

STAFF REPORT

DATE: November 18, 2024
TO: Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors
FROM: Blanca Araujo, VP, Operations
SUBJ: MOBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY – OCTOBER 17, 2024

RECOMMENDATION

No Recommendation - For Information Only.

SUMMARY

The following is a summary of the Mobility Advisory Council Meeting (MAC) held on October 17, 2024. Full Meeting Minutes and previous MAC Meeting Minutes can be found at 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

- Mr. Tardaguila shared that a light rail vehicle ramp failed to deploy and a train dropped him off at a station without a ramp; he suggested using the 13th Street station for removing trains for maintenance.

Item 5. Chair Report

- Mr. Thom reported that the MAC will start developing the 2025 Work Plan. Mr. Thom also shared the proposed 2025 meeting calendar.

Item 6. Old Business

- A. **SmaRT RIDE Update:** James Drake, Planning, Senior Planner discussed the planned replacement for SmaRT Ride. The new service will be operated by Via, it will cover the same zones as SmaRT Ride, but it will be limited to riders with disabilities and low income. A registration process will be developed and outsourced to Via. This program may have a soft launch in December 2024.
- B. **Watt/I-80 Transit Center Improvement Project Update:** Jenny Niello, Principal Civil Engineer reported that Thompson Builders completed stage 1 of construction. Stage 2 will include completing the lower plaza. Stage 3 is on hold due to a fiber optic line to replace the median on Watt Ave. Stage 4-A will include reconstructing

the west side of Watt Ave and constructing the bus plaza. Remaining stages will begin next year.

- C. Website Accessibility Project Update: Priscilla Vargas, ADA Compliance Officer, Federico Raimondo and Vinod Pabba, Exemplifi provided an update on the website accessibility project. There will be a preliminary link to the website sent to the MAC for testing. The website should launch sometime in January.
- D. S700 LRV Post Launch Update: Anthony DiCristofano, Assistant Vice President, and Michael Cormiae, Director Light Rail Maintenance provided an update on the S700 light rail fleet. There are 16 S700 trains currently in service, 4 are still in testing, and 1 new train will arrive in November.
- E. SacRT GO 1st Quarter Operations Update: Kathy Sachen, Paratransit Operations Manager presented SacRT GO's 1st Quarter Operations. On time performance fell to 80% in September due to a high number of COVID cases along with school start up. Driver hiring continues. Ridership has increased to close to 1,400 trips on weekdays.

Item 7. New Business

Item 8. Other Business

Item 9. Announcements/Council Members Request for Information

- Mr. Tardaguila announced a Sacramento County/Department of Aging hearing session and the Oak Park Community Center on November 14, 2024. Ms. Sachen mentioned the Sacramento International Airport renovation project, paratransit stops will remain, and she is working with the County to develop a fixed-route transit hub.