



san Luis OBispo transit

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO MASS TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

990 Palm Street

Council Hearing Room

2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 13, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

Chair calls the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND STAFF

Chair: Susan Rains

Vice-Chair: Denise Martinez

Committee Members:

Denise Martinez	(Disabled)	Margaret Crockett	(Member at Large)*
Susan Rains	(Cal Poly)	OPEN	(Alternate)
Tracey Amundson	(Student)	OPEN	(Technical)
Stanley Yucikas	(Business)	Elizabeth Thyne	(Alternate)
Robert Wolf	(Senior)		

Staff: John Webster, Sr., Transit Manager
Tim Bochum, Deputy Director of Public Works
Dee Lawson, Transportation Assistant

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Introduction of First Transit new resident manager, Steve Aanonson

PUBLIC COMMENTS

10 min.

At this time, members of the public may address the Committee on items not on the agenda, **not to exceed three minutes per person**. Items raised are generally referred to the staff and, if action by the committee is necessary, may be scheduled for a future meeting.

The Chair will provide the opportunity for the public to address items on the agenda.

Service Complaints: Complaints regarding bus service or routes are to be directed to the Transportation Assistant at 781-7531. Reports of complaints/commendations are available to the public upon request.

A. CONSENT ITEMS

Consent Items can be approved by a single vote by the Committee. Any member of the Committee can pull and discuss any individual consent item.

A-1 Approval of March 11, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes 5 min

B. DISCUSSION ITEMS

B-1 State, Federal and SLORTA budget funding update 15 min

B-2 Bike information video (Member request) 10 min

C. ACTION ITEMS

C-1 MTC Bylaw changes (City Clerk-Audrey Hooper) 10 min

C-2 Update on approved American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Program of Project s. 10 min

D. INFORMATION ITEMS

D-1 Transit Manager's Report (with attachments) 15 min.

D-2 Operating - Performance Reports (Attachment "A") 15 min.

MEMBER'S COMMENTS 10 min

NEXT MEETING DATE/LOCATION

July 8, 2009 Council Hearing Room

ADJOURNMENT



Item: A-1

TO: Mass Transportation Committee

FROM: John Webster, Transit Manager

SUBJECT: APPROVE DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve March 11, 2009 MTC Regular meeting minutes

**CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
MASS TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
COUNCIL HEARING ROOM
995 PALM ST.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Susan Rains called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Susan Rains, D. Gregg Doyle, Denise Martinez, Margaret Crockett,
Robert Wolf, Elizabeth Thyne, and Stanley Yucikas

Absent: Kathy Howard

Vacant: Student

Staff: John Webster, Dee Lawson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rita Nelson, senior citizen bus rider, requested the following concerns be addressed: smoking banned near public bus stops, banning non-emergency cell phone use on the bus, denying access to riders who are drunk or pose a public nuisance, and controlling the volume on the automatic bus stop announcement speakers better as on some buses they are very loud..

Staff and the MTC discussed her concerns. Mr. Webster noted that cell phones were already banned but that was hard for drivers to enforce, drivers did have restriction guidelines regarding disorderly conduct. On the subject of automatic bus stop announcements drivers cannot adjust the volume but can turn it off and make manual announcements until the bus is repaired.

Wes Carlson, ASI Board member, discussed proposed reductions to evening service and outlined the numerous student benefit and present an ASI resolution #09-03 in support of evening service.

Matt Tracy, ASI Student Government member, reported that surveyed students overwhelmingly favored keeping the evening service.

MTC discussed general modifications to evening service and staff noted there are no plans to reduce service during the remainder of the fiscal year which ends on June 30, 2009.

A. CONSENT ITEMS

A-1. Approval of January 14, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes and February 18, 2009 Special Meeting Minutes

It was noted that the next regular meeting date should read Wednesday, March 11, 2009.

Mr. Yucikas moved to approve the minutes as amended.

Mr. Doyle seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

B. DISCUSSION ITEMS

B-1. State, Federal and SLORTA budget funding update

Mr. Webster noted the State eliminated State Transportation Assistance (STA) funds for FY 2009-2010 as this was about 105k due in the FY but had been frozen at 50% paid to the jurisdictions. For the Local Transportation Funds (LTF) which is generated by the retail sales tax the FY 2009-2010 amount had not been determined ; \$1,323,660 was received from the Federal 5307 ARRA stimulus package; RTA will use about \$300K for Capital Projects improvements with \$1,023,660 for SLO Transit. Staff is also waiting for the decision regarding SLORTTA operations and maintenance contract award and whether they will use a contractor or go "IN House". In any case it appears that their expected FY 2009-2010 budget will be increasing and due to the JPA funding agreement that it might have a sever impact on available LTF funds for SLO Transit.

B-2. Smoking at bus stops

Mr. Webster discussed municipal codes regarding smoking prohibitions and stated staff was working with the city attorney to clarify some of the language.

Mr. Doyle suggested the language just clearly state no smoking 25' from all bus stops.

Mr. Webster agreed to bring the item back for further discussion after getting additional information from the City Attorney.

B-3. Fare modification information

Mr. Webster discussed the modifications and pass information as well as ridership details, noting the fare revenues were up about 12%. He stated that there is a Council public hearing set for April 21, 2007 and will send more info via email at a later date.

C. ACTION ITEMS

C-1. MTC Bylaw changes

Mr. Webster discussed council and staff-generated proposed changes that were part of the agenda package and requested that the MTC accept the changes as an amendment.

Mr. Doyle stated the elections should be more open, referencing "April or May" to allow flexibility of meeting schedules. He also felt Cal Poly and Technical Members eligibility should not have to be limited to San Luis Obispo proper, citing that the pool of qualified technical members is very small and not all would live in the city.

Mr. Doyle moved to accept the proposed amendments, adding further *under Article 2,) Technical and Cal Poly MTC representatives should be exempt from residency restrictions, and under Article 6, A) elections may be held in April or May*

Ms. Thyne seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Yucikas mentioned he did not think there should be term limits on MTC appointments.

C-2. ARRA Program of Projects

Mr. Webster discussed the Central UZA meeting, but reported he did not have final recommendations for projects or amounts available at this time. SLO Transit will have \$1,023,660 to use with \$300,000 going to SLORTA for their capital projects. He discussed the POP list with estimated numbers and stated that due to short timelines the projects and amounts will be finalized by staff and expected to go to Council on April 7, 2009 for a public hearing. The public hearing results will be on the May MTC agenda. Some of the projects being discussed will use existing FTA5307 or Prop 1B funding and

are informational in nature to provide the committee with what kind of funding and projects are anticipated.

1. **EDAPTS Replacement:** estimated at \$405,000 with ARRA FTA 5307
2. **Augment Existing FTA Grant:** estimated at \$375,000 with Prop 1B
3. **Transit Facility fuel tank:** estimated at \$100,000 with ARRA FTA 5307
4. **GFI Fare Box upgrade:** estimated at \$300,000 using ARRA FTA 5307
5. **Trunking Radio system:** estimated at \$100,000 using ARRA FTA 5307
6. **BRT signal timing:** No funds available
7. **Preventive Maintenance:** estimated at \$100,000 using ARRA FTA 5307
8. **Cal Poly Bus stop project:** Use existing grant monies.
9. **Bus Stop Improvements:** Use existing grant monies.
10. **Trolley replacement:** No funds available
11. **Transit Facility improvements/transit staff vehicles:** estimated at \$6,000 using ARRA FTA 5307 grant monies left

Mr. Webster stated he will bring back final ARRA/POP information from the public hearing for the next meeting and that the final amounts and projects will very likely change after additional discussion with staff.

D. INFORMATION ITEMS

D-1. Transit Manager's report

D-2. Operating-Performance reports

Mr. Webster noted ridership was increased and presented highlight discussion:

- **Contractor issues**
- **Contractor Liquidated Damages**
- **SRTP Update status**
- **Bus Replacement**
- **Implicit Purchase Pooling Solutions National Joint Vehicle Cooperative Procurement Pilot Project (CPPP)**
- **Surplus vehicles**
- **SLORTA.**
- **Transit Operators Group meeting**
- **Region Wide Fare Improvement study**
- **Prop 1B 2008-09 cycle**
- **Capital Projects** – The following projects are under evaluation using FTA 5307 Stimulus American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Program funds:
 - DRI-live time AVL and internet passenger access system replacing
 - the existing EDAPTS
 - Augment Bus Procurement for hybrid or double deck style bus
 - Transit Facility fuel tank installation
 - Bus Farebox upgrade-GFI Odyssey models

- Bus radio trunking system
- BRT-signal timing
- Preventive Maintenance
- Cal Poly Bus stops
- Trolley replacement
- Transit staff vehicle replacement and facility modifications

• **Various SLO Transit System reports-information**

MEMBER COMMENTS

Ms. Martinez stated she thought that drivers should be more proactive in dealing with disorderly intoxicated riders.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, May 13, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. in the Council Hearing Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Woske, Recording Secretary



Item: B-1

TO: Mass Transportation Committee

FROM: John Webster, Transit Manager

SUBJECT: STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING UPDATES

Background

Staff will provide updated information regarding anticipated State funding reductions, SLORTA Operation and Maintenance budgets, and FTA 5307 apportionment.

Discussion

Possible affects on FY 2009-10 SLO Transit Service AND Capital projects

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Item: B-2
TO: Mass Transportation Committee
FROM: John Webster, Transit Manager
SUBJECT: BIKE INFORMATION VIDEO

Background

MTC Member Stanley Yucikas thought the following link would be beneficial if there was time for the MTC members to view this short you tube video regarding biking in Copenhagen at the next meeting. This segment is the first segment in a series of five (5) videos entitled “A Billion Bikes”.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ibCcp0Y3OB0&feature=related>

I especially like the part with the filled bike racks around 1:47 and 3:26

The remaining links are:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-0CoL51K00M&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=99LhLZEP7z4&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uMSWq6yXYW4&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2zzHAXIaZ-A&feature=related>



Item: C-1
TO: Mass Transportation Committee
FROM: John Webster, Transit Manager

SUBJECT: MTC BYLAW CHANGES

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

1. Review and approve additional MTC By-law change as proposed

Background

In accordance with Council regulations, each advisory body is required to review its By-laws on a biennial basis. This review is due in 2009. At the same time, Council is asking the members of the MTC to incorporate the revisions included in the attached legislative draft regarding residency requirements. Recommendations were made at the March 11, 2009 meeting and are noted in the minutes.

Discussion

The City Clerk is proposing one additional change with regards to reducing the number of alternates from two to one. This is due to despite their numerous efforts they have not been able to fill the second position.

City Clerk, Audrey Hooper will be available at this meeting to answer questions.

DRAFT BYLAWS

**MASS TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO**

(Revised 7-3-07 Per Resolution No. 9916 2007 Series)

ARTICLE 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Mass Transportation Committee is to advise City staff and the City Council on all matters related to public transportation in San Luis Obispo (buses, trolley, and taxi).

ARTICLE 2. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The Committee has seven voting members, consisting of one Cal Poly employee designated by Cal Poly and one Cal Poly student representative designated by Associated Students, Inc. (ASD); one senior citizen (62 years of age or older); one person from the business community; one person with technical transportation planning experience; one disabled person; one member-at-large, and one student. In addition, when possible, ~~two~~ one Alternate members selected from the general public will be appointed. The Cal Poly representatives are exempt from the residency requirements. All other members must be residents and registered voters of the City.

~~The Mass Transportation Committee shall have seven members and shall consist of one person from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo; one senior citizen; one student representative; one person from the business community; one person with technical transportation planning experience; one disabled person; and one person from the general public.~~

~~In addition to the above seven voting member representatives, the MTC shall have two alternate members selected from the general public.~~

ARTICLE 3. TERMS OF OFFICE

Committee members will be appointed by the City Council to staggered terms of four years. Committee members will serve at the pleasure of the City Council. Any Committee member may be reappointed, providing no appointee serves more than two consecutive terms (8 years). A member who has served 8 years can be reappointed after a one year absence from the Committee.

ARTICLE 4. MEETINGS

- A. The Committee will hold a regular meeting at least quarterly.
- B. The Committee will approve an annual regular meeting schedule by June of each year.
- C. The Committee meetings will be open to the public and held at the Community Development Conference Room, downstairs of Council Hearing Room, City Hall, or other previously announced locations.

Updated 7/3/2007

- D. A quorum will consist of a majority of the established Committee members.
- E. All actions of the Committee will be decided by a majority vote or consensus and will be directed through the committee chair.
- F. Minutes of each meeting will be available as a public record in the Public Works Department.
- G. The Chairperson or any four members of the Committee may call a special meeting, provided that a week's prior notice is given in writing to each member.
- H. All Committee meetings will be conducted in accordance with City practices, customs, and policies. Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, may be used as a guideline.
- I. All members present must vote, except when abstaining due to a declared conflict of interest. A failure or refusal to vote when present (except for a declared conflict of interest) will be construed as an affirmative vote.
- J. Any member with a declared conflict of interest will not vote or participate in any discussion of any item or in any manner attempt to influence the decision on that item.
- K. If, or when a voting member of the MTC is absent from an MTC meeting, one of the Alternate members shall take the place of the voting member in order to maintain as many voting members as possible. If only one voting member of the MTC is absent, choice between the two alternates will be decided by a fair game of chance such as a coin flip or role of the die performed by the Chairperson of the MTC.

ARTICLE 5. SUBCOMMITTEES

Subcommittees consisting of less than a quorum of the Committee can be appointed as needed by the Chairperson.

ARTICLE 6. OFFICERS

- A. The officers will consist of a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson who will be elected at the Committee meeting in ~~June-May~~ for one year terms that commence the first meeting of the next fiscal year.
- B. The Chairperson will preside over all meetings of the Committee, prepare (with the assistance of staff) all meeting agendas and perform such duties as directed by the Committee.

- C. The Vice-Chairperson will serve in the absence or incapacity of the Chairperson.

ARTICLE 7. POLICIES

The Committee adopts policies as stated in the City of San Luis Obispo Advisory Body Handbook, incorporated herein by reference.



Item: C-2
TO: Mass Transportation Committee
FROM: John Webster
SUBJECT: UPDATE on approved 2008-09 Program of Projects (POP) and Prop 1B funding

NEW FEDERAL STIMULUS PROGRAM

I. Overview

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) provides new funding for, among many other categories, public transportation capital projects. This legislation includes three separate capital investment programs for public transportation.

The ARRA includes a total of \$8.4 billion in General Fund dollars for public transportation. Different formulas apply to UZAs with population of 200,000 or more and to UZAs with populations less than 200,000. For UZAs with 50,000 to 199,999 in population like San Luis Obispo, the formula is based solely on population and population density. For UZAs with populations of 200,000 and more, the formula is based on a combination of bus revenue vehicle miles, bus passenger miles, fixed guideway revenue vehicle miles, and fixed guideway route miles, as well as population and population density.

Funding Estimate

Under ARRA, the Federal share of a Transit Capital Assistance grant is up to 100 percent of the net project cost of capital projects in other words no local match is required. The San Luis Obispo Central UZA amount was posted in the Federal Register (Page 9678/vol.74, No.42) on March 5, 2009 in the amount of \$1,323,660.

Development of the Program of Projects

FTA requires a public hearing on the POP using ARRA funds to notify the public how the UZA will spend its FTA grants and provide the public an opportunity to comment on those recommendations. This public hearing is a FTA requirement and will allow the SLO UZA to receive FTA grant reimbursements up to \$1,323,660. The San Luis Obispo Urbanized Zone Area Technical Committee met on March 10, 2009 and approved the ARRA project list and on April 1, 2009 the SLO Council approved the ARRA Program of Projects. (POP)



On April 21, 2009 the SLO Council approved the following Capital projects recommendations

1. Revise the 2008-09 Transit budget to include \$1,749,700 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and Proposition 1B grant funds for additional transit capital projects.
2. Approve the purchase of a “Double Deck” style bus replacement from Alexander Dennis Limited through a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) approved Cooperative Procurement Pilot Program (CPPP).
3. Approve a combination of municipal piggyback procurement through the City of Raleigh NC, and a sole source procurement with Digital Recorders, Inc. for an Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) system.
4. Approve a sole source procurement with GFI Genfare for an electronic farebox upgrade.
5. Authorize the Finance Director to execute Purchase Orders for vehicle acquisition, Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) system, GFI farebox upgrade, and bus stop and facility improvements if costs are within the budgeted amount of \$1,749,700.

ARRA Program of Projects and Prop 1B funding:

1. **EDAPTS Replacement \$405,000:** Digital Recorders Inc (DRI)-Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) and internet passenger access system using live time signage at bus stops and shelters
2. **Augment Existing FTA Grant \$37,500:** Increase existing grant to purchase a high capacity double-deck style bus. This will also use \$475,000 in Prop 1B funds that are not part of the POP.
3. **GFI Fare Box upgrade \$400,000:** Install newer GFI Odyssey model validating style fareboxes on all revenue fleet vehicles.
4. **Preventive Maintenance \$150,000:** Utilize funding to pay for some preventive costs in FY 2009-10
5. **Transit Facility improvements \$69,000:** This project will include Transit facility improvements to equipment such as the existing bus wash, signs, parking lot, office furniture, computers and monitors, etc. Also being evaluated is new equipment installation such as modifying maintenance bay height, installing new overhead doors, security cameras, alarms, and automatic gate. Staff is recommending authorizing up to \$69,000 in facility improvements, which will be evaluated and prioritized based on need, and then implemented pursuant to City purchasing policies



6. Prop 1B-Local Funds-Bus Stop Improvements

This project will include bus stop improvements, such as shelters, benches, signs (including electronic models), lighting, and information kiosks. Staff will develop a plan for installation and then seek approval according to City planning policies. Staff is recommending authorizing up to \$26,000 in improvements to be installed by pursuing one or more individual contracts for the implementation of grant funds.

7. Prop 1B Double Deck Bus purchase augmentation

In April 2009 the City was successful in receiving an additional \$475,000 from Proposition 1B to augment the \$375,000 in the existing 2007-08 FTA 5307 grant for a total of \$850,000 for the replacement of a retired 1994 compressed natural gas bus that was three years beyond its useful life and designated for replacement.

Table A is the approved project funding list for 2008-09

Table A

Project	FTA 5307	TDA LTF	Prop 1B	ARRA	Totals
Double Deck Bus	\$337,500	\$37,500	\$475,000		\$850,000
DRI-AVL				\$405,000	\$405,000
GFI-Electronic Farebox				\$400,000	\$400,000
Transit Facility Improvement				\$69,000	\$69,000
Bus Stop Improvements			\$25,700		\$25,700
	\$337,500	\$37,500	\$500,700	\$874,000	\$1,749,700



TO: Mass Transportation Committee

FROM: John Webster, Sr., Transit Manager

DATE: May 13, 2009

SUBJECT: Transit Manager's Report
AGENDA ITEM D1

The Transit Manager's Report will include highlights of the following activities and issues from March-April 2009 and Ridership data from February-March 2009.

- **Ridership report (Attachment "A")**
- **Contractor issues:** With the agreement of City Staff, First Transit implemented a change in the resident manager position previously occupied by Cassie Harrison and on Friday, April 30, 2009 Steve Aanonson assumed those responsibilities. Mr. Aanonson should be present at the next MTC meeting and will be introduced at that time. The Transit Manager and Transportation Assistant will work closely with the new manager especially towards improving reporting, data collection and accuracy. City staff continues to work with a consultant to transition from excel to access for collecting and reporting FY 09 data to include reports generated by First Transit. With the approved ARRA funding of the AVL project using DRI a decision was made to cease supporting the Efficient Deployment of Advanced Public Transportation System (EDAPTS) hardware effective June 30, 2009. Cal Poly staff has been notified and are supportive of this decision.
- **Contractor Liquidated Damages: Refer to report card (Attachment "A")**
- **Short Range Transit Plan Update status:** The SRTP received unanimous approval from the Mass Transportation Committee, SLO Planning Commission and was unanimously adopted along with the Negative Declaration from the Planning Commission by the SLO Council at a public



hearing on May 5, 2009. The following adopted recommendations were part of the staff report:

1. Adopt the draft SRTP and recommendations for potential service changes and other transit improvements. Delay service changes until such time as transit funding issues are resolved and continue to review existing service for operating efficiencies.
 2. Establish a goal of maintaining current service levels and seek additional funding to continue or enhance transit services recommended in the SRTP.
 3. Identify new funding to replace the expired State Transportation Assistance (STA) grant in order to continue the existing evening service pilot program in FY 2009-2010 and beyond.
 4. Implement fare modifications as soon as possible in order to provide additional operating funding and offset the impact of State TDA reductions (STA program elimination) starting in FY 2009-2010. This issue was the subject of a public hearing on April 21.
 5. Expedite vehicle and equipment procurements whenever possible in order to leverage new and existing available State and Federal funding grant programs especially those that do not require a local match.
 6. Consider future bus replacements with vehicles using high capacity (Double Deck) models or alternate fuels such as diesel hybrid, CNG, or 100% electric.
 7. Continue to meet, discuss, and implement methods to improve service coordination and marketing between other area operators and the SLO Transit system.
- The Transit Manager is continuing to work on the Implicit Purchase Pooling Solutions National Joint Vehicle Cooperative Procurement Pilot Project (CPPP). This project utilizes a 90/10 % funding split of Federal/Local match. On April 21, 2009 the Mayor and Council authorized a bid Award to Alexander Dennis for a double deck model purchase.
 - **Surplus vehicles:** Our pre-1997 transit buses are under review for designation as surplus or contingency due to the arrival of the six new Gillig Low floor Models.



- **SLORTA** Staff will update as part of agenda item B-1. If MTC members experience issues or receive complaints or other comments regarding SLORTA service please forward them to the Transit Manager for review.
- **Transit Operators Group meeting:** SLO Transit and City staff regularly participates with other local transit operators to exchange information and the coordination of Transit services. Tim Gillham with SLOCOG serves as the meeting coordinator.
- **SLO Transit Fare increase:** On April 21, 2009 the SLO Council approved a fare increase for the San Luis Obispo Transit (SLO Transit) system with one modification which was to approve a lower Senior-Disabled 31 day pass price of \$12.50 The new fare structure will go into effect on June 1, 2009 and will also phase in a change for the senior discount from age 62+ to 65+ over the next 3 yrs.

Type	Current	Approved
Regular Cash	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.25
Senior/Disabled Cash	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.60
31 Day regular Pass	\$ 30.00	\$ 37.00
31 Day Student Pass	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00
31 Day Senior/Disabled Pass	\$ 10.00	\$ 12.50
7* Day Pass	\$ 10.00	\$ 14.00
5* Day Pass	\$ 7.00	\$ 10.00
3* Day Pass	\$ 5.00	\$ 6.00
1* Day Pass	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00
<i>* Sold on bus/Exact change</i>		

- **Capital projects:** Staff is working quickly to get final quotes for all FTA 5307 ARRA and Prop 1B capital related projects and should be able to issue purchase orders for the AVL (EDAPTS replacement) and GFI farebox project before the MTC meeting on May 13, 2009. Staff is meeting with Alexander Dennis representatives on May 19, 2009 to review the vehicle specifications and is hopeful a purchase order can be issued before the end of June 2009. Bus delivery is anticipated in 10-12 months. The AVL project timeline is 6-10 months from PO date and new GFI fareboxes should be installed by September 2009. Other Capital projects include the transit facility roof replacement (Due by end of summer), a 12' x 60' trailer to be



used as a training area and office space, new office furniture and other upgrades.

- **FTA 5317 New Freedom Grant:**

On April 21, 2009 the SLO Council approved a contract award to Fred Munroe with Ridership Development Concepts to administer as 24 month FTA 5317 Grant to expand transportation options in San Luis Obispo. This grant will provide transit travel training to senior and low income residents. Staff will provide additional details at the MTC meeting.

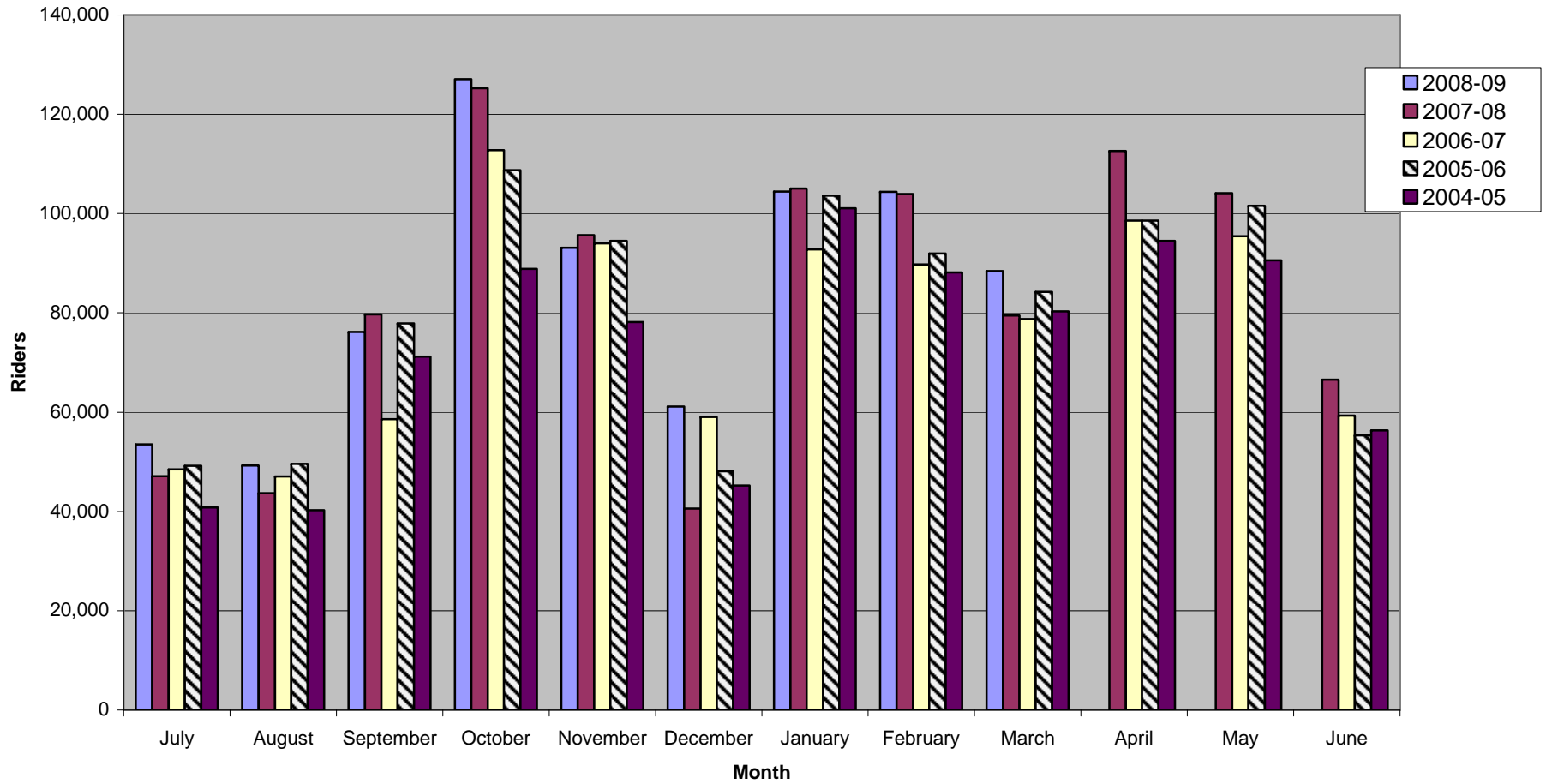
- **Various SLO Transit System reports-information (As attachments)**



DATE	PASSENGERS	REV MILE	PASS/MI	REV HOURS	PASS/HR	WEEKDAYS	ACCIDENTS
Feb-08	103,915	32,218.30	3.23	2,853.66	36.41	20	1
Mar-08	79,466	33,531.80	2.37	2,972.84	26.73	21	0
TOTALS	183,381	65,750.10	2.79	5,826.50	31.47	41	1
Feb-09	104,355	32,432.00	3.22	2,725.80	38.28	19	1
Mar-09	88,397	30,752.00	2.87	3,095.16	28.56	22	0
TOTALS	192,752	63,184.00	3.05	5,820.96	33.11	41	1
PERIOD	WEEKDAYS						
Feb-Mar 2008	41						
Feb-Mar 2009	41	0.00%					

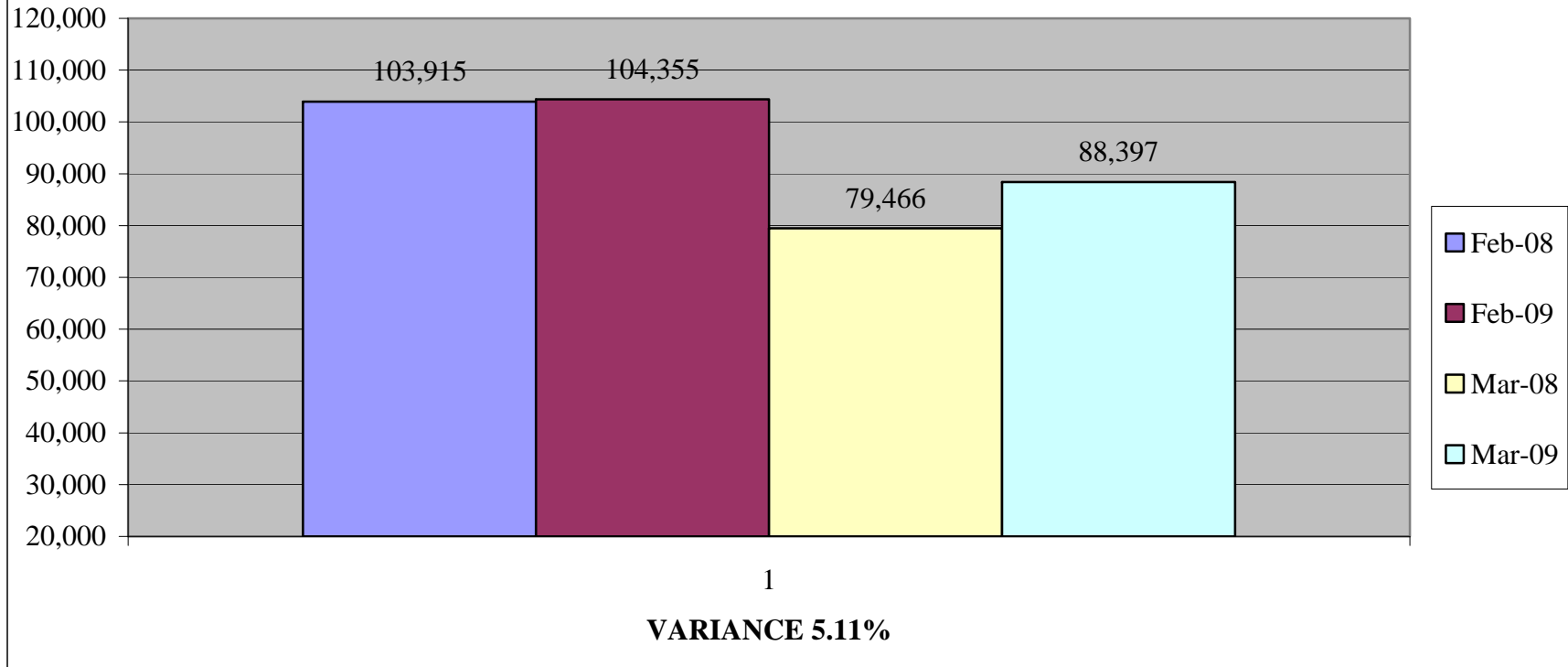


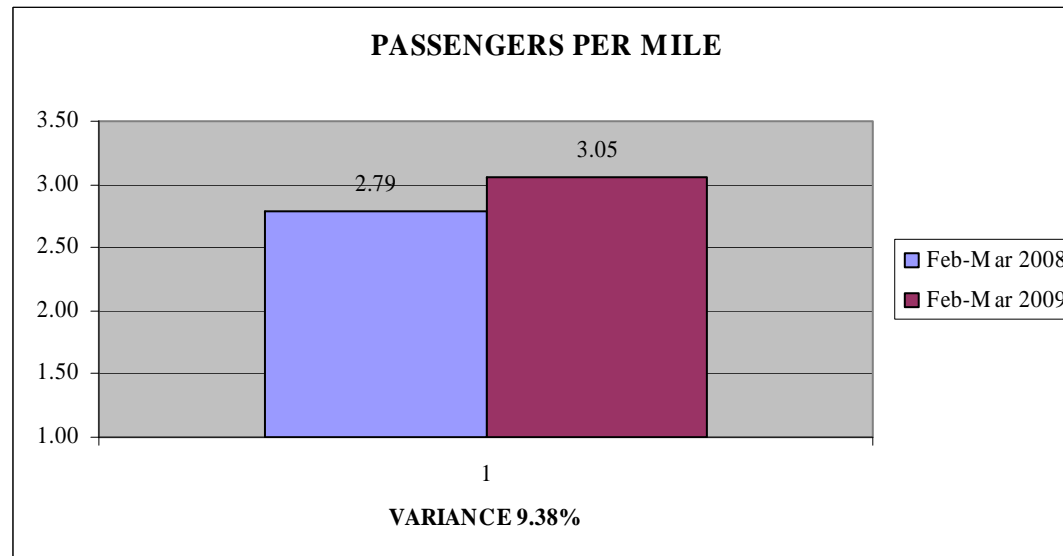
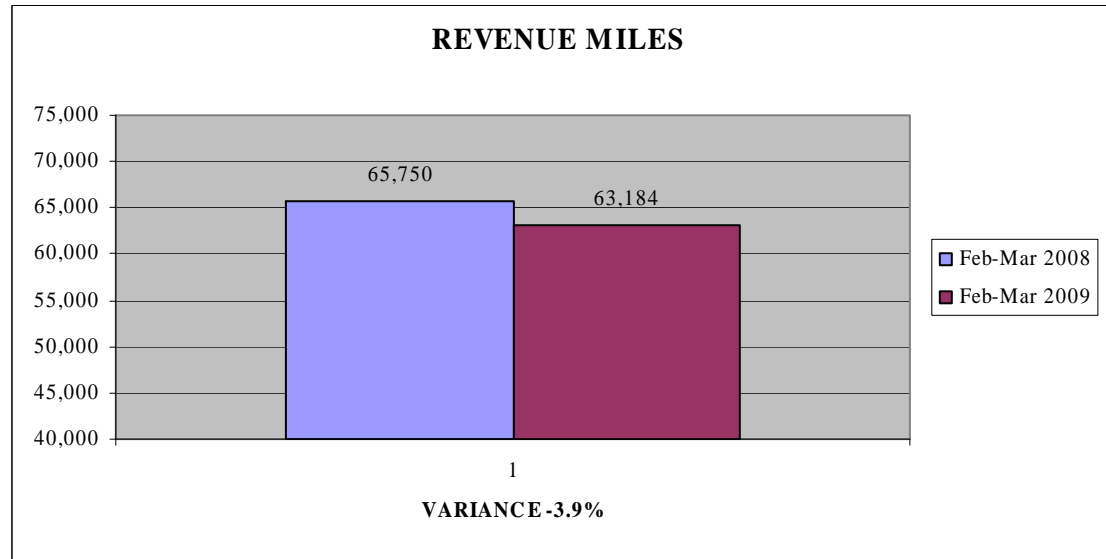
SLO Transit Ridership by Fiscal Year

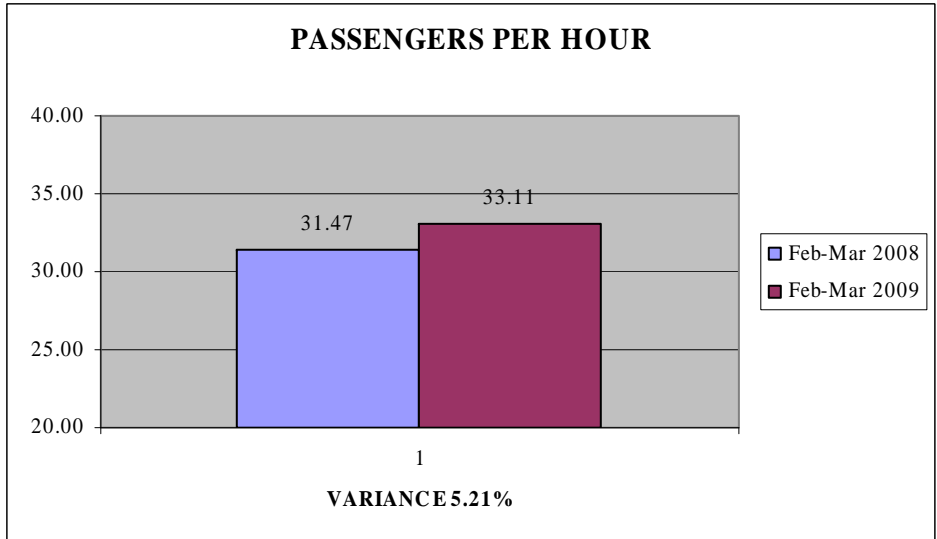
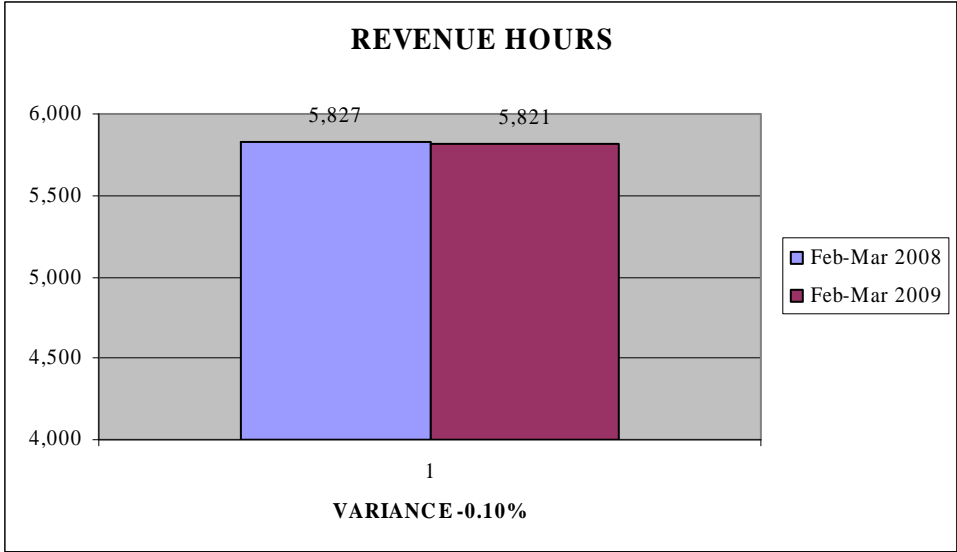


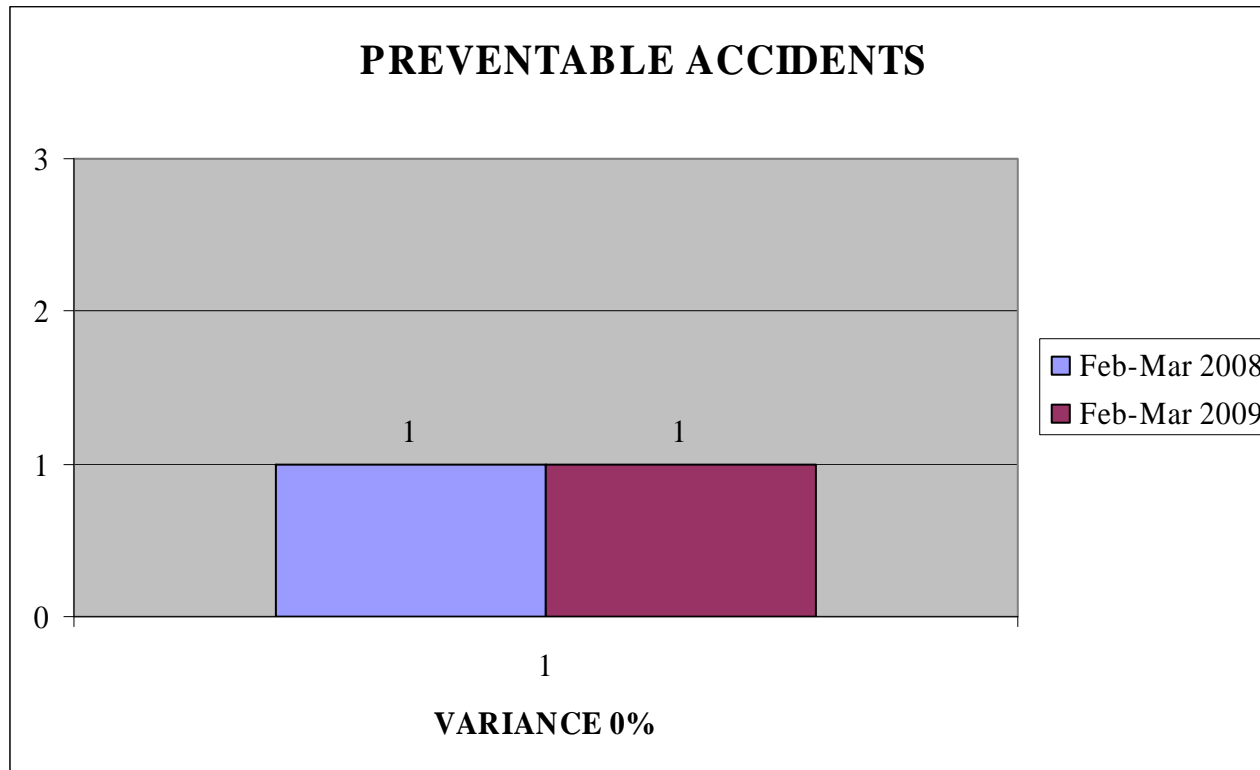


RIDERSHIP REPORT











FUEL COSTS

FY 08

GALLONS USED			
	Feb-08	Mar-08	TOTAL
DIESEL	9,008.60	9,354.20	18,362.80
CNG	0.00	445.50	445.50
GAS	367.00	414.50	781.50
TOTAL	9,375.60	10,214.20	19,589.80

COST			
	Feb-08	Mar-08	TOTAL
DIESEL	\$27,440.98	\$32,151.89	\$ 59,592.87
CNG	\$0.00	\$1,081.84	\$ 1,081.84
GAS	\$1,024.29	\$1,270.17	\$ 2,294.46
TOTAL	\$28,465.27	\$34,503.90	\$ 62,969.17

COST/GAL			
	Feb-08	Mar-08	TOTAL
DIESEL	\$3.05	\$3.44	\$ 3.25
CNG	\$0.00	\$2.43	\$ 2.43
GAS	\$2.79	\$3.06	\$ 2.94
TOTAL	\$3.04	\$3.38	\$ 3.21



FY 09

GALLONS USED			
	Feb-09	Mar-09	TOTAL
DIESEL	9,081.90	10,071.70	19,153.60
CNG	0.00	0.00	0.00
GAS	235.50	297.80	533.30
TOTAL	9,317.40	10,369.50	19,686.90

COST SUMMARY			
	Feb-09	Mar-09	TOTAL
DIESEL	\$ 17,236.89	\$ 17,967.25	\$ 35,204.14
CNG	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
GAS	\$ 407.08	\$ 505.26	\$ 912.34
TOTAL	\$ 17,643.97	\$ 18,472.51	\$ 36,116.48

COST PER GALLON			
	Feb-09	Mar-09	TOTAL
DIESEL	\$ 1.90	\$ 1.78	\$ 1.84
CNG	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
GAS	\$ 1.73	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.71
TOTAL	\$ 1.89	\$ 1.78	\$ 1.83



DIESEL COMPARISONS				
	GAL	AMT	COST/GAL	Cost/Variance
Feb-Mar 2008	18,362.80	\$ 59,592.87	\$ 3.25	
Feb-Mar 2009	19,153.60	\$ 35,204.14	\$ 1.84	-43.36%

ALL FUEL COMPARISION				
DIESEL/CNG/GAS	GAL	AMT	COST/GAL	Cost/Variance
Feb-Mar 2008	19,589.80	\$ 62,969.17	\$ 3.21	
Feb-Mar 2009	19,686.90	\$ 36,116.48	\$ 1.83	-42.93%


CONTRACTOR REPORT CARD

DESCRIPTION	SECTION	INCENTIVE	DAMAGE	AMOUNT	PER
Revenue Miles between Preventable Accidents (ratio equals/exceeds 70,000 miles)	3.24.1.1	X		\$ 200	QUARTER
Vehicle Cleanliness pulled out of service	3.24.2.1		X	\$ 300	INCIDENT
Vehicle in service not meeting standards	3.24.2.1		X	\$ 150	INCIDENT
Unlinked trip per revenue hour decreases by 10%	3.24.2.2		X	\$ 200	MONTH
On time performance for each route (-95%)	3.24.2.3		X	\$ 500	MONTH
On time performance for each route (-90%)	3.24.2.3		X	\$ 1,000	MONTH
On time performance for each route (-85%)	3.24.2.3		X	\$ 2,000	MONTH
Late route pull penalty (10+ MIN for start of sched)	3.24.2.4		X	\$ 250	INCIDENT
Off Route penalty	3.24.2.5		X	\$ 250	INCIDENT
Failure to complete route	3.24.2.6		X	\$ 250	INCIDENT
Missed service stops	3.24.2.7		X	\$ 250	STOP
Unsatisfactory CHP inspection	3.24.2.8		X	\$ 250	INSPECTION
Unsatisfactory CHP inspection	3.24.2.8		X	\$ 250	BUS
Unsatisfactory CHP inspection (SERVICE TERMINATED)	3.24.2.8		X	\$ 500	INCIDENT
Operations and facility cleanliness	3.24.2.9		X	\$ 250	DAY
Failure to employ management (Resident, Maintenance, Operations supervisor)	3.24.2.10		X	\$ 150	DAY/POSITION
Failure to report penalty or damage	3.24.2.11		X	\$ 100	INCIDENT
Submitted reports late (INCLUDES INVOICE)	3.24.2.12		X	\$ 50	REPORT/DAY LATE
Unresolved complaints	3.24.2.13		X	\$ 150	COMPLAINT
Uniform/dress code	3.24.2.14		X	\$ 10	INCIDENT
Preventative Maintenance inspections	3.24.2.15		X	\$ 100	INSPECTION DUE
Inoperative wheel chair lifts PUT IN SERVICE	3.24.2.16		X	\$ 200	INCIDENT
Revenue miles between preventative accidents (Ratio less than 5,000 Miles)	3.24.2.17		X	\$ 500	QUARTER
Vehicle miles between road and service calls (Ratio less 4,000 miles)	3.24.2.18		X	\$ 0.01	x System miles/Month
By-passed passenger	3.24.2.19		X	\$ 75	INCIDENT
Bus leaving stop 2 min or more early	3.24.2.19		X	\$ 75	STOP
Failure to announce bus stops	3.24.2.20		X	\$ 75	STOP
TOTALS					



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DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	PER	Feb-09	Mar-09	TOTALS
Revenue Miles between Preventable Accidents (ratio equals/exceeds 70,000 miles)	\$ 200	QUARTER	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Vehicle Cleanliness pulled out of service	\$ 300	INCIDENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Vehicle in service not meeting standards	\$ 150	INCIDENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Unlinked trip per revenue hour decreases by 10%	\$ 200	MONTH	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
On time performance for each route (-95%)	\$ 500	MONTH	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000
On time performance for each route (-90%)	\$ 1,000	MONTH	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000
On time performance for each route (-85%)	\$ 2,000	MONTH	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000
Late route pull penalty (10+ MIN for start of sched)	\$ 250	INCIDENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Off Route penalty	\$ 250	INCIDENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Failure to complete route	\$ 250	INCIDENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Missed service stops	\$ 250	STOP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Unsatisfactory CHP inspection	\$ 250	INSPECTION	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Unsatisfactory CHP inspection	\$ 250	BUS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Unsatisfactory CHP inspection (SERVICE TERMINATED)	\$ 500	INCIDENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Operations and facility cleanliness	\$ 250	DAY	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Failure to employ management (Resdient, Maintenance, Operations supervisor)	\$ 150	DAY/POSITION	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Failure to report penalty or damage	\$ 100	INCIDENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Submitted reports late (INCLUDES INVOICE)	\$ 50	REPORT/DAY LATE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150
Unresolved complaints	\$ 150	COMPLAINT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Uniform/dress code	\$ 10	INCIDENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Preventative Maintenance inspections	\$ 100	INSPECTION DUE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Inoperative wheel chair lifts PUT IN SERVICE	\$ 200	INCIDENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Revenue miles between preventative accidents (Ratio less than 50,000 Miles)	\$ 500	QUARTER	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 1,000
Vehicle miles between road and service calls (Ratio less 4,000 miles)	\$ 0.01	x System miles/Month	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
By-passed passenger	\$ 75	INCIDENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bus leaving stop 2 min or more early	\$ 75	STOP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Failure to announce bus stops	\$ 75	STOP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTALS			\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 9,150



Executive Director's Report

March 23, 2009

STATE UPDATE

Legislature Advances Stimulus Disbursement Measure: Senate Budget Subcommittee #2 held an informational hearing last week to review draft language on the federal stimulus enabling legislation. The language, which appears to have broad consensus, will ultimately be inserted into AB 20xxx (currently a budget trailer bill) and be authored by Assembly Speaker Karen Bass. The legislature was expected to take up the bill in chief during today's session. [Click here](#) to read the bill, [or here](#) to read the subcommittee's staff analysis. The bill does NOT apply to the "transit only" American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds, which will flow directly to transit agencies without the need for state legislation; California's share of the "highway" ARRA funds would be distributed under this bill based on the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) formula. This would provide Caltrans with a \$963 million pot (37.5 percent). From that pot, \$625 million will go to fund 57 SHOPP projects and \$77 million from the state's share would go for TEA projects. That would leave \$310 million for Caltrans to use to loan other projects (namely Prop 1B projects that have been held up by the Pooled Money Investment Board) around the state. Regions would receive a 62.5 percent share.

PBS Series Highlights the Plight of Transit Funding in California: As part of its ongoing "Blueprint America" series on the infrastructure crisis in America, PBS television's *The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer* recently featured a report on the hardships faced by transit providers in California on the heels of the recent elimination of the State Transit Assistance program. The report compiled by Rick Karr of WNET in New York, entitled "Transit in Trouble," included interviews with San Francisco MTA General Manager Nathaniel Ford, San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom, State Senator Mark DeSaulnier and numerous transit-dependent riders in the Bay Area. The report also included footage from the recent meeting of the Western Contra Costa Transit Authority (WestCAT), at which the board voted to implement service reductions in response to ever-diminishing operations funding. [Click here](#) to view videos and transcripts from the report.

ASSOCIATION NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

Members, Advocates Gear Up for Transit Lobby Day: Transit advocates from all over the state are ready to descend on Sacramento this Wednesday for the Association's annual Transit Lobby Day. The event has historically included only members of the Association, but we've had unprecedented interest in this year's event, fueled by the recently-adopted state budget that eliminated the State Transit Assistance program. Our thanks to those who have signed on to participate, as well as to those who have promoted the event to audiences beyond our membership. An informational packet containing loads of talking points and supportive data was e-mailed to registrants on Friday. If you've yet to receive your packet, please contact Association Services Assistant Tuyen Truong via e-mail at tuyen@caltransit.org. We look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday!

Association's Upcoming Webinar to Focus on Terminal Inspection: Our newest interactive webinar presentation has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 29 at 8 a.m. The presentation, hosted by the Association's [Maintenance Committee](#), will examine CHP's annual Terminal Inspections. Maintenance Committee Member **John Roberts (Deputy Executive Officer, Operations, Los Angeles Metro)** reports extraordinary success in hosting sessions with CHP terminal inspection personnel and transit agencies. The Maintenance Committee under the leadership of **George Karbowski (Foothill Transit)** and **David Olmeda (San Mateo County Transit District)** sought to extend the model to a statewide forum, and thus the topic for our next webinar was selected. Look for more details later this week at www.caltransit.org.

Got Any Changes to Your Contact Information?: In order to maintain a current database of our membership, Staff distributes a Contact Verification Form to renewed members. If you have not completed your organization's Contact Verification Form, please complete and return as soon as possible. We will be using this updated information to create the 2009/2010 Annual Directory and Resource Guide. If you have not received a verification form yet, please contact Association Services Assistant, Tuyen Truong at (916) 446-4656, ext. 1004, or via e-mail (tuyen@caltransit.org).



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Funding Update

April 29, 2009

Bond Sale Results in \$255 million in PTMISEA Allocations

Last week the State Treasurer conducted a bond sale and sold \$6.9 billion in General Obligation bonds. This sale exceeded expectations and brings good news to the transportation community, as Proposition 1B will receive a significant amount of funding from the bond sale.

We have confirmed that \$255 million of this funding has been allocated for PTMISEA projects. Please [click here](#) to see a preliminary list of PTMISEA projects to receive this allocation for the first cycle of 2008-09 (see rows 193 – 300). This would leave \$455 million in unallocated funds (\$95 million for 08-09 and \$350 for 09-10). The list is not yet final due to the fact that some of these projects may have received funding through the distribution of federal stimulus dollars, therefore Caltrans' Division of Mass Transportation (DMT) will be finalizing the list of projects some time next week.

We do not yet have a confirmed date on when checks will be cut by the State Controller's Office (SCO) due to the backlog of unallocated projects for several statewide projects. We will work with DMT to access the final list of PTMISEA projects and the SCO to help provide a schedule of disbursements.

Please contact Legislative Advocate Gus Khouri (Gus@CalTransit.org) or call 916-446-4656 if you have any questions.





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Transit Providers Join the Call for Budget Reform *Association advises panel charged with modernizing state revenue laws*

SACRAMENTO — Urging an end to continued raids on state public transit funding, the California Transit Association has submitted recommendations for establishing a "stable, predictable source of long-term funding" to the Commission on the 21st Century Economy, a panel charged with studying ways of modernizing California's out-of-date revenue laws that have contributed to ongoing feast-or-famine budget cycles.

“The latest budget shell game only reinforced what we have long known to be true – that serious reform of the budget process is long overdue,” said Joshua Shaw, Executive Director of the California Transit Association. “We’re hopeful that the formation of this commission and the work it undertakes can be a vital step in that direction.”

The Association's report calls for the commission to support continuation and strengthening of the transportation funding mechanisms first put into place by the state in 1971 through the Transportation Development Act, to modernize and standardize the existing TDA revenue stream, and to restore stability and predictability to other sources of state transit funding that have been put in place since the TDA was enacted.

The recommendations also urge constitutional protections to strengthen the intent of voters when they passed 1990's Proposition 116, which established the Public Transportation Account as a trust fund whose revenues were dedicated to "transportation planning and mass transportation purposes," and to clarify voters' intent in defining mass transportation purposes as "only those such as state, regional and local bus and rail passenger service open to the general public."

The latter point has been a particular bone of contention given that state budgets since 2007 have continually diverted PTA funds to cover such non-transit programs as home-to-school busing and transport to regional occupational centers, programs previously funded through the General Fund and clearly outside the definition of "public transportation." The raid on PTA funds has totaled \$3 billion in just the last two budget cycles. The latest budget package adopted in February completely

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eliminated all state funding for transit operations, resulting in ongoing service reductions, fare increases and job losses at transit agencies throughout the state.

“Budget crafters have been treating public transit as their personal piggy bank for years without ever doing anything to truly solve the budget crisis. Year after year of massive cuts only got them to the point of deciding that transit’s ‘fair share’ of the burden was to accept a complete elimination of funding,” said Shaw. “That’s in blatant defiance of what voters have demanded, and a complete contradiction of common sense 21st century planning.”

The Commission on the 21st Century Economy was created through an Executive Order issued in December, 2008 by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger to suggest changes to state and local revenues that will result in a revenue stream that is more stable and reflective of the California economy. The Commission will report its findings to the Governor and legislature on or before July 31, 2009.

[Click here](#) to read the full recommendation from the California Transit Association.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the Commission on the 21st Century Economy.

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Legislative Bulletin

April 30, 2009

California Transit Association Sponsored Bills Move Through Committees

[AB 729 \(Evans\)](#) - Transit Design-build Contracts

This bill extends the sunset date for transit operators to enter into design-build contracts to January 1, 2015. The current authority is set to expire as of January 1, 2011. This proposal allows Association members to maintain a tool that may help expedite capital projects made available through allocations from Proposition 1B or the federal economic stimulus package.

Status: Passed out of the Assembly Transportation Committee on April 20th. Will be heard in the Assembly Appropriations Committee on May 6th.

[AB 1072 \(Eng\)](#) - Proposition 1B Allocations for Transit

This bill codifies a formula initially established in SB 88 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) [Chapter 181, Statutes of 2007] for allocating Proposition 1B funds appropriated from the Public Transit Modernization, Improvement, Service Enhancement Account (PTMISEA). The formula is based on all operators' and regions' shares of PTMISEA based on the average of the State Transit Assistance (STA) Program allocations from the 2004-05, 2005-06, and 2006-07 years. This formula has been used to appropriate \$600 million in 2007-08 and \$350 million in 2008-09 and 2009-10.

AB 1072 supports the application of SB 88's principles, policies and structure to all future appropriations of PTMISEA funds, which includes maintaining the determination of all operators' and regions' shares of PTMISEA based on the average of the STA program allocations from the 2004-05, 2005-06, and 2006-07 years for the remainder of the available funding left in the program, as well as providing a mechanism to advance funding to eligible recipients.

This bill provides certainty to operators and allows for long-range planning and contracting by locking in the formula on all remaining funds in the PTMISEA program. The bill also contains an expenditure program mechanism, whereby agencies would be required, in the first year, to submit an expenditure plan for their share of the remaining funds available, in order to support advocacy for sufficient annual appropriations from the PTMISEA. Based on that data, we will then continue to support the necessary annual appropriations from the PTMISEA.



Furthermore, AB 1072 will allow recipients to “bank” their allocations over multiple years so that they can accumulate funds for large high-priority projects and also allow for borrowing between agencies to ensure that each allocated dollar is being utilized.

Status: Passed out of the Assembly Transportation on April 27th. Will be heard in the Assembly Appropriations Committee on May 6th.

Update on Other Bills

AB 266 (Carter) Transportation Needs Assessment

This bill would require the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to, on an every-5-year basis, to develop an assessment of the unfunded costs of programmed state projects and federally earmarked projects in the state, as well as an assessment of available funding for transportation purposes and unmet transportation needs on a statewide basis.

Position: Support

Status: In the Assembly Appropriations Committee on Suspense File.

AB 338 (Ma) Infrastructure Financing for Transit Village Developments

This bill would provide an optional financing mechanism to allow transit agencies greater incentives and opportunities to explore transit-oriented development (TOD) options with local governments. Furthermore, if a city or county wishes to pursue a TOD project with a local transit agency within an existing “transit village development district,” they may pursue an agreement setting forth the conditions by which bonds could be issued to develop and make improvements to a specific transit station. When the bond proceeds for the TOD are paid off, the new tax revenue from the transit village district would go to the participating local governments. If successful, this bill will help provide greater local environmental, planning and economic benefits.

Position: Support

Status: Will be heard on the Assembly Floor.

AB 652 (Skinner) Allow Three-Position Bike Racks on 40-Foot Buses

This bill revises exemptions to existing law which imposes a 40-foot limitation on the length of vehicles that may be operated on the highways. The revised exemptions would permit a folding device that extends not more than 40 inches from the front body of a bus or trolley when fully deployed, and would permit the transportation of a bicycle with handlebars that extend not more than 46 inches from the front of the vehicle. This bill will help promote ridership by enabling buses to accommodate more bicycle riders who seek safe storage for their bicycles while they ride transit.

Position: Support

Status: Passed out of the Assembly Transportation Committee on April 27th. Will be heard on the Assembly Floor.



AB 798 (Nava) California Transportation Financing Authority: Toll Facilities

This bill establishes the California Transportation Financing Authority (CTFA) to facilitate construction of transportation projects including authority to approve tolling projects. The bill enables "public-public partnerships" wherein government agencies partner to finance public infrastructure, and provides local and regional entities with the ability to leverage funding of transportation projects, create a method to finance projects in the municipal bond market, and ensure that projects and funding are consistent with state transportation policy objectives and "best practices" public finance criteria.

Position: Support

Status: In the Assembly Appropriations Committee on Suspense File.

SB 205 (Hancock) Motor Vehicle Registration Fees to Reduce Congestion

This bill authorizes a countywide transportation planning agency to place on the ballot a majority vote local measure that would impose a fee of up to \$10 on each vehicle registered in that county. The fee would fund programs and projects that mitigate pollution and congestion, including transit capital projects.

Position: Support

Status: Will be heard on the Senate Floor.

Please contact Legislative and Regulatory Assistant Sabrina Means at sabrina@caltransit.org if you have any questions.

