

# **San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District**

2150 Webster Street, P. O. Box 12688, Oakland, CA 94612-2688



## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES OF THE 1,952<sup>ND</sup> MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024**

Members of the Board of Directors  
Bevan Dufty, President (District 9)  
Mark Foley, Vice President (District 2)  
Debora Allen (District 1)  
Rebecca Saltzman (District 3)  
Robert Raburn (District 4)  
John McPartland (District 5)  
Elizabeth Ames (District 6)  
Lateefah Simon (District 7)  
Janice Li (District 8)

Adopted: April 25, 2024

## **MEETING DESCRIPTION**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors was held on March 14, 2024, convening at 9:07 a.m. in the BART Board Room, 2150 Webster Street, 1st Floor, Oakland, California. President Dufty presided, April B. A. Quintanilla, District Secretary.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Dufty called the Meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

#### **A. Roll Call.**

Directors Present in Oakland: Directors Ames, Foley, Li, Raburn, Saltzman, Simon, and Dufty.

Directors Present via Teleconference: None.

Absent: Director Allen. Director McPartland entered the Meeting later.

#### **B. Pledge of Allegiance. Director Simon led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

#### **C. Introduction of Special Guests.**

- i. Bryan Carmel, Co-Founder, Oakland Ballers. (Bryan Carmel was unable to attend the Meeting.)
- ii. Paul Freedman, Co-Founder, Oakland Ballers.

President Dufty called for Introduction of Special Guests. Director Simon introduced and welcomed Paul Freedman, Co-Founder, Oakland Ballers, and Timothy Koide, Vice President of Business Operations, Oakland Ballers, and gave remarks regarding the Oakland Ballers.

Oakland Ballers Co-Founder Freedman and Business Operations Vice President Koide addressed the Board.

A special audio announcement was made by JT Snow, former San Francisco Giants first baseman and coach of the Oakland Ballers, expressing gratitude to BART employees and highlighting the convenience of using BART to attend games.

President Dufty introduced the following members of the UC Berkely Transportation Graduate Students Organizing Committee (TRANSOC), who completed a BART speed run, broke the record for the total time it takes to visit all 50 BART stations, and applied to the Guinness World Record to make this event an official category:

Winnie Zhuang  
Melody Tsao  
Ameen DaCosta  
Paul Liu  
Jacob Champlin

Mike Santos  
Chance Wen

Winnie Zhuang, Co-President, (TRANSOC), addressed the Board.

Director Saltzman congratulated the TRANSOC members on their achievement.

A photo of the TRANSOC members and Board Members was taken.

Public Comment

Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

President Dufty indicated that the order of agenda items would be changed.

**3. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Item 3 was heard after Item 1, Call to Order, due to technical difficulties.*

President Dufty called for Board Committee Reports and indicated that there were no Board Committee Reports, although the Special Personnel Committee had met.

Public Comment

No comments were received.

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

President Dufty brought the following Consent Calendar items before the Board.

- A. Approval of Minutes of the Meetings of November 16, 2023, December 7, 2023, and January 25, 2024.
- B. Recruitment and Relocation Assistance for Assistant General Manager, Administration.
- C. Change Orders to Contract No. 11IA-112, Civic Center Scissor Stairs Project, with Wickman Development and Construction.
  - i. For Realignment of Full Height Barrier.
  - ii. For Painting and Repairs to Temporary Barriers.
  - iii. For Installation of Two Closure Rails on Existing Stairs.
  - iv. For Delays and Impacts Due to Delayed Site Access, Changes to Temporary Barriers, Hazardous Material Removal, and Changes to Terrazzo Flooring.
- D. Award of Contract No. 15QJ-121, Roof Replacement at Bayfair & Fremont Stations Platform Canopies.
- E. Award of Contract No. 15QL-111, A-Line Site Improvement at Bayfair Station Parking Lot.
- F. Award of Invitation for Bid No. 9132, High Rail Inspection Crew Truck.

- G. Sole Source Agreement with CORYS for Hardware and Software Update to the D-Car Train Simulator to Reflect Communications Based Train Control Modifications.
- H. Change Order to Contract No. 40FA-110, Procurement of Transit Vehicles, with Alstom (formerly Bombardier Transit Corporation), for Train to Wayside and Wi-Fi System.
- I. Change Order to Contract No. 40FD-110, Procurement of Transit Vehicles, with Alstom (formerly Bombardier Transit Corporation), for Train to Wayside and Wi-Fi System.
- J. Rescission of Prior Award and New Award of Invitation for Bid No. 9134, Taylor-Dunn Bigfoot Carts.
- K. Amendment to the Pleasant Hill BART Station Leasing Authority Ground Lease to Allow Residential Use on Block D of the Pleasant Hill/Contra Costa Centre BART Station Transit Village.
- L. Declaration of Property as Exempt Surplus Land at North Berkeley BART Station for Transit-Oriented Development Project.

Director Saltzman moved to approve all Consent Calendar items by one motion.

Vice President Foley seconded the motion.

#### Public Comment

No comments were received.

#### Action

Upon motion by Director Saltzman and second by Vice President Foley, the Board took the following actions by unanimous roll call vote.

#### *Vote Summary:*

*Moved / Seconded: Director Saltzman / Vice President Foley*

*Aye: Directors Ames, Foley, Li, Raburn, Saltzman, Simon, and Dufty.*

*No: 0.*

*Abstain: 0.*

*Absent: Directors Allen and McPartland.*

*Result: 7-0, motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

- A. The Minutes of the Meetings of November 16, 2023, December 7, 2023, and January 25, 2024, were approved. (*Vote: 7-0*)
- B. The General Manager or his designee was authorized to execute a national recruitment and relocation assistance agreement, if necessary, to assist the District in the identification of qualified candidates both inside and outside of California for the position of Assistant General Manager, Administration in conformance with established District procedures. (*Vote: 7-0*).
- C. The General Manager was authorized to execute Change Orders to Contract No. 11IA-112, Civic Center Station Scissor Stairs, in an amount not to exceed \$1,574,563.00. (*Vote: 7-0*)

- D. The General Manager was authorized to award Contract No. 15QJ-121, Roof Replacement at Bay Fair and Fremont Stations Platform Canopies, to Stronger Building Services of San Leandro, California, for the Total Bid Price of \$3,581,200.00. *(Vote: 7-0)*
- E. The General Manager was authorized to award Contract No. 15QL-111, Bay Fair Station Pavement Rehabilitation, to Tri-Valley Excavation Co. Inc. of Sunol, California for the Total Base Bid amount of \$819,251.00. Additionally, the General Manager was authorized to exercise the option, pending availability of funding and at the District's sole discretion, for an additional \$51,055.00, bringing the total authorization to \$870,306.00. *(Vote: 7-0)*
- F. The General Manager was authorized to award Invitation for Bid (IFB) No. 9132, Hi-Rail Inspection Crew Trucks, to Custom Truck One Source of Kansas City, MO, for the amount of \$1,657,235.00 (includes all applicable sales taxes), pursuant to notification to be issued by the General Manager, and subject to compliance with the District's Protest Procedures and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) procedures related to protest. *(Vote: 7-0)*

(The foregoing action was taken on the basis of analysis by the staff and certification by the Controller-Treasurer that funds are available for this purpose.)

- G. The General Manager was authorized to execute Agreement No. 6M3697 for communications based train control (CBTC) Modifications to the D-Car Train Simulator with CORYS in an amount not to exceed \$1,743,088.00 including all applicable taxes to provide hardware and software updates for the train simulators. *(Vote: 7-0)*
- H. The General Manager was authorized to execute Change Order No. 062 for changes to the Technical Specification 15.10 - Train to Wayside and Wifi System under Contract No. 40FA- 110, Procurement of Transit Vehicles. *(Vote: 7-0)*
- I. The General Manager was authorized to execute Change Order No. 006 for changes to the Technical Specification 15.10 - Train to Wayside and Wifi System under Contract No. 40FD- 110, Procurement of Transit Vehicles. *(Vote: 7-0)*
- J. The Board rescinded its prior action authorizing award of IFB No. 9134 to TMHNC. The General Manager was authorized to award IFB No. 9134 for Taylor-Dunn Bigfoot Carts to RKU Distributing Inc., Redding, CA, for an amount of \$602,489.31 (includes all taxes), pursuant to notification to be issued by the General Manager and subject to the District's Protest Procedures. *(Vote: 7-0)*

(The foregoing action was taken on the basis of analysis by the staff and certification by the Controller-Treasurer that funds are available for this purpose.)

- K. The BART Board of Directors authorized the General Manager or his designee to enter into an amendment to the Pleasant Hill BART Station Leasing Authority (JPA) Ground Lease to allow residential use on Block D (APN 148-221-043) and to execute any and all agreements and other documents in order to effectuate the foregoing amendment. *(Vote: 7-0)*
- L. Resolution No. 5581, In the matter of declaring land owned by the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District to be exempt surplus land pursuant to Government Code section 54221(f)(1)(F)(ii), was adopted. *(Vote: 7-0)*

**5. CLOSED SESSION**

**A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT/APPOINTMENT**

Title: General Counsel

Government Code Section: 54957(b)(1)

**B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**

Agency Negotiators: President Dufty, Vice President Foley, and Director Simon

Title: General Counsel

Government Code Section: 54957.6

President Dufty brought the item before the Board and indicated that the Board would enter into Closed Session.

**Public Comment**

Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

The Board Meeting recessed at 9:31 a.m.

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The Board reconvened in Closed Session at approximately 9:32 a.m.

Directors Present in Oakland: Directors Ames, Foley, Li, Raburn, Saltzman, Simon, and Dufty.

Directors Present via Teleconference: None.

Absent: Director Allen. Director McPartland entered the Meeting later.

Director McPartland entered the Meeting in Oakland.

The Board Meeting recessed at approximately 11:15 a.m.

**6. OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 11:16 a.m.

Directors Present in Oakland: Directors Ames, Foley, Li, McPartland, Saltzman, Simon, and Dufty.

Directors Present via Teleconference: None.

Absent: Director Allen. Director Raburn entered the Meeting later.

A. Announcements from Closed Session, if any.

President Dufty announced that the Board had concluded its Closed Session under Items 5-A and 5-B and that the Board had unanimously voted to appoint Jeana Zelan Peterson as General Counsel, effective March 14, 2024.

Director Raburn entered the Meeting in Oakland.

B. Compensation and Benefits for General Counsel.

President Dufty brought the item before the Board.

Director Simon moved that the Board approve the following terms of employment for Jeana Zelan Peterson, effective March 14, 2024, which shall be incorporated in a mutually satisfactory written employment agreement for execution by Ms. Zelan Peterson and the Board President:

Service for an indefinite term at the pleasure of the Board; base salary of \$340,000.00 per year; twelve months' severance pay for involuntary termination unless a result of death or gross misconduct; mandatory arbitration of employment disputes, benefits afforded non-represented management employees and retirees; and, upon retirement, option to participate in an alternative retiree medical, dental or vision plan if Ms. Zelan Peterson relocates to an area which is not within the service area of a District-sponsored plan, provided the alternative plan is comparable in both cost and coverage to the District-sponsored plan.

Vice President Foley seconded the motion.

Action

Upon motion by Director Simon and second by Vice President Foley, the Board approved, by unanimous roll call vote, the following terms of employment for Jeana Zelan Peterson, effective March 14, 2024, which shall be incorporated in a mutually satisfactory written employment agreement for execution by Ms. Zelan Peterson and the Board President:

Service for an indefinite term at the pleasure of the Board; base salary of \$340,000.00 per year; twelve months' severance pay for involuntary termination unless a result of death or gross misconduct; mandatory arbitration of employment disputes, benefits afforded non-represented management employees and retirees; and, upon retirement, option to participate in an alternative retiree medical, dental or vision plan if Ms. Zelan Peterson relocates to an area which is not within the service area of a District-sponsored plan, provided the alternative plan is comparable in both cost and coverage to the District-sponsored plan.

*Vote Summary:*

*Moved / Seconded: Director Simon / Vice President Foley*

*Aye: Directors Ames, Foley, Li, McPartland, Raburn, Saltzman, Simon, and Dufty.*

*No: 0.*

*Abstain: 0.*

*Absent: Director Allen.*

*Result: 8-0, motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

Board Members and staff applauded General Counsel Zelan Peterson.

General Counsel Zelan Peterson expressed gratitude for the opportunity and acknowledged her commitment to serving BART and the Bay Area community.

President Dufty congratulated General Counsel Zelan Peterson, noting the historic appointment.

Robert Powers, General Manager, also congratulated General Counsel Zelan Peterson and expressed excitement about future collaboration.

Director Simon highlighted the significance of General Counsel Zelan Peterson's appointment during Women's History Month, praising her dedication and resilience and highlighting her as the first woman to be appointed BART's General Counsel.

## **2. REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT**

*Item 2 was heard before Item 7, General Manager's Report.*

President Dufty brought the item before the Board and expressed gratitude for the opportunity to discuss BART's recent visit to Washington, D.C. President Dufty noted that six directors, along with the General Manager and External Affairs staff members, met with elected officials and the Federal Transit Administration officials. President Dufty also reported on the positive reception from Congressional members and staff, noting that this reception reflects their recognition of BART's efforts to enhance safety and cleanliness and increase ridership.

### **Discussion**

The item was discussed, with the following highlights:

General Manager Powers emphasized the effectiveness of the recent meetings in Washington, D.C., noting the constructive and strategic nature of the meetings, and underscoring the importance of BART's regular engagement with federal officials. General Manager Powers also expressed confidence in the direction of BART and thanked the Board Members for their leadership in the discussions.

Director Ames highlighted the importance of building relationships and sharing information with federal representatives. Director Ames also underscored the importance of conveying the essential role of transit, especially during uncertain times, and expressed confidence that the message was effectively communicated to federal officials.

Director Saltzman emphasized the importance of continued communication with federal representatives, especially regarding the regional measure, as there is ongoing interest from them in the matter.

Director McPartland highlighted the effectiveness of returning to Washington, D.C. promptly and reinforcing previous discussions, noting that the officials they met with were well-prepared and engaged, demonstrating knowledge of previous interactions, and showing enthusiasm for the agency's initiatives.



Director Simon emphasized the significance of BART's transit-oriented development (TOD) projects, which aim to house individuals and stimulate economic growth locally, noting that every person they met with acknowledged BART's positive trajectory.

Director Raburn highlighted the importance of liaising with elected officials in Washington, D.C. and mentioned a comment made by U.S. Representative Nancy Pelosi regarding the importance of regional cooperation for transit success, a sentiment echoed by the former Secretary of Transportation, Norman Mineta.

President Dufty expressed gratitude to BART staff for their efforts to facilitate the visit to Washington, D.C.

#### Public Comment

Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

### 7. **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

- A. Report of Activities, including Updates of Operational, Administrative, and Roll Call for Introductions Items.

General Manager Powers reported on National Transit Employee Appreciation Day; the retirement ceremony and last train ride of the legacy train fleet; the ongoing track shutdown between the Richmond and El Cerrito Del Norte BART stations for infrastructure work; BART's participation in the National Society of Black Engineers event in Atlanta, Georgia, aiming to provide professional and personal development opportunities; BART's participation in the Bach in the Subway celebration; and ridership.

### 9. **PLANNING, PUBLIC AFFAIRS, ACCESS, AND LEGISLATION ITEMS**

Director Raburn, Chairperson

*Item 9 was heard before Item 8, Public Comment.*

- A. BART Transit-Oriented Development Program Work Plan Update.

Director Raburn, Chairperson of the Planning, Public Affairs, Access, and Legislation Committee, brought the item before the Board.

Carli Paine, Group Manager of Transit-Oriented Development, and Kamala Parks, Principal Planner, presented the item.

#### Public Comment

James Coleman addressed the Board.

#### Discussion

The item was discussed, with the following highlights:

Director Simon expressed concern about the challenge of securing funds for affordable housing projects, especially in her district, and acknowledged the efforts of the BART team in navigating these complexities, particularly in West Oakland and South Berkeley.

Director Raburn expressed the need for more staff resources to process additional projects related to transit-oriented development (TOD).

President Duffy indicated that there is a focus on engaging with local leaders such as South San Francisco Mayor James Coleman and Senator Josh Becker to address the housing needs in areas such as South San Francisco.

Director Li highlighted the importance of TOD in meeting Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) goals and in securing state funding and suggested exploring policies to prioritize TOD sites and leveraging relationships with state legislators to increase funding opportunities.

Director Saltzman commended staff for their efforts in developing the TOD work plan, acknowledging the challenges posed by economic factors, and inquired about the plan to disseminate the information further and ensure that elected officials are aware of the details.

Director Ames expressed desire to see more robust development around BART stations, akin to Millbrae Station, highlighting the importance of diversifying land use beyond housing and limited retail options, while advocating for a more blended housing income mix to mitigate the impact of escalating market-rate housing prices.

Director Simon exited the Meeting.

Vice President Foley inquired about staffing capacity to handle near-term and mid-term projects, the timeline for the North Concord Station project, the North Concord Station project's alignment with Brookfield's projected phase 3 work, and whether any unsolicited proposals had been received for the properties.

Director Raburn commended the thorough process involved in advancing projects to development solicitation and expressed optimism about meeting affordability targets in the future.

#### Action

No Board action was taken, as the item was presented for information only.

#### B. Update on 2024 Bay Area Regional Housing Bond.

Director Raburn brought the item before the Board.

Val Menotti, Chief Planning and Development Officer, introduced Kate Hartley, Director of the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA), who presented the item.

#### Public Comment

No comments were received.

#### Discussion

The item was discussed, with the following highlights:

Director Li inquired about the timeline for developing county-specific expenditure plans, how transit districts are incorporated in the expenditure plan creation process, re-allocating funding, and ensuring a balance in distributing funds to counties and jurisdictions.

Director Saltzman highlighted the importance of a housing bond in meeting BART's goals, noting that the funding would incentivize areas that have not built housing previously to do so, particularly in counties such as Contra Costa where local funding for affordable housing has been lacking.

Director Raburn emphasized the significance of addressing the housing needs of the 3.5 million low-income residents in the Bay Area and inquired whether there will be compliance requirements for allocation of funds.

Director Ames inquired about using funding to add average median income homes on BART property; highlighted the importance of the jobs-housing nexus; and noted that by not building housing for average median income residents, people become super commuters from areas like the Central Valley, impacting quality of life and creating environmental problems.

President Dufty expressed gratitude for the regional housing measure's impact on regional transportation planning and highlighted how the housing measure will inform future regional transportation efforts.

#### Action

No Board action was taken, as the item was presented for information only.

### 8. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Item 8 was heard before Item 10, Administration Items.*

President Dufty called for general Public Comment, an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board of Directors on matters under their jurisdiction and not on the agenda.

Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

The Board Meeting recessed at 1:11 p.m.

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The Board reconvened at 1:33 p.m.

Directors Present in Oakland: Directors Ames, Foley, Li, McPartland, Raburn, Saltzman, and Dufty.

Directors Present via Teleconference: None.

Absent: Directors Allen and Simon.

### 10. **ADMINISTRATION ITEMS** **Director Li, Chairperson**

A. Fiscal Year 2024 Second Quarter Financial Report.

Director Li, Chairperson of the Administration Committee, brought the item before the Board. Pamela Herhold, Assistant General Manager, Administration; Christopher Simi, Director of Budgets; and Christopher Gan, Interim Controller-Treasurer, presented the item.

Public Comment

Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

Discussion

The item was discussed, with the following highlights:

Vice President Foley inquired about net passenger revenue and debt service payments and the impact of recognizing individuals as operating rather than capital expenses on the cost neutrality of service changes and energy costs.

Director Ames sought clarification on the optimization of work schedules and its impact on emergency operations.

Director Li expressed appreciation for the transparency in the budget presentation and thanked the presenters.

President Dufty commended the presenters for their work and the discussants for leading a positive and productive conversation.

Action

No Board action was taken, as the item was presented for information only.

11. **ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS ITEMS**

Director Simon, Chairperson

A. Surveillance Impact Reports for Multiple Projects: BART Closed Circuit Television and Public Emergency Phone Towers.

Director Ames, Vice Chairperson of the Engineering and Operations Committee, brought the item before the Board.

Mariana Parreiras, Project Manager, Stations, presented the item.

Public Comment

Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

Discussion

The item was discussed, with the following highlights:

Director Ames expressed support for the use of technology.

President Dufty requested that staff discuss the emergency phone towers and highlighted the positive experience with a trial installation at Coliseum Station in the East Bay.

Director Raburn mentioned the presentation of a SMART grant request for unmanned aerial systems during the legislative advocacy trip in Washington, D.C., suggesting it falls under the surveillance and use report.

Director Raburn moved to approve the staff recommendation.

President Dufty seconded the motion.

### Action

Upon motion by Director Raburn and second by President Dufty, the Board took the following actions by unanimous roll call vote:

For the Dublin/Pleasanton Access Improvements Project (Project #57RR202), the Board found that the benefits of the proposed new BART Closed Circuit Television (BCCTV) and the Public Emergency Phone Towers (PEPT) technologies outweigh the costs and concerns hereto. The General Manager or his designee was authorized to proceed with their use as described in the attached Surveillance Impact Report with Document Control Numbers ME-BCCTV- SIR-03 and ME-BPEPT-SIR-02, which we found will reasonably safeguard civil liberties and civil rights.

For the Market Street Entry Canopies Project (Project #15LK001), the Board found that the benefits of the proposed new BART Closed Circuit Television (BCCTV) technology outweigh the costs and concerns hereto. The General Manager or his designee was authorized to proceed with its use as described in the attached Surveillance Impact Report with Document Control Number ME-BCCTV-SIR-04, which we found will reasonably safeguard civil liberties and civil rights.

For the Balboa Park Station East Side Improvement & Plaza Project (Project #11OG002), the Board found that the benefits of the proposed new BART Closed Circuit Television (BCCTV) technology outweigh the costs and concerns hereto. The General Manager or his designee was authorized to proceed with its use as described in the attached Surveillance Impact Report with Document Control Number ME-BCCTV-SIR-05, which we found will reasonably safeguard civil liberties and civil rights.

For the Colton Vent Structure Site (Permit #M-09.2-010-SF), the Board found that the benefits of the proposed new BART Closed Circuit Television (BCCTV) technology outweigh the costs and concerns hereto. The General Manager or his designee was authorized to proceed with its use as described in the attached Surveillance Impact Report with Document Control Number ME-BCCTV-SIR-06, which we found will reasonably safeguard civil liberties and civil rights.

For the In-Station CCTV Cameras (3 San Francisco stations) (Project #79PB000), the Board found that the benefits of the proposed new BART Closed Circuit Television (BCCTV) technology outweigh the costs and concerns hereto. The General Manager or his designee was authorized to proceed with its use as described in the attached Surveillance Impact Report with Document Control Number ME-

BCCTV-SIR-07, which we found will reasonably safeguard civil liberties and civil rights.

For the In-Station CCTV Cameras (31 stations, phased) (Project #79PD000), the Board found that the benefits of the proposed new BART Closed Circuit Television (BCCTV) technology outweigh the costs and concerns hereto. The General Manager or his designee was authorized to proceed with its use as described in the attached Surveillance Impact Report with Document Control Number ME-BCCTV-SIR-08, which we found will reasonably safeguard civil liberties and civil rights.

*Vote Summary:*

*Moved / Seconded: Director Raburn / President Dufty*

*Aye: Directors Ames, Foley, Li, McPartland, Raburn, Saltzman, and Dufty.*

*No: 0.*

*Abstain: 0.*

*Absent: Directors Allen and Simon.*

*Result: 7-0, motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

B. BART Employee Safety Update.

Director Ames brought the item before the Board.

Michael Jones, Deputy General Manager, and Kevin Franklin, Chief of Police, presented the item.

Public Comment

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Olivia Spicer  
Jesse Hunt  
Aleta Dupree

Discussion

The item was discussed, with the following highlights:

Director Saltzman suggested involving local officials from Oakland and Alameda in safety coordination efforts and inquired about the use of shuttles, advocating for prioritizing walking and biking to promote a safer environment.

Director McPartland expressed interest in completing the online de-escalation training and inquired about the costs and timelines associated with implementing additional staffing for high-visibility patrols around BART Headquarters.

Vice President Foley commended the collaborative effort of various departments in devising a thorough plan to address the issue and inquired about the coverage during weekend day shifts for employees who need to report to work.

Director Li emphasized the importance of prioritizing employee safety and highlighted the larger issue of safety in downtown Oakland, suggesting that it is ultimately a responsibility shared by government agencies and companies alike.

President Dufty noted that the initiatives presented are part of a toolbox, indicating that they are not set in stone and may require adjustments based on their effectiveness; commended the efforts of all involved; and expressed confidence that the Board will continue to monitor and refine the strategies as needed.

Action

No Board action was taken, as the item was presented for information only.

**12. BOARD MATTERS**

- A. Board Member Reports.
- B. Roll Call for Introductions.
- C. In Memoriam.

President Dufty called for Items 12-A, Board Member Reports; 12-B, Roll Call for Introductions; and 12-C, In Memoriam.

Director Ames expressed gratitude for being included in the recent trip to Washington, D.C.

Director Saltzman mentioned that she would be working on potential changes to the BART Board Rules based on issues that arose during the Washington, D.C. trip, and invited interested Board Members to advise her if they have any changes they wish to pursue.

Vice President Foley highlighted an upcoming Concord City Council meeting regarding the development of the Concord Naval Weapons Station and proposed seeking grant funding for platform screening design.

President Dufty commended and recognized the team responsible for broadcasting Board Meetings and thanked them for their efforts in making the meetings accessible to the public.

Director Raburn reported on attending the Hayward State of the City Address and the trip to Washington, D.C., and requested that the Meeting be adjourned in honor of Maurilio León, a respected community leader and Chief Executive Officer of the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The Meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m. in honor of Maurilio León.

April B. A. Quintanilla  
District Secretary