financial responsibility for the services specified herein.
- f) The City shall make payments to the District as provided in Section 6.

2. The District's Right Not to Perform a Service Where Subsidy Is Not Provided

The District is not required to perform any service for which a subsidy is not provided as is specified under the terms, conditions, and limitations provided herein.

3. The District's Discretion Over Services

The District shall be responsible for developing routes, hours of operation, days of operation, and headways appropriate to maintain such services. The District shall retain sole responsibility and full discretion for the planning, management, administration, maintenance, and operation of such services, including hours, location, headways, equipment, personnel, advertising, and services; however, the District shall notify and confer with City staff prior to making any changes to routes, schedules, hours of operation, headways, or equipment. The District may provide such services with District personnel and resources, through third party contracts for all or part of such services, or by other agreements, at the sole discretion of the District. The District shall each year conduct any and all necessary public hearings to develop the routes, days, hours, headways, and methods of operation appropriate for such service.

4. Annual Report

The District shall provide an annual report on the Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle to the City by December 31 of each year or as soon thereafter as feasible, stating total fares collected, ridership, and actual revenue hours.

5. Air Emission Credits

Any air emission credits (under the Clean Air Act, under any California regulations, and under any regulations of the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District) which are generated or available by reason of the use of EVs shall be credited to the District. The District shall assess the reasonable value of such air emissions credits, record their development and value, and keep account of the value of such credits on a generally recognized accounting basis.

6. City Payment Provisions and District Recordkeeping

The City shall pay subsidy payments monthly to the District in response to invoices in the usual City format, approved by the City Administrator. The payments shall be made within sixty days of receipt of the District's invoice. The District shall keep and maintain financial records of all services that receive such subsidy on a generally recognized accounting basis. The District shall maintain such records for at least five years following the date such services were provided. All such financial records shall be made available to City agents and employees for review and audit during regular business hours. The District shall provide the City with a written annual report describing and quantifying the services that have received a subsidy for the preceding year, with a detailed report of all the costs of the services provided.

7. Adjustments to Services

Any changes, adjustments, increases, reductions or losses of service by reason of new or lost funding sources shall be on the basis of the hourly rate described in the appropriate section of this Agreement of qualifying shuttle service or other service subsidized by the City. Any increase in the number of service hours provided will be based upon costs approved in writing by the District General Manager and the City Administrator. Changes in service, operational provisions, specifications, schedules, fares, and location of services, required to meet unforeseen changes in demand, unforeseen funding restrictions, or the availability of additional funds for enhanced service shall be made on 90 days' advance written notice.

8. City Funding Not Guaranteed

The obligation of the City to provide funds hereunder shall be subject to the condition that funds for said services are approved in applicable budgets and appropriated to the City for such services, and subject, further, to the receipt of such funds for use as provided herein. In the event that the City notifies the District by the end of November that funding for the following fiscal year is insufficient to provide annual hours of service that fall within the range in Section 1 above, District shall work cooperatively with City staff in December to develop a mutually agreeable solution for the following fiscal year.

9. Termination

The City reserves the right to terminate the service described in Section 1 of this agreement for any reason upon written notice to District of at least 90 days' written notice to District of any such decision. District reserves the right to suspend and/or terminate the service described in Section 1 at any time for any reason upon written notice to the City of at least 90 days.

10. Notices

All notices, approvals, acceptances, demands and other communications required or permitted hereunder, to be effective shall be in writing and shall be delivered either in person or by mailing the same by United States mail (postage prepaid, registered or certified, return receipt requested) or by Federal Express or other similar overnight

delivery service to the party to whom the notice is directed at the address of such party as follows:

Santa Barbara MTD
General Manager
550 Olive Street
Santa Barbara, California 93101

City of Santa Barbara
Santa Barbara City Administrator
City Hall, 735 Anacapa Street
P.O. Box 1990
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Any written communication given by mail shall be deemed delivered two (2) business days after such mailing date and any written communication given by overnight delivery service shall be deemed delivered one (1) business day after the dispatch date. Either party may change its address by giving the other party written notice of its new address as herein provided.

11. No Third-Party Beneficiary Intended

Nothing herein is intended to confer any rights or remedies, express or implied, under or by reason of this document on any persons other than the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns, nor is anything in this document intended to relieve or discharge the obligations or liability of any third persons to any party hereto, nor shall any provision give any third persons any right or subrogation or action over or against any party.

12. Indemnification by City of Santa Barbara

City of Santa Barbara shall, indemnify, defend and hold Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District, and Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District's agents, officers and employees, harmless from and against all claims, damages, losses, causes of action and expenses, including attorneys' fees, for any personal injury, bodily injury, loss of life or damage to property, violation of any federal, state or municipal law, ordinance or constitutional provision, or other cause which arise out of, relate to, or result from the activities or omissions, negligent or otherwise, under this Agreement.

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Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District shall indemnify, defend and hold City of Santa Barbara, and City of Santa Barbara's agents, officers and employees, harmless from and against all claims, damages, losses, causes of action and expenses, including attorneys' fees, for any personal injury, bodily injury, loss of life or damage to property, violation of any federal, state or municipal law, ordinance or constitutional provision, or other cause which arise out of, relate to, or result from the activities or omissions, negligent or otherwise, under this Agreement.

14. No Agency

Except as otherwise specified herein, for the purposes of this section, City of Santa Barbara shall not be deemed to be Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District's agent

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15. Notification

Each party shall give the other prompt notification when it first learns of an incident or occurrence covered, or likely to be covered, under the terms of this indemnity provision, as well as prompt notification if a claim is made or suit is brought against a party based on an incident or occurrence covered, or likely to be covered, by the terms hereof.

16. Continuing Obligation

To the extent that the City of Santa Barbara has agreed to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District, its officers, agents and employees under this Agreement, said obligations shall continue to exist during the term of this Agreement and subsequent to this Agreement for those acts or omissions giving rise to liability which occurred during this Agreement.

To the extent that Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District has agreed to indemnify, defend and hold harmless City of Santa Barbara, its officers, agents and employees under this Agreement, said obligations shall continue to exist during the term of this Agreement and subsequent to this Agreement for those acts or omissions giving rise to liability which occurred during this Agreement.

17. Term of Agreement

The term of this agreement shall be May 23, 2026, through June 30, 2031.

18. Insurance

Each party recognizes and accepts the other party is self-insured. Either party may purchase commercial insurance to cover their exposure hereunder, in whole or in part.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Transportation Management and Transit Services Master Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
a Municipal Corporation

SANTA BARBARA METROPOLITAN
TRANSIT DISTRICT

By _____

By _____

Kelly McAdoo
City Administrator

Jerry Estrada
General Manager
550 Olive Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
John S. Doimas
City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By _____

By _____

Trevor Large
MTD Counsel

Arielle Zamora
Deputy City Attorney



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MEETING DATE: APRIL 7, 2026 **AGENDA ITEM #: 11**

TYPE: ACTION ITEM

PREPARED BY: DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION NANCY TILLIE

REVIEWED BY: GENERAL MANAGER JERRY ESTRADA

SUBJECT: ADVANCE AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO A DEBT INSTRUMENT AGREEMENT WITH FARMERS & MERCHANT'S BANK IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$12,000,000, FOR THE PURCHASE OF EIGHT HEAVY DUTY BATTERY ELECTRIC BUSES.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board grant the General Manager advance authority to enter into a debt instrument agreement with Farmers & Merchants bank to provide for a "Specific Use" Line of Credit in an amount of up to \$12,000,000, for the purpose of funding the purchase of Eight (8) Heavy Duty Battery Electric Buses, for a period of time until the grant reimbursements are received; and designate the current Authorized Agents, pursuant to the Master Company Resolution Number 2026-01, adopted by the Board of Directors, January 20, 2026, to effectuate transactions under this agreement.

DISCUSSION:

Background: The District entered into a Contract with Gillig, LLC in July 2024, subsequent to June 4, 2024, Board Meeting Approval, for the purchase Eight (8) Heavy Duty Battery Electric Buses and associated Charging Equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$14,596,832. Capital grant funding had already been secured to pay for the purchase, however the funding condition is reimbursement, meaning the grantor will need to have the invoice with proof of payment from the District in order to release funding. There could be a lag time of up to 60 days to receive the reimbursement after payment. A significant portion of the Charging equipment has already been received, totaling \$1,000,000 for which payment needs to be made within the next 35 days. The 8 buses are scheduled to arrive within the next 45 days. Payment in full is be due within 45 days of equipment acceptance. The District does not have the total purchase cash on hand and has approached Farmers & Merchants Bank to provide short term financing as a bridge to receiving the grant funds, proactively to prevent any Operating Cash Flow availability.

Advance Authority: Providing the General Manager authority to sign the debt instrument and the a designation for the existing Authorized Agents, (Jerry Estrada, General Manager, Mary Gregg, Chief Operating Officer/Assistant General Manager, and Nancy Tillie, Director of Finance &

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Administration) to carry out these narrowly scoped transactions will achieve payments being made on time, eliminate any strain on Operating Cash Flow, and provide a buffer for any delays in funding. The terms of the “Specific Use” Line of Credit are as follows:

- Use – Financing the Acquisition of Battery Electric Buses
- Loan Amount: \$12 Million (based on 8 buses)
- Term: 12 Months
- Rate: 30 Day Secured Overnight Fed Rate (SOFR) +2.25% with a floor of 5.50%
 - SOFR is currently @ 3.65% (rate would be 5.9%)
- Loan Fee: \$1,500 per bus advance
- Prepayment Penalty: None
- Document Fee: \$1,000 (one time)
- A UCC Filing would be made until the financing paid in full

Business Lines of Credit in this dollar range are not widely available. A survey of other lenders shows interest rates demonstrating Farmers & Merchants Bank’s rate is fair and reasonable.

Lender	Starting Annual Percentage Rate (APR)
Bank of America	8.25%
Wells Fargo	8.5%
TD Bank	8.0%

Operating Guidelines: District Staff will be managing cash flow to recommend drawdown of loan funds only when necessary. Grant requests for reimbursements will be sent as soon for collection as possible. Loan Repayments will be made from grant reimbursements as soon as they are received to retire the debt and reduce interest cost.

To: MTD Board of Directors
From: Jerry Estrada, General Manager
Date: April 7, 2026
Subject: General Manager's Report

Operations and Fleet Maintenance

MTD Operations personnel were on site for the duration of Santa Barbara Police Department's SWAT division's annual team training at the Santa Barbara Airport. As part of their training course, SWAT utilized an MTD bus to simulate hostage situations.

Operations Manager Manny Castanon, along with Operations Department Training Supervisors, attended a virtual meeting of the Transit Instructors Network, led by San Diego Metropolitan Transit Systems and Orange County Transit Authority. The meeting covered several topics including DMV Employer Testing Program and updates to Examiner processes, and training student operators on safe bus stop approach procedures and freeway driving.

Congratulations to Operator Dominiques Winston for successfully completing training and being released to drive in revenue service as of March 30th.

Mechanic James Dunning recently completed part three of a four-part HVAC training series at the MCI Training Academy in Louisville, Kentucky. The course, HVAC 301, focuses on all aspects of servicing a bus's HVAC system. Mechanics learn how to evacuate and recharge refrigerant, pressure test systems, perform leak detection tests, repair leaks, silver solder joints, replace components without evacuating the entire system, and properly check superheat. The Academy's program is accredited by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence.

Capital Projects

Haley Canopy ZEV Infrastructure Improvements Project

Smith MEP has completed all of the work in their base scope and received the final permit from the City of Santa Barbara. Smith is now working on addressing punch list items. ChargePoint sent a crew to Terminal 1 the week of March 16 to commission all of the charging equipment. After ChargePoint commissioning, MTD's maintenance team has been testing the charging equipment with MTD's New Flyer battery-electric buses to ensure all of the new charging hardware is functioning properly. The project is now in the closeout phase.

Acquisition of 8 Gillig Battery Electric Buses and Chargers (TIRCP)

All eight of the first order of Gillig battery-electric buses have entered the production line at Gillig's factory in Livermore, California. Due to minor supply chain issues delivery of the first few buses is delayed, and they are now anticipated by mid-April. MTD's Fleet and Facilities Manager, Nolan Robertson, visited the Gillig factory on March 20 and had an opportunity to review MTD's buses in production and meet with MTD's bus inspector.

Finance & Administration

The Biennial Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Report was filed. The Fiscal Year 2025 Audited Financial and Single Audit Reports have been finalized and submitted to the appropriate agencies in compliance with all required deadlines. No material weaknesses or deficiencies were identified.

Procurement has issued the Solicitation for Financial and Single Audit Services. An Inventory Audit Service Agreement has been awarded to MSI. The Request for Proposal is being issued for Risk Management Insurance Services. The Renewable Diesel Fuel Bid date has been extended for one month to allow time for potential price stabilization.

Information Technologies has completed work on Haley Canopy Project which included the installation of a new switch in the electrical room. The team also coordinated with the contractor and construction team to incorporate cellular boosters, audio speakers and antennas to improve communication within the bus yard.

Planning & Marketing

MTD's 12th Annual Youth Art Poster Contest is running through the end of April, and this year's theme is Ocean Buses. Students in grades 1 through 6 compete for prizes and the opportunity to have their art displayed throughout the MTD fleet for a year.

Community outreach meetings for proposed service changes have been set for the month of April and will be held in Carpinteria, Goleta, Santa Barbara, and on a live webinar. Further details on community engagement efforts can be found at sbmtd.gov/servicechanges.

Human Resources

MTD celebrated Transit Employee Appreciation Day on March 18, 2027. Passenger cards celebrating Bus Operators were distributed to our Drivers, highlighting MTD's commitment to customer service.

Property, Earthquake, and Equipment Breakdown coverages will renew in May 2026 and costs premiums will be included in the fiscal year 2026-2027 budget.



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MEETING DATE: APRIL 7, 2026 **AGENDA ITEM #:** 13

TYPE: INFORMATIONAL ITEM

PREPARED BY: CLERK OF THE BOARD ROSA GONZALEZ

REVIEWED BY: GENERAL MANAGER JERRY ESTRADA

SUBJECT: ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 1234 ETHICS AND SENATE BILL (SB) 827
FISCAL & FINANCIAL TRAINING

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board receive an overview of mandatory AB 1234 Ethics and SB 827 Fiscal & Financial training.

DISCUSSION:

Effective January 1, 2026, SB 827 expanded existing ethics training requirements and established a new fiscal & financial training mandate that applies to members of the Board (Board), elected officials, appointed officials involved in financial oversight, and executive-level or management staff responsible for fiscal administration or use of public resources. These requirement expansions of training obligations for the Board and staff are intended to promote good governance, fiscal accountability, and transparency.

The fiscal and financial training is intended to enhance oversight of public funds and includes budgeting, financial administration, budgeting, reporting, capital financing, debt management, pensions, cash management and investments, fiscal and financial planning, procurement and contracting, and related laws.

The ethics training requirement, previously applicable primarily to elected officials and members of legislative bodies receiving compensation or reimbursement, now also applies to department heads and similar administrative officers. Ethics training is designed to help understand and follow the laws that promote honest and transparent government. The training explains the types of financial interests, relationships, and activities that may be restricted or require disclosure or stepping away from decisions. It encourages officials to avoid prohibited actions, meet all disclosure and conflict-of-interest requirements, and seek guidance from legal counsel or appropriate agencies such as the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) when unsure. The course also emphasizes that these laws set the minimum standard for ethical behavior, and that the public often expects an even higher level of integrity. In addition, it outlines the potential legal and professional consequences of violations and uses real-life examples to show how the rules apply in everyday situations.

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It is important to note training completed for one agency may be used to satisfy requirements for multiple agencies, provided proof of completion documentation is submitted.

Compliance Deadlines:

TRAINING	BEGAN SERVICE BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2026	BEGAN SERVICE ON/AFTER JANUARY 1, 2026	RETAKE
Ethics (AB 1234)	Continue existing biennial cycle	within six months of commencing service/position	every two years
Fiscal & Financial (SB 827)	Complete by January 1, 2028	within six months of commencing service/position	every two years

Administrative Requirements:

SB 827 also establishes additional administrative and transparency obligations, including:

- Maintenance of training records (containing completion date and provider) for a minimum of five years.
- Provide annual notification to all covered officials and employees regarding training requirements.
- Posting information on MTD’s website by July 1, 2026 containing information how the public may request access to training records.

MTD does not anticipate additional training expenses due to the FPPC and various professional memberships such as the California Special Districts Association now offering free in person or online training to members.

Staff will continue to coordinate training resources, monitor compliance, and ensure adherence to all statutory requirements.