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**DATE:** August 26, 2024  
**TO:** Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Priscilla Vargas, ADA Compliance Officer  
**SUBJ:** MOBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY – JULY 18, 2024

## RECOMMENDATION

No Recommendation - For Information Only.

## SUMMARY

The following is a summary of the Mobility Advisory Council Meeting (MAC) Meeting held on July 18, 2024. Full Meeting Minutes and previous MAC Meeting Minutes can be found at [www.sacrt.com/sacramento-regional-transit-mobility-advisory-council/](http://www.sacrt.com/sacramento-regional-transit-mobility-advisory-council/)

### **Item 1. Call to Order**

### **Item 2. Introduction of Council Members and Staff**

### **Item 3. Approval of Minutes**

### **Item 4. Public Comment**

- Jeff Tardaguila asked about disabled riders not being picked up due to heat, and fare boxes not working due to heat.

### **Item 5. Chair Report**

- A. Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) Cycle 7 Grant Application: Mr. Greiner read a letter signed by Mr. Thom on behalf of the MAC, which staff would send to Secretary Toks Omashakin as support for SacRT's TIRCP grant application.

### **Item 6. Old Business**

- A. Siemens Low Floor Vehicle Project
1. Public Education Communication Plan for S700 Trains: Jessica Gonzalez, Director, Marketing and Public Communications reported that invites to the August 17 event for riders with disabilities will be sent. The "How to Ride S700" videos are on YouTube, and the version with audio description should be available next week
  2. Tactile Door Striping at Light Rail Station Platforms: Craig Norman, Director, Engineering & Construction, reported that platform modification has been underway, but before S700 vehicles can be put into service, door indicator tiles must be installed. Ms. Flohr asked who would be responsible for helping riders find the new door indicator tiles; Mr. Norman said this would be transit ambassadors.
  3. S700 LRV Project Implementation Response to Public Feedback, Activation Strip to Deploy Ramp: Henry Ikwut-Ukwa, Vice President Capital Projects discussed the

activation switch issue raised by Ms. O’Connell; staff found from Siemens that it was not feasible to move the switch because of engineering issues and the risk of accidental activation. Staff reached out to other agencies and regarding the switch.

4. S700 LRV Update: Anthony DiCristofano, Assistant Vice President Operations, reported that the ramp deployment tone is not audible from the outside, so he discussed with Siemens and found that Portland has adopted a means to address this issue. By dropping the speaker into a lower section of the door pocket, the audio tone can be heard outside the LRV. Staff will implement this as soon as possible.

Craig Norman, Director, Engineering & Construction reported that staff researched between-car barriers and found that they are required on elevated level-boarding platforms, which are 14 inches; SacRT’s new platforms are only 8 inches. Per California regulations, the door indicator tiles serve the same purpose. This item will continue to be discussed in a future a meeting.

Michael Cormiae, Director, Light Rail Maintenance, discussed the height of the priority seating. Per APTA guidelines, seats are designed to be comfortable for riders from 5th to 95th percentile height. The S700 priority area seat height is satisfactory.

- B. SacRT GO Quarterly Update: Richard Mitchell, Director, Community & Contract Bus Services, reported on SacRT GO and UZURV ridership and On-Time Performance. Ms. O’Connell asked about what SacRT is doing to retain operators. Mr. Mitchell said bargaining with ATU is ongoing and Staff will update the MAC upon completion.

## **Item 7. New Business**

## **Item 8. Other Business**

## **Item 9. Announcements/Council Members Request for Information**

- Ms. Brink announced that there will be a virtual meeting of the ACB Capitol Chapter, California Council of the Blind, along with the National Federation of the Blind River City Chapter this Saturday, in order to hear a presentation from the City of Sacramento on their ADA transition planning process.
- Mr. Lozano requested that Mr. Mitchell present the MAC with an update in the August or September meeting on UZURV GPS.
- Ms. Vargas will address this. Mr. Tardaguila said that tomorrow, SacMoves will have a meeting on the transit tax measure.

## **Item 10. Adjournment**

- The next meeting of the Mobility Advisory Council is scheduled for August 15, 2024, from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

