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Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting

San Mateo County Transit District

Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor
1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA

May 28, 2025, 6:30 pm

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SamTrans Citizens Advisory Committee Members 2025: Mary Adler, Steve Appenrodt, John Baker, Allison Chang, Hana Estalilla, Dylan Finch, Alex Madrid (Chair), Ben Mangiafico, Max Mautner (Vice Chair), David Rabinovich, Denise Seibert

Staff Liaison: Ana Rivas, Director, Bus Transportation

CAC Secretary: Jean Brook

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Wednesday, May 28, 2025

6:30 pm

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
2. New and Continuing CAC Members
3. Roll Call
4. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda
Comments by each individual speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes. Items raised that require a response will be deferred for staff reply.
5. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 30, 2025
6. Presentation: 2024 SamTrans Triennial Survey and Key Findings – Julian Jest, Manager, Market Research and Development
7. Report of the Chair
8. SamTrans Staff Update – Ana Rivas
9. CAC Member Comments/Requests
10. SamTrans Board Liaison Report – Max Mautner
11. Date and Time of Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 25, 2025 at 6:30 pm, via Zoom teleconference and in person at the San Mateo County Transit District, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA.
12. Adjourn

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Location of Meeting

This meeting will be held in person at: San Mateo County Transit District, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA. Members of the public may attend in-person or participate remotely via Zoom as per the information provided at the top of the agenda.

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**San Mateo County Transit District
1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, California**

**Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)
Meeting Minutes**

DRAFT April 30, 2025

Members Present (In Person): M. Adler, S. Appenrodt, J. Baker, H. Estalilla, D. Finch, D. Rabinovich, D. Seibert, B. Mangiafico, M. Mautner (Vice Chair), A. Madrid (Chair)

Members Absent: S. Johnston

Staff Present: J. Brook, C. Halls, A. Rivas

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Alex Madrid called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

CAC Secretary Jean Brook called the roll and noted that a quorum was present.

3. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda – There were none.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 26, 2025

Motion/Second: Mautner/Baker

Ayes: Adler, Appenrodt, Baker, Estalilla, Finch, Rabinovich, Seibert, Mangiafico, Mautner, Madrid

Absent: Johnston

5. Presentation: Dumbarton Busway Feasibility Study

Cassie Halls, Major Corridors Manager, Planning, provided the presentation, which included the following:

- Background of rail corridor and proposed busway
- Most recent partnership between District and Facebook/Meta terminated in 2021, now largely unused
- Barrier limiting mobility between East Palo Alto and neighboring communities
- Significant costs associated with regional rail, busway is more cost-effective
- Benefit local communities, including equity priority areas.
- Connect EPA to Menlo Park, North Fair Oaks, Redwood City; open to future rail use
- Examples of active busways in Los Angeles, University of Minnesota, and Monterey
- Cost-effective, active transportation infrastructure, flexible, environmentally friendly using zero-emission buses
- Feasibility study will lay roadmap for project
- Community engagement plan

The Committee had a discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee comments and questions, which included the following:

- Busway to be 100 feet wide for vehicles and multi-use paths; feasibility plan to decide who will operate service
- Rail lines to remain intact for potential future use
- MTC (Metropolitan Transportation Commission) is looking at bus on shoulder for the Dumbarton Express bus
- Design alternatives to connect to Redwood City transit center; also working with Grand Boulevard Initiative
- Bike access paths across tracks
- Rail lines currently owned by Union Pacific; few maintenance areas but mainly underutilized
- SamTrans owns the land and Union Pacific owns trackage rights

Public Comment

Allison Chang, San Carlos, expressed support for the busway but that it not be co-opted by private vehicles to maintain safety for active transportation and allow for green spaces.

6. Report of the Chair

Chair Madrid stated that the Committee members had successful small group meetings last week with Ana Rivas, Director, Bus Transportation, and Shayna van Hoften, Legal Counsel, where they discussed the role of CAC members followed by a question-and-answer session.

7. SamTrans Staff Update

Ana Rivas, Director, Bus Transportation, reviewed her report, which included the following:

- Average weekday ridership increased 6 percent since last year
- Ridership recovery is at 89.9 percent of pre-pandemic levels
- Key performance indicators for Ride Plus and Youth Unlimited pass
- Safety campaign
- Employees of the month
- New fleet projections
- Coastside bus service study
- One-year assessment of Route FCX (Foster City Express) by operations planning; to conduct full rider survey later this year
- New ad cards on buses promoting CAC

Mr. Baker – suggested having a one-off transfer between the FCX and Route 292.

8. CAC Member Comments/Requests

- Route ECR Owl service to SFO (San Francisco International Airport)
- Display screens at bus stops
- Informal student poll about improving transportation options
- City tree planting near bus stops

9. SamTrans Board Liaison Report

Vice Chair Max Mautner provided a summary of the April 2 SamTrans Board meeting.

10. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Wednesday, May 28, 2025 at 6:30 pm via Zoom teleconference and in person at the San Mateo County Transit District, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA.

11. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

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SamTrans CAC TENTATIVE Upcoming Topics – 2025*

TOPIC	MEETING DATE
Customer Satisfaction Surveys	May 28
Bus Stop Amenity Refresh Project Update	June 25
Ride Plus Service Evaluation	July 30
Zero-emission Fleet Transition	August 27
Safety and Security	September 24
TBD	October 29
TBD	November 19
<i>No Meeting</i>	December 31

*Topics and dates subject to change