

STAFF REPORT

DATE: March 27, 2023

TO: Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors

FROM: Henry Li, General Manager/CEO

SUBJ: GENERAL MANGER'S REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

No Recommendation - For Information Only.

Major Project Updates

Oral Report

SacRT Meeting Calendar

Regional Transit Board Meeting

April 10, 2023 SacRT Auditorium / Webconference 5:30 P.M

Quarterly Retirement Board Meeting

June 14, 2023 SacRT Auditorium / Webconference 9:00 A.M

Mobility Advisory Council Meeting

April 6, 2023 SacRT Auditorium / Webconference 2:30 P.M

Light Rail Modernization Update

SacRT is in the process of updating the light rail network with its Light Rail Modernization Project. This project will modernize the light rail system with new low-floor light rail vehicles, updated station platforms and a "passing track" in Folsom to provide 15-minute service to Folsom area stations.

The first phase of construction work is currently underway to modify 14 light rail stations between 59th Street and Sacramento Valley stations to accommodate the height requirements for the new low-floor light rail trains.

A total of 48 additional station platforms, 15 Gold Line stations between University/65th Street and Historic Folsom stations, and 19 Blue Line stations, will still need to be modified in the next phase of construction.

The first three new low-floor light rail trains, which were built at Siemens Mobility in south Sacramento, were delivered this month. This is the first of 28 trains that Siemens is currently building for SacRT. The contract with Siemens includes options for the purchase of up to 76 light rail vehicles. This first low-floor train will go through a rigorous testing process before it can be put into revenue service with passengers onboard. SacRT expects to have the station conversions and low-floor trains ready for service by summer 2024.

Construction for the Folsom passing track is expected to break ground in summer 2023 and be completed by spring 2024. Upon project completion, trains will arrive in, and depart from, Historic Folsom Station every 15 minutes. Learn more about the light rail modernization project at sacrt.com/modernization.

SacRT Bus Stop Improvement Plan

SacRT partnered with Civic Thread, a local non-profit planning and advocacy organization, to host a series of community workshops to better understand the conditions and accessibility of SacRT bus stops around the Sacramento region. SacRT and Civic Thread thank members of the public who submitted comments.

As of February 28, 2023, the Final Bus Stop Improvement Plan is now available for public review: Final Bus Stop Improvement Plan – February 28, 2023

Stockton Boulevard Bus Stop Survey

SacRT is working on a Stockton Boulevard Bus Stop Implementation Plan, which is studying bus stops along Stockton Boulevard, SacRT's highest ridership corridor, to support existing ridership and encourage new ridership by making transit service along the corridor more accessible and equitable, and by providing greater mobility to underserved communities.

Through this effort we are identifying projects at existing bus stops along the Stockton Boulevard from Alhambra Blvd to Elsie Ave to improve safety, accessibility, and ridership along Stockton Boulevard. Community engagement will help identify needs of specific bus stops along Stockton Blvd and guide where future funding will be implemented. The goal is to help identify needs at the bus stops along Stockton Boulevard.

Community input was previously received from the Spotlight on Stockton Boulevard event on October 8th, 2022. The input received from this survey will be combined with the input received from the Spotlight on Stockton Boulevard to inform project results.

<u>Take the online survey</u>, which is open through Thursday, April 13, 2023.

Celebrating 50 Years

Saturday, April 1, 2023, marks SacRT's 50th anniversary of operation, and we're celebrating this important milestone by looking back at our history and celebrating what is still to come.

Fifty years ago, on April 1, 1973, the Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) began operation, taking over for the City owned Sacramento Transit Authority.

In celebration, SacRT will also host a series of celebratory pop-up events at different locations across the region during the month of April and roll out a special 50th Anniversary edition bus and train that will be in service starting in April.

Help us celebrate this major milestone. Do you have a favorite SacRT transit memory over the years that you want to share, let us know! We will have opportunities for people to share their fun stories at our pop-up events, on our website and on social media, where storytellers will be entered to win prizes.

Check <u>sacrt.com/50years</u> in the coming weeks for more information.

Customer Service Update

Presentation