

## Title VI Parking Policy Equity Analysis

2024 Parking Policy Rate/Price and Hour Extension Office of Civil Rights | May 25, 2023



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## Background

- Jan 2019 Parking Policy Update (Board Workshop)
- Feb 2020 Parking Policy Update (Board Workshop)
- Mar 2022 Board Requests Title VI Equity Analysis (Board Meeting)
- Nov 2022 OCR Initiates Title VI Equity Analysis (Board Memo)
- Apr 2023 Parking Policy Update (Board Meeting)
- May 2023 Title VI Equity Analysis Board Approval (Board Meeting)



### Overview

	Current	Proposed
Price Range		
Daily Fee (per day)	\$1 - \$3	\$3 - \$8
Single/multi-day (per day)	\$4 - \$7	\$4 - \$11
Monthly	\$63 - \$105	\$84 - \$220
Hours		
Until 3pm Weekdays		
Weekends & 3-6pm Weekdays	×	

Rates may (1) vary by station and by time of day, day of week based on occupancy and (2) increase up to 30% at a time / max every six months only when full Adjust the floor for inflation along with fares beginning in 2025.



## Title VI Process: DI/DB Analyses Methodology

- 1. All Riders (Overall demographic) analysis (Analysis 1)
  - Compare those who drive to BART against overall BART riders.
- 2. Parking product type analysis (Analysis 2)
  - Compare the weighted average maximum parking price paid by protected parkers vs. total parkers using current maximums and proposed maximums.
- 3. Parking hour extension analysis (Analysis 3)
  - Compare the percentage of protected parkers who typically park when payment is not currently required vs. total parkers who park at these times.
- 4. Public Participation (Analysis 4)
  - The consideration of public input within the analyses to determine if there is an impact.



# Title VI Process: DI/DB Analysis – All Riders (Analysis 1)

	Among Parkers*	Among All Riders
Minority	63%	67%
Non-minority	37%	33%

	Among Parkers*	Among All Riders
Low-income	17%	29%
Non-low-income	83%	71%

### No disparate impact

### No disproportionate burden

\*Parkers make up about 24% of riders. Parkers are more likely to be non-minority and non-low-income compared to BART's overall ridership.

Source: 2022 Customer Satisfaction Survey



## Title VI Process: DI/DB Analysis – Parking Product Type (Analysis 2)

#### **Price Change Across All Parking Products**

Protected Parkers vs. All Parkers

	Weighted Average Existing Maximum Parking Price*	Weighted Average Proposed Maximum Parking Price*	Percent Change	Impact/Burden (if greater than 5%)
<b>Minority Parkers</b>	\$3.28/day	\$8.24/day	151.3%	
All Parkers	\$3.37/day	\$8.33/day	147.5%	
			3.8%	Less than 5%  No disparate impact
Low-Income Parkers	\$3.21/day	\$8.17/day	154.3%	
All Parkers	\$3.37/day	\$8.33/day	147.5%	
*Weighted Average Price ac	ross all parking products		6.7%	Greater than 5%  Disproportionate  burden



# Title VI Process: DI/DB Analysis – Parking Hour Extension (Analysis 3)

#### **Across-the-Board Parking Hour Extension**

How do you usually pay for parking at BART?	Minority	All Parkers	Low-Income
Not applicable - I usually ride BART after 3 p.m. or on the weekends when parking is free	4%	6%	6%

### No disparate impact or disproportionate burden



<sup>\*</sup>Note: as this is a single response question, this analysis is based on riders who *primarily* park after 3:00 pm or on weekends.

# Title VI Process: Public Participation (Analyses 4)

- At-station outreach
- Informed parkers about the proposed policy changes and the Parking Policy Survey
  - Title VI/EJ & LEP Advisory Committees
  - LEP Serving newspaper ads
  - 6 at-station events
  - 1,269 survey responses received

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#### • Oppose:

- Minority: "·...if the parking fees went up dramatically it would no longer be competitive versus driving (for my commute and likely many others). At a certain point of increased costs I would return to driving in to work periodically, or frequently."
- Low-Income: "I am a minimum wage worker and the price of gas is hurting me financially so if the Bart fees for parking is raised this will indeed negatively impact my well being.."

#### • Support:

- Minority: "Those new proposed rates are still an absolute steal..."
- Low-Income: "I think that these changes are great because it disincentives driving and brings in more revenue for BART to work with..."

### Miscellaneous/General Comments about BART:

- Minority: "BART should be pushing to build housing on top of BART stations and getting people to avoid using single-occupancy vehicles for first-and-last-mile connections..."
- Low-Income: "Parking the way it is, is perfectly fine. Focus on other areas where Bart needs improvement, such as safety..."

# Title VI Findings: DI/DB Analysis & Proposed Mitigation (Analysis 2)

Parking Product	Existing Ceiling	Proposed Ceiling	Percent Increase	Proposed Ceiling with Mitigation	Percent Increase
Daily Fee	\$3.00/day	\$8.00/day	167%	\$6.30/day	110%
Monthly Reserved	\$105.00/month	\$220.00/month	110%	\$220.00/month	110%

- Low-income parkers are more likely to use Daily Fee than Reserved parking products.
- Lowering the Daily Fee rate ceiling allows the percent increases to be consistent across all parking products, to result in **no disproportionate burden**.



### Motion

The Board of Directors approves the Title VI Parking Policy Equity Analysis.



## Appendices

# Appendix A – Protected Populations Parking Product Usage

How do you usually pay for parking at BART?	Minority	Low-Income	All Parkers
Number of respondents	384	76	722
Daily parking fee (e.g., \$3 at most stations)	91%	94%	88%
Monthly reserved parking (i.e., monthly permit)	3%	1%	6%
Single/multi-day reserved parking (purchase in advance on the Official BART app)	5%	5%	6%



## Appendix B – Weighted Average Breakdown

					Monthly	/ (daily rate	based							
		D	aily		on 2:	1 days/mor	nth)	Sing	gle/Multi D	ay	Avera	age Fee		
	Existing	Pro	posed	Usage	Existing	Proposed	Usage	Existing	Proposed	Usage	Existing	Proposed	Percent Increase	Difference from Overall
Minority	,	•		91%		•	3%		•	5%	\$ 3.28	\$ 8.24	151.3%	3.8%
Low-Income	\$ 3.00	Ş	8.00	94%	\$ 5.00	\$ 10.48	1%	\$ 7.00	\$ 11.00	5%	\$ 3.21	\$ 8.17	154.3%	6.7%
All BART Parkers				88%			6%			6%	\$ 3.37	\$ 8.33	147.5%	

Disparate Impact or Disproportionate Burden

Does not exceed threshold

Exceeds threshold, but no impact

Exceeds threshold, and impact



## Title VI Methodology & Equity Finding

- Equity Finding
  - Disproportionate burden on protected parkers were found.

- DI/DB Analysis
  - No disparate impact on minority parkers. Disproportionate burden on low-income parkers.

- Public Input Received
  - May indicate there is a risk of inequitable outcomes.



### FTA Guidance & BART Parking Methodology

• BART considers providing parking itself to be an access amenity

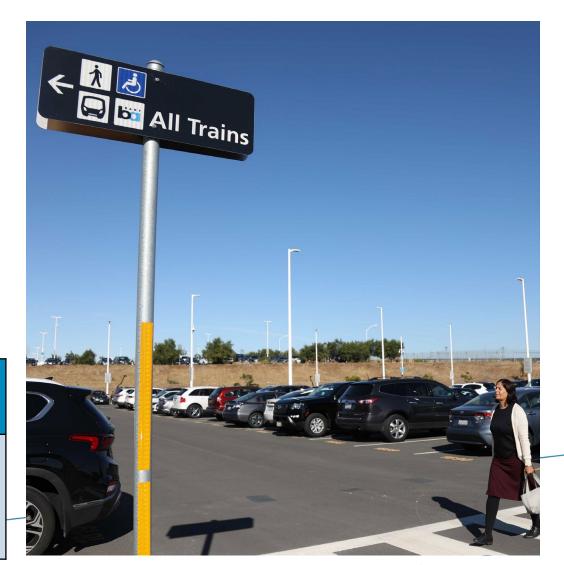
Would Require Analysis	Would Not Require Analysis
<ul> <li>Parking Fee Increase</li> <li>Advanced Reserve Parking Fee</li> <li>Purse/Wallet Feature (ex: introduction of a purse/wallet requirement)</li> <li>Parking Payment Hours</li> <li>Convenience Fees</li> <li>Payment Types</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Removal/Addition of Parking Spaces</li> <li>Removal/Addition of Parking Fee Media</li> <li>Parking Fee Platform Transfers</li> <li>Parking Fee Decreases</li> <li>Small Programs/Low Demand</li> <li>West Oakland Exception</li> <li>Parking Taxes or Fee Assessed</li> <li>Parking Programs Administered by External Agencies </li> </ul>



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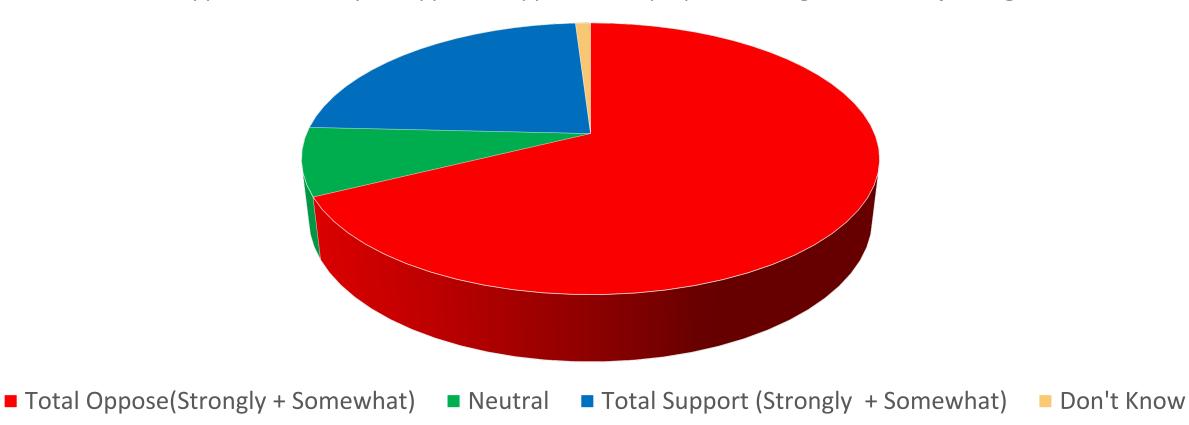
- FTA does not require equity analyses on parking and related operations
- However, FTA advises equity analyses on changes to customer's cost to access public transit
- BART considers parking as an access amenity
- BART created a methodology specifically for parking and Title VI analyses

Analysis Required -	No Analysis Required -
Examples	Examples
<ul><li>Parking fee increases</li><li>Parking payment hours</li><li>Convenience fees</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Removal/addition of parking spaces</li> <li>Parking fee decreases</li> <li>Parking taxes or fees assessed</li> </ul>



(Parking Rate/Price)

Level of Support - Q9: "Do you support or oppose these proposed changes to BART's parking rates?"



\*Note: Sample Size = 1,266



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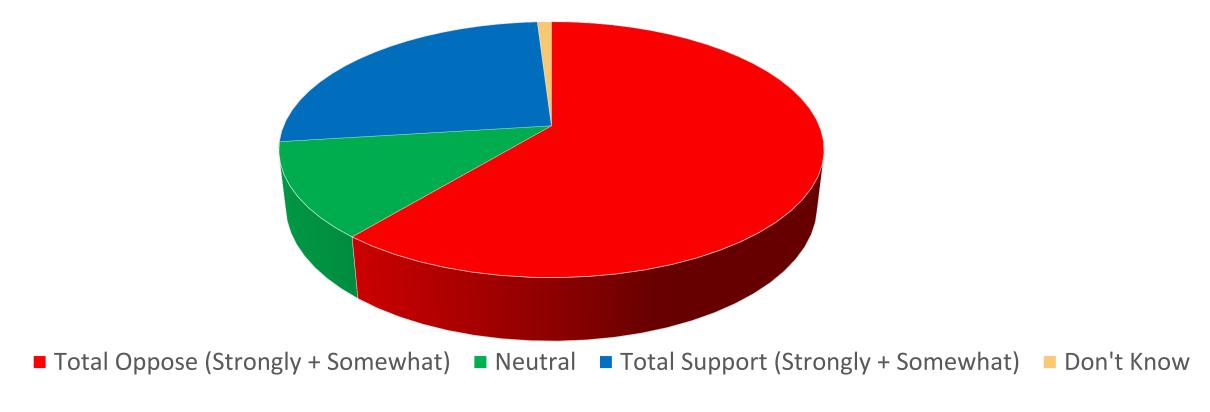
Q9: "Do you support or oppose these proposed changes to BART's parking rates?"

	<b>Total Oppose</b> (Strongly + Somewhat)	Neutral	Total Support (Strongly + Somewhat)	Don't Know	Sample Size (n)
Minority	71%	8%	20%	1%	627
Non-Minority	61%	8%	30%	1%	507
Low-Income	70%	10%	17%	3%	152
Non-Low-Income	66%	8%	25%	1%	969
TOTAL	67%	8%	23%	1%	1,266



(Hour Extension)

Level of Support - Q11: "Do you support or oppose BART expanding the hours it charges for parking?"



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	Total Oppose (Strongly + Somewhat)	Neutral	<b>Total Support</b> (Strongly + Somewhat)	Don't Know	Sample Size (n)
Minority	64%	11%	24%	1%	626
Non-Minority	55%	14%	31%	1%	508
Low-Income	67%	8%	24%	1%	152
Non-Low-Income	59%	13%	27%	1%	969
TOTAL	61%	12%	26%	1%	1,259



# Title VI Process: DI/DB Analysis – All Riders (Analysis 1)

#### Minority

	Among Minorities that Park	Among All Riders
Minority	63%	67%
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#### Low-Income

	Among Low- Income that Park	Among All Riders
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