

**SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT**  
2150 Webster Street, P.O. Box 12688, Oakland, CA 94604-2688

**Transit Security Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**  
Tuesday, June 25, 2024

A regular meeting of the Transit Security Advisory Committee (TSAC) was held on June 25, 2024, convening at 9:34 a.m., and was held in the BART Board Room, 2150 Webster Street, 1st Floor, Oakland, California 94612. The meeting was called to order by Chair Omar Farmer, with Mag Tatum, Recording Secretary.

Members Present: Members Oleksii Chuiko, Omar Farmer, Tiffany Lacsado, and Julia Owens.

Member Absent: Members Gloria Garmon and Armando Sandoval.

**1. Call to Order.**

The regular meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m.

**2. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of April 23, 2024.**

Vice Chairperson Chuiko moved that the meeting minutes of April 23, 2024, be approved. Member Owens seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote. Ayes – 4: Members Chuiko, Farmer, Lacsado, and Owens. Noes – 0. Abstain – 0. Absent – 2: Members Garmon and Sandoval. Vacant – 1.

**3. Public Comment.**

Chair Farmer called for public comment.

Director Robert Raburn and Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

**4. Presentation of the Ralph M. Brown Act Training.**

Byron Toma, Senior Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, presented the Ralph M. Brown Act Training, before the Committee.

Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

**5. Presentation of Progressive Policing and Community Engagement Bureau (PPCEB).**

Deputy Chief, Ja'Son Scott, presented the Progressive Policing and Community Engagement Bureau (PPCEB), before the Committee. The item was discussed.

Director Robert Raburn and Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

**6. Outlining Potential Research, Implementation, and Evaluation Strategies for "Buddy Cars" and "Family Cars" (Member Owens' Request).**

Chair Farmer brought the matter of the Outlining Potential Research, Implementation, and Evaluation Strategies for "Buddy Cars" and "Family Cars", before the Committee. The item was continued to a future TSAC meeting.

Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

**7. Review of the Proposed Draft TSAC Bylaws 2024.**

Chair Farmer brought up the matter of the Proposed Draft TSAC Bylaws 2024, before the Committee. The item was discussed.

Member Owens moved that the proposed TSAC Bylaws 2024 (see attachment), be approved, as amended, for **Article III, Section 2, Membership Representation**, except the removal of the proposed redline section D (Transit Oriented Community Representative: At least one (1) member who lives/has lived in a transit- oriented community), and **Article IX, Parliamentary Authority**, to include The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure (Alice Sturgis). Member Chuiko seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote. Ayes – 4: Members Chuiko, Farmer, Lacsado, and Owens. Noes – 0. Abstain – 0. Absent – 2: Members Garmon and Sandoval. Vacant – 1.

Director Robert Raburn and Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

**8. Review of TSAC Observations and Recommendations.**

Chair Farmer brought the matter of TSAC Observations and Recommendations, before the Committee, and continued the item to future TSAC meetings.

**9. Discussion of the Annual Prohibition Report.**

Alex Walker, Manager of Government Relations and Legislative Affairs, Gov't & Community Relations Division, discussed the Annual Prohibition Report, before the Committee. The report was discussed.

**10. Identifying Strategies and Partners for Evaluating TSAC Prohibition Order Trends and Improving Future Reporting. (Member Owens' Request).**

Chair Farmer brought the request for identifying Strategies and Partners for Evaluating TSAC Prohibition Order Trends and Improving Future Reporting and continued the item to a future TSAC meeting.

**11. Review of Monthly Statistics for Prohibition Orders for April 2024.**

Ja'Son Scott, Deputy Chief, BART's Police Department, brought the matter of reviewing the Monthly Statistics for Prohibition Orders for April 2024, before the Committee. The reports were discussed.

## **12. Staff Comments.**

Chair Farmer called for staff comments. Mag Tatum, BART's Office of the District Secretary, addressed the Board.

## **13. New Business/Announcements/Comments.**

Chair Farmer called for Committee Member announcements and comments.

Members Chuiko, Farmer, and Lacasado, provided additional information to the Committee.

Member Lacasado provided closing remarks for the end of her term on the Transit Security Advisory Board, June 30, 2024 (see attached letter).

### **Next Meeting Agenda Items and Date:**

Member Farmer brought the matter of the Next Meeting Agenda Items and Date before the Committee. The next meeting is scheduled for July 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.:

The following items were proposed for the next agenda:

- Review of the TSAC Outlook Calendar.
- Review Statistics for Prohibition Orders (Quarterly Report).
- Review of TSAC Observations and Recommendations.
- Committee Member Announcements/Comments.

The following items were proposed as future agenda items:

- Presentation – Informational Session from BART Police Department's Zone Commanders.
- Presentation – Overview of Age and Ethnicity of Prohibition Orders Reports.
- Presentation – BART Police Department's Monthly or Quarterly Reports.
- Presentation – BART Police Department's Progressive Policing and Community Engagement Bureau (PPCEB)
- Presentation – BART Police Department's Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving (COPPS)
- Presentation – Prohibition Order Program.
- Presentation – Ralph M. Brown Act Training
- Presentation – Update on the Annual Prohibition Orders Report.
- Presentation – BART's "Not One More Girl" Initiative
- Presentation – Review of TSAC Observations and Recommendations
- Presentation – 1) Request for Trends in Data: TSAC Prohibition Orders Summary Statistics 2019-2023 (Member Owens' Request).  
2) Identifying Strategies and Partners for Evaluating TSAC Prohibition Order Trends and Improving Future Reporting. (Member Owens' Request).
- Presentation – 1) Determining whether Evaluating "Pink Cars"/ Women Only Train Cars is Within the Scope of the TSAC (Member Owens' Request).

Outlining Potential Research, Implementation, and Evaluation Strategies for "Buddy Cars" and "Family Cars" (Member Owens' Request).

**14. Adjournment.**

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:11p.m.

**|Attachment - Letter from TSAC Member Tiffany Lacsado|**

**From:** Tiffany Lacsado <TLacsado@unitycouncil.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 21, 2024, 2:25 PM  
**Subject:** Letter to Transit Security Advisory Committee

Greetings Mag! As I approach my very last Transit Security Advisory Committee meeting, I wanted to ask if you can send this to the other TSAC members and to also include it in the documents for next week's meeting. Thank you!

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Dear Members of the Bay Area Rapid Transit Security Advisory Committee, Director Raburn and Deputy Chief Scott,

I hope this letter finds each of you well. As I reflect on the past five years, I am filled with profound gratitude for the opportunity to have served alongside such dedicated individuals on the committee. It has been a privilege and an honor to contribute to the crucial mission of ensuring the safety and security of our Bay Area Rapid Transit system.

I want to express my deepest appreciation for the support, collaboration, and camaraderie that I have experienced throughout my tenure. Your commitment to excellence and your unwavering dedication to improving the safety measures within our transit network have been truly inspiring.

The insights and perspectives shared during our meetings have been invaluable to me personally and professionally. I have learned so much from each of you and have been continually impressed by the thoughtful discussions and innovative solutions that have emerged from our collective efforts.

I am very happy that you all supported and accepted my resolution to include in the committee's membership a permanent seat for a representative of a Transit Oriented Development.

I am also particularly grateful for the friendships formed and the mentorship received from many of you. Your guidance has been instrumental in shaping my understanding of transit security issues and in refining my approach to advocacy and policy development and safety issues.

As I transition into a new chapter, I carry with me cherished memories of our collaboration and the meaningful work we have accomplished together. While I will no longer be actively participating in committee activities, please know that I remain committed to supporting and promoting the vital work of the Bay Area Rapid Transit system.

Thank you once again for allowing me to be a part of this esteemed committee and for your unwavering dedication to the safety and well-being of our community. It has been an honor to serve alongside each of you, and I look forward to our paths crossing again in the future.

Yours in community, health and safety,

**Tiffany Rose Naputi Lacsado**  
Director of Economic Development

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# SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

## AB-716 AB730 Advisory Committee Bylaws

### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this committee shall be TRANSIT SECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, "TSAC".

### ARTICLE II — OBJECT

This committee shall serve to provide recommendations to the BART Board of Directors and BART staff. The purpose of the committee is to evaluate the procedures for, and issuance of prohibition orders and recommends a course of training for personnel charged with issuance and enforcement of prohibition orders. (Review committee role and scope on training and policy recommendations)

Specifically, in accordance with Section 99172 (a) (1) of the Public Utilities Code, the TSAC shall:

1. Provide recommendations, in consultation with the County Mental Health Director, regarding the type and extent of training that should be undertaken by individuals with responsibility for issuance and enforcement of prohibition orders, with an emphasis on training designed to assist in identifying and interacting with persons who are homeless or who have psychiatric, developmental, or other disabilities;
2. Identify, in consultation with the County Mental Health Director, services and programs to which persons who are homeless or who have psychiatric, developmental, or other disabilities maybe referred by transit district personnel prior to or in conjunction with issuance of a prohibition order;
3. Monitor the issuance of prohibition orders to assist BART in ensuring compliance with Section 51 of the Civil Code; and
4. Provide BART's Board of Directors and the California State Legislature with an annual report summarizing the number of prohibition orders issued by BART during the preceding year, including, but not limited to, the types and numbers of citations by category, and the number of exclusion orders appealed, the appeals granted, the reasons granted, and other relevant information directly related to those orders.

### ARTICLE III — MEMBERS

#### Section 1. Maximum Membership

The membership of this Committee shall be composed of no less than ~~five (5)~~ seven (7) and no greater than ~~seven (7)~~ nine (9) representatives. Each member shall be appointed by the BART BOARD of DIRECTORS. Alternates: two alternates shall be appointed by the BART Board with no more than one alternate per category. All alternates are strongly encouraged to attend all meetings. Alternates are not eligible to vote unless filling in for an appointed member that is absent. An alternate is designated by the Chairperson. Staff will notify alternate that attendance will be needed for the next meeting.

Transit Security Advisory Committee Board Bylaws. Originally adopted: 10/11/12. Amended: 6/25/19; and 9/26/19 Board of Directors meeting. **Effected on 01/01/2025.**

## Section 2. Membership Representation

Representation will be composed of the following categories:

- A. Mental Health Representative: At least one (1) member with experience working with individuals ~~with who are unhoused and/or living with~~ psychiatric, developmental, or other disabilities.
- B. Youth Advocates Representative: At least one (1) member with experience, **active or retired**, as a youth advocate within the region of the BART system.
- C. Law Enforcement: At least one (1) member with experience, **active or retired**, as a sworn peace officer within the region of the BART system.
- ~~D. Transit Oriented Community Representative: At least one (1) member who lives/has lived in a transit oriented community. (Define with committee and BART legal team)~~
- D. At-Large Representatives: There shall be ~~three (3) or four (4)~~ **four (4) or five (5)** at-large Representatives, preferably users of the BART system, **those who have been impacted by prohibition orders, and those who have lived experience with housing instability.**

## Section 3. Composition of Committee

Other than Mental Health Representative, the Youth Advocates Representative, and the Law Enforcement Representative, which are mandated by Section 99172 of the Public Utilities Code, no group shall be entitled to representation on the TSAC.

## Section 4. Resignations

Any member may resign by filing a written or verbal resignation with staff, chair or the BART Board of Directors.

**\*In the event of 2 consecutive unexcused absences member forfeits membership (BART legal to review with committee)**

## Section 5. Term of Membership

The term of each member shall be two (2) years. Terms shall begin on January 1, 2013 and end on December 31, 2014 unless Section 99172 is amended to apply to BART beyond the January 1, 2015 sunset date. Members may be considered for re-appointment if the Section 99172 of the Public Utilities Code is so amended.

## Section 6. Removal of Members

BART's Board of Directors may remove any member of the TSAC ~~with or without cause~~ **(Advisement by BART legal, political appointees at will.)**

## Section 7. Appointment of Vacancies

In the event of a vacancy, the BART Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement member to fill the term of the vacancy **forth with. (Advisement by BART legal)**

## ARTICLE IV — OFFICERS

### Section 1, Officers and Duties

The officers of the TSAC shall be a Chair and a Vice Chair, these officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these Bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the TSAC. The officers may serve as liaisons to the BART Board of Directors.

- a. Chair. The TSAC shall elect from its membership a Chair who shall preside at all meetings of the TSAC. The Chair or his designee shall act as the preliminary spokesperson for the TSAC and will perform such other duties applicable to the office as prescribed by the parliamentary authority adopted by the TSAC.
- b. Vice Chair, The Committee shall elect from its membership a Vice Chair who, in the absence or inability of the Chair to serve, shall have all of the powers of the Chair and shall perform all of those duties. The Vice Chair will perform such other duties from time to time as may be requested by the Chair.

### Section 2. Nomination Procedure

At the first regular Committee meeting, a Chair and a Vice Chair shall be selected. It shall be the duty of this Committee to nominate candidates who are members of the TSAC for the officers of Chair and Vice Chair.

### Section 3. Election of Officers

The Chair and Vice Chair shall be elected by majority vote to serve for one (1) year. Those elected may serve beyond one (1) year if successors have not been elected. The election shall occur at the first meeting of the calendar year.

The Chair and Vice Chair can be removed from office upon a vote of two-thirds of the TSAC.

## ARTICLE V — MEETINGS

### Section 1. Committee Meetings

Regular meetings will be held as frequently as necessary to achieve the objectives set forth in Section II above, but in no event shall the committee hold less than ~~four (4)~~ ten (10) regular meetings in a calendar year. Notice of the times and locations of the meetings will be set by the BART staff liaison at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.



## Section 2. Special Meetings

Special meetings may be called at any time by the Chair or by a majority of the TSAC members. BART staff will provide written notice required for all special meetings, with such notice may be discussed by the Committee at a special meeting.

## Section 3. Meetings Open to the Public

All regular and special meetings of the TSAC shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code 54950 et seq.). Meeting agendas shall be posted by BART staff in a public place and distributed to all members at least 72 hours before the meeting for regular meetings and 24 hours before the meeting for special meetings.

## Section 4. Quorum

A majority of the members then appointed to the TSAC shall constitute a quorum for the purposes of conducting business.

## Section 5. Voting

Each member of the TSAC has a single vote.

## Section 6. Actions

All actions of the TSAC shall be by motion passed by a majority of the members present and voting.

## Section 7. Adjournment

The TSAC may adjourn any meeting to a time and place specified in the motion of adjournment, but not beyond the next regular meeting, if any.

## **ARTICLE VIII — LIAISON WITH BART**

There shall be an ongoing liaison between BART staff and the TSAC. The BART General Manager shall designate a BART staff person to serve as liaison. The staff liaison shall prepare meeting notices, agendas, and minutes as required. BART staff shall provide information, technical assistance, and facilitation assistance during all TSAC meetings. The BART staff liaison shall serve as the custodian of records.

## ARTICLE IX — PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure (Alice Sturgis) shall govern the TSAC in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any special rules of order the TSAC may adopt. **Bylaws and any special rules of order may be reviewed every two (2) years. (Advisement by BART Legal.)**

## ARTICLE X — AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

These bylaws may be amended or repealed at any time by majority vote of the BART Board of Directors after consultation with or by recommendation of the TSAC committee.

## ARTICLE XI — TERM OF COUNCIL

The TSAC shall remain in existence until discharged by action of the BART Board of Directors or the sunset of Section 99172 of the Public Utilities Code.