

**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, January 27, 2026**

A regular meeting of the Transit Security Advisory Committee (TSAC) was held on **January 27, 2026**, convening at 4:05 p.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 Omar Farmer, Anya Gupta, and Vivek Sharma.

Member Absent: Member Ainsel Fallon and Steven Robinson.

**1. Call to Order.**

The regular meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

**1b. Introduction of New Transit Security Advisory Committee Member and**

Oath of Office: Steven Robinson – Public At-Large Representative.

Member Robinson resigned from the Transit Security Advisory Committee.

**2. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of September 23, 2025.**

Member Gupta moved that the meeting minutes of September 23, 2025, be approved. Member Sharma seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote. Ayes – 3: Members Farmer, Gupta, and Sharma. Noes – 0. Abstain – 0. Absent – 2: Members Fallon and Robinson. Vacant – 1.

**3. Public Comment.**

Chair Farmer called for public comment. No Public Comments Received.

**4. Discussion of Statistics for Prohibition Orders.**

**a. Review of Monthly Statistics for Prohibition Orders for November 2025 and December 2025.**

Deputy Chief Turner, BART's Police Department, discussed the Monthly Statistics for Prohibition Orders for November 2025 and December 2025, before the Committee. The item was discussed.

Public Comment: No Public Comments were Received.

**5. Strategic Plan, Mental Health Objectives (Chairperson Farmer). TSAC Strategic Plan Reference: Objectives: 1.7, 2.5 and Recommendations 4.5.**

**a. TSAC's Mental Health Proposal**

Chair Farmer brought up the matter of TSAC's Mental Health Proposal and Member Gupta presented the materials, before the Committee. The item was discussed.

Public Comment: No Public Comments were Received.

**6. Discussion of the 2024 Annual Prohibition Report (Chairperson Farmer) | TSAC Strategic Plan Reference: Objective 4.4.**

Chair Farmer brought up the matter of 2024 Annual Prohibition Report before the Committee. The item was discussed.

Public Comment: No Public Comments were Received.

**7. TSAC Strategic Plan Review (Chairperson Farmer).**

Chair Farmer brought up the matter of TSAC Strategic Plan Review, before the Committee. The item was discussed.

Public Comment: No Public Comments were Received.

**8. TSAC Vice Chairperson Election.**

Chair Farmer brought up the matter TSAC Vice Chairperson Election, before the Committee. The item was discussed and continued to a future TSAC meeting.

Chairperson Farmer brought the matter of Election of TSAC Vice Chairperson before the TSAC and opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair. Member Farmer nominated Member Gupta for Vice-Chair of the Transit Security Advisory Committee (TSAC) for the term 2026-2027. Nominations were closed. Member Farmer moved that Member Gupta be elected TSAC Vice Chair for the term 2026-2027. Member Sharma seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous roll call vote. The motion passed by roll call vote. Ayes – 3: Members Farmer, Gupta, and Sharma. Noes – 0. Abstain – 0. Absent – 2: Members Fallon and Robinson. Vacant – 1.

Newly elected TSAC Vice-Chairperson Gupta shared comments on the upcoming year.

Public Comment: No Public Comments were Received.

## **9. Staff Comments.**

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

Public Comment: No Public Comments were Received.

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

Chair Farmer called for Committee Member announcements and comments.

Public Comment: No Public Comments were Received.

Chair Farmer provided additional information to the Committee.

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

Chair Farmer brought the matter of the Next Meeting Agenda Items and Date before the Committee. The next meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2026, at 4:00 p.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
- 2026 Staff Presentations – BART's Departmental Presentations:
  - 1) Mili Choudhury, Senior Manager Social Services,
  - 2) Derik Calhoun- Chief Transportation Officer,
  - 3) Patrick Caceres, Interim Independent Police Auditor, and
  - 4) Alicia Trost - Chief Communications Officer.

## **11. Adjournment.**

The Meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.