

SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – NOTICE AND AGENDA
10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2026

The Board of Directors of the San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) will hold a special meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, March 30, 2026, in the Boardroom of RTD's Downtown Transit Center, 421 East Weber Avenue, Stockton, California. Please visit <https://sanjoaquinrtd.com/board-of-directors/board-meeting-agendas-and-minutes/> for an electronic copy of this document. Materials related to an item on this agenda packet are available for public inspection at the above address.

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The RTD Board of Directors may take action on each item on the agenda. The action may consist of the recommended action, a related action, or no action. Staff recommendations are subject to action and/or change by the Board of Directors.

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. MOMENT OF SILENCE/REFLECTION
3. SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT
4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
5. ROLL CALL
6. INFORMATION ON PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public is encouraged to comment on each Agenda Item as it is presented to the RTD Board of Directors. All non-agenda public comments on items not on the agenda will occur under Agenda Item 12.

7. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
Election of the Vice Chair.
8. REPORTS
 - A. INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE
Interim CEO Kimberly Turner will provide an oral update on matters of relevance to RTD.
 - B. FINANCIAL UPDATE
Director of Procurement Thomas Dempsey will provide the February financial report.
9. INFORMATION ITEMS
Written reports are provided for information only. Staff will be available to answer any questions.
 - A. MARKETING UPDATE
Report covering marketing activities.
 - B. FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
Report of Federal Legislative Updates prepared by Capital Edge Advisory, Inc.
 - C. STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
Report of State Legislative Updates prepared by Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange.
 - D. GRANTS ACTIVITY REPORT
Report of current and pending grants as of March 27, 2026.
 - E. UPDATE OF SOLICITATIONS
Report of current and anticipated solicitations.
 - F. UPDATE OF CAPITAL PROGRAM
Report of capital project activity as of February 28, 2026.
 - G. RTD BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT
Receive the Chair's appointment to the Finance and Audit Committee.
10. CONSENT CALENDAR
 - A. MOTION: APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 9, 2026, SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Board approval of minutes.

- B. MOTION: APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 13, 2026, SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Board approval of minutes.
- C. MOTION: APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 20, 2026, REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Board approval of minutes.
- D. MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CEO TO AMEND THE CURRENT THREE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH PLATINUM SECURITY, INC. FOR UNARMED SECURITY GUARD SERVICES FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,880,000 AND TO EXTEND CONTRACT SERVICES THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026
Board authorization of \$580,000 contract extension.
- E. MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CEO TO COMPLETE THE FLEET UPGRADE FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF COMPUTER-AIDED DISPATCH/AUTOMATIC VEHICLE LOCATION (CAD/AVL) HARDWARE RETROFITS. THE VONTAS CONTRACT AMOUNT WILL NOT EXCEED \$747,747
Board authorization of a purchase order to Vontas.
- F. MOTION: RESCINDING THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED SUBMISSION OF THE UNION TRANSFER STATION EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (EOC) PROJECT FOR THE "ONE VOICE" 2026 ADVOCACY AGENDA TO SJCOG. FURTHER, APPROVING THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO REPLACE THE EOC PROJECT WITH THE HYBRID ELECTRIC BUS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,400,000, AND THAT THIS REQUEST BE SUBMITTED TO SJCOG FOR INCLUSION IN THE "ONE VOICE" 2026 ADVOCACY AGENDA
Board approval rescinding the EOC Project and replacing it with the Hybrid Electric Bus Replacement Project and submission to SJCOG.
- G. RESOLUTION: DELEGATING ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS RELATIVE TO THE HANDLING OF CLAIMS SIGNATURE AUTHORITY FROM THE INTERIM CEO TO THE SAFETY, SECURITY, AND RISK MANAGEMENT CHIEF
Board approval delegating administrative functions relative to claims.
- H. RESOLUTION: APPROVING THE LIST OF PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT'S (RTD) BANK OF STOCKTON ACCOUNTS, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY TREASURY ACCOUNTS, DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT PLAN ACCOUNTS, 457(b) DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN, AND 401(a) DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN
Board approval of authorized signatories.

11. ACTION ITEMS

- A. MOTION: AUTHORIZING ESTIMATED BOARD TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026
Board authorization of upcoming 2026 Board member travel and estimated travel expenses.

- B. MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CEO TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT WITH GILLIG LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL HYBRID ELECTRIC BUSES THROUGH THE STATE OF WASHINGTON COOPERATIVE CONTRACT AND INCREASE THE CONTRACT BY \$12,400,000 WITH A NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$44,800,000. THIS PURCHASE ALSO INCLUDES PRODUCER PRICE INDEX (PPI) ADJUSTMENTS, CAD/AVL EQUIPMENT UPGRADES, AND CONTINGENCIES
Board authorization of contract amendment with Gillig LLC for \$12,400,000.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

All public comments shall be limited to no more than THREE MINUTES. In addition, applause, loud noises, or any other outbursts or disruptions from the audience are not allowed during or after public comment. Those who violate this protocol may be removed from the meeting at the presiding officer's discretion.

13. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS AND STAFF

14. CLOSED SESSION – Conference with Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: San Joaquin Regional Transit District v. San Joaquin Council of Governments

15. OPEN SESSION -- CLOSED SESSION REPORT (LEGAL COUNSEL)

16. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING WILL BE ON FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2026, AT 10:00 A.M.

DATE POSTED: MARCH 27, 2026



LEAD STAFF: JULIE SHERMAN, LEGAL COUNSEL

REPORT: ELECTION OF THE VICE CHAIRPERSON OF THE SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT (RTD) BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026

I. SUMMARY

- Per section 4.02 of RTD's Rules of Procedure, an election for a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson must occur annually at the first regular Board meeting in January.
- The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall serve from the end of the meeting at which they are elected to through the first regular meeting in January of the succeeding year.
- There will be no change in the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, other than in January, unless it is necessary to fill a position or upon the request of three Directors.
- It is necessary to fill the vacant Vice Chairperson position.
- The election of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall be conducted by the Secretary.

II. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

Article IV of the Rules of Procedure for RTD which was revised on January 1, 2025 states:

The officers of the Board of Directors are a Chairperson, a Vice Chairperson, and a Secretary.

The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall be elected every year at the first regular meeting of the Board in January from among the Directors. The individuals serving as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson are not prohibited from serving in those roles for consecutive years, if elected to do so.

The election of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson pursuant to these Rules of Procedure shall be conducted by the Secretary.

The term of office of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall commence at the close of the meeting at which the election is held and shall continue to the first regular meeting in January of the succeeding year at which time a successor has been elected. Provided, however, there shall be no change in the officers, other than in January, unless (a) it is necessary to fill or (b) upon the written request to the Secretary by three Directors. At least seven days' written notice of the intent to elect new officers shall be given by the Secretary to all Directors.

The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and shall perform such duties as ordered by the Board or prescribed by law. In the Chairperson's absence or inability to act, the Vice Chairperson shall preside at all sessions of the Board and shall have such other duties as normally performed by the Chairperson.

The Board will consider election of a new Vice Chairperson due to the recent vacancy.

III. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This recommendation aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 1 and 4.

Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

IV. CUSTOMER IMPACT

N/A

V. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

N/A

VI. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

No alternatives to consider as this is required by RTD's Rules of Procedure.

VIII. ATTACHMENTS

N/A

Prepared by: Erica Aguiniga, Executive and Board Support Senior Specialist



LEAD STAFF: KIMBERLY TURNER, INTERIM CEO

REPORT: INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE

1. **Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) Local #256 Meet and Greet (March 5, 2026):** Interim CEO Kimberly Turner, Director of Human Resources Noël Mink, ATU President Crystal McGee Lee, Union Job Stewards
2. **San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) Board Meeting (February 26, 2026):** Interim CEO Kimberly Turner, Board Chair Derek Graves
3. **SJCOG Management and Finance Committee Meeting (March 18, 2026):** Interim CEO Kimberly Turner
4. **SJCOG Meet and Greet (March 9, 2026):** Interim CEO Kimberly Turner, Board Chair Derek Graves, Board Member Geneva Moorad, SJCOG Executive Director Diane Nguyen, City of Stockton Mayor/SJCOG Board Chair Christina Fugazi, City of Ripon Councilmember Leo Zuber
5. **Union Transfer Station (UTS) Tour with Staff (March 12, 2026) Route 44 Ride to Promote Service #NoEmptyBuses:** Interim CEO Kimberly Turner, Safety, Security, and Risk Management Chief, Curtis Moses, Facilities Superintendent John Coose
6. **Route 40 Ride Along (March 24, 2026) to Promote Service #NoEmptyBuses:** Interim CEO Kimberly Turner

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LEAD STAFF: THOMAS DEMPSEY, DIRECTOR OF PROCUREMENT

REPORT: FINANCIAL UPDATE

I. SUMMARY

- A brief analysis of San Joaquin RTD’s financial status is prepared monthly to inform the Board of Directors regarding RTD’s actual revenues and expenses in relation to the adopted operating budget for the fiscal year.
- Cash inflows, outflows, and projections are also included.
- Update on FY2024 and FY2025 payroll information reconstruction.

II. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

The Operating Revenue and Expense Summary for the fiscal year ending February 28, 2026, is attached. The fiscal year (FY) is 66.67% complete.

Revenues

Passenger fare revenues are higher than the budgeted due to increased 31-Day Adult Fare bus pass sales. Advertising revenue is showing lower than the budget because RTD receives a base amount per the contract, and any revenue above the base will be paid to RTD at year-end. All other revenue accounts have been accrued for the eight (8) months of the fiscal year in accordance with the budget. Overall, actual total revenues are slightly above budgeted levels.

Expenses

Total expenses are under budget, primarily due to savings from reduced labor and fringe costs associated with vacant positions. Utility costs exceeded the budget due to the solar power structure being offline for five (5) months, which increased electricity expenses. The solar system was restored to operation in December 2025. Tax expenses are higher than budgeted because fuel taxes are higher than projected. Expenditures on services, materials and supplies, insurance, purchased- transportation, and miscellaneous items were below budget.

Cash Basis

The fiscal year-to-date cash flow is negative because Federal Section 5307 and Section 5311, and Local Transportation Funds (LTF) operating subsidies for FY2026 have not yet been received. Applications for FY2025 section 5307 and FY2026 5311 are currently in progress. RTD anticipates LTF operating subsidies to be paid beginning in April 2026. The reserves were used to cover the cash shortfall and will be replenished when funding is received.

The 12-month cash flow projection includes capital and operating cash inflows and outflows.

ERP System Restoration Update

Protiviti, the third-party contractor responsible for restoring RTD's payroll information, has completed the system upload of regular payroll payments for FY2024. They will continue resolving the remaining FY2024 special payroll payments by the end of March 2026 and will begin work on FY2025 payroll information.

RTD Finance staff have completed the restoration of all other FY2024 financial information in preparation for the external audit and have begun work on the FY2025 financial information restoration.

III. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This report aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 3 and 4.

Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

IV. CUSTOMER IMPACT

The financial update affirms that RTD has the necessary resources to complete projects that serve and benefit its customers.

V. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

The fiscal year-to-date deficit totals \$9,656,731 due to a revenue shortfall. The FY2026 Budget will be revised, and the reserves will be used to address this shortfall. This revision will be presented in a separate report in May 2026.

VI. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

There are no alternatives to consider as this is a monthly financial report.

VIII. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Current month and fiscal year-to-date financial report for the period ending February 28, 2026

Prepared by: Maria Berberich, Finance Senior Specialist



Attachment A
Cover Page

San Joaquin RTD
FY2026 Revenue & Expense Summary
For the Period Ending February 28, 2026

	Current Month				FYTD				Adopted Fiscal Year Budget	FYTD Cash Flow (amounts in 000's)	
	Actual	Budget	(fav/unfav) Variance \$	(fav/unfav) Variance %	Actual	Budget	(fav/unfav) Variance \$	(fav/unfav) Variance %		OPERATING	CAPITAL
REVENUES											
PASSENGER FARES	\$ 241,031	\$ 231,299	9,732	4%	\$ 1,888,594	\$ 1,850,390	38,204	2%	\$ 2,775,585	1,889	-
NON-TRANSPORTATION REVENUES	225,157	227,703	(2,546)	-1%	1,823,971	1,821,621	2,350	0%	2,732,432	2,630	-
FEDERAL GRANTS (5307)	883,139	883,139	0	0%	7,065,112	7,065,112	(0)	0%	10,597,668	1,048	-
FEDERAL GRANTS (5311)	43,180	43,180	(0)	0%	345,442	345,442	0	0%	518,163	-	-
PROPERTY TAXES	133,880	133,880	0	0%	1,071,037	1,071,037	(0)	0%	1,606,556	839	-
TDA - LTF	1,404,774	1,404,774	(0)	0%	11,238,193	11,238,193	0	0%	16,857,289	542	17,383
TDA - STA	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0%	-	-	1,540
LCTOP	144,685	144,685	(0)	0%	1,157,483	1,157,483	(0)	0%	1,736,225	1,736	-
SB125	-	2,050,116	(2,050,116)	-100%	-	16,400,927	-	-	24,601,390	-	-
MEASURE K	475,682	475,770	(88)	0%	3,804,779	3,806,163	(1,384)	0%	5,709,244	2,850	-
CAPITAL PROJECTS CASH INFLOW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,123
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 3,551,528	\$ 5,594,546	(2,043,018)		\$ 28,394,611	\$ 44,756,368	39,170		\$ 67,134,552		
CASH INFLOW OPERATING & CAPITAL										11,533	23,046
TOTAL CASH INFLOW										34,579	
EXPENSES											
WAGES AND FRINGE BENEFITS	3,366,627	3,725,354	358,727	10%	25,042,454	29,802,833	4,760,379	16%	44,704,249	26,935	-
SERVICES	594,455	707,375	112,920	16%	5,149,825	5,659,000	509,175	9%	8,488,500	4,854	-
MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	275,446	396,339	120,893	31%	2,682,643	3,170,712	488,069	15%	4,756,068	4,095	-
UTILITIES	81,331	101,491	20,160	20%	928,433	811,929	(116,504)	-14%	1,217,894	1,388	-
INSURANCE	143,895	192,675	48,780	25%	1,269,765	1,541,403	271,638	18%	2,312,105	1,972	-
TAXES	30,215	32,341	2,126	7%	262,103	258,726	(3,377)	-1%	388,089	262	-
PURCHASED TRANSPORTATION	262,316	279,332	17,016	6%	2,084,778	2,234,653	149,874	7%	3,351,979	1,976	-
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	68,724	117,972	49,248	42%	631,342	943,779	312,437	33%	1,415,668	631	-
OPERATING CONTINGENCY	-	41,667	-	-	-	333,333	333,333	100%	500,000	-	-
CAPITAL PROJECTS CASH OUTFLOW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,932
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 4,823,009	\$ 5,594,546	771,537		\$ 38,051,343	\$ 44,756,368	6,705,025		\$ 67,134,552		
CASH OUTFLOW OPERATING & CAPITAL										42,114	2,932
TOTAL CASH OUTFLOW										45,046	
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(\$1,271,481)	\$0	(\$1,271,481)		(\$9,656,731)	\$0	\$6,744,195		-	-10,467	
Reserves used to cover the operating shortfall	\$1,271,481				\$9,656,731						
Remaining Revenue (Deficit)	-				-						



**LEAD STAFF: MAXIMILIAN CAO, SUPERVISOR OF MARKETING AND
CUSTOMER ENGAGEMENT**

REPORT: MARKETING UPDATE

I. SUMMARY

- This staff report provides the Board of Directors (Board) with an update on recent marketing activities, rider communication initiatives, and community outreach efforts.
- The Marketing Department continues to support RTD’s operational goals by promoting new rider tools, educating the public on service improvements, and strengthening relationships with community partners.
- Highlights include recognition of Transit Driver Appreciation Day and employee engagement efforts that honor the contributions of RTD operators.
- RTD launched Tap N’ Ride, a contactless fare payment system that improves boarding efficiency and provides riders with convenient payment options.
- RTD Now continues to gain awareness among riders as a real-time bus arrival tool, generating strong engagement across digital platforms and positive feedback from users.
- RTD also participated in community events that increase visibility of public transit and maintain connections with residents, businesses, and local organizations throughout the region.

II. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

Marketing and outreach efforts continue to support RTD’s mission to provide reliable, accessible, and customer-focused transit service throughout San Joaquin County. The Marketing Department works closely with internal departments and community partners to communicate service improvements, promote new rider tools, and strengthen public awareness of RTD programs and services. The following updates highlight recent initiatives focused on rider education, employee recognition, and community engagement.

Transit Driver Appreciation Day

On Tuesday, March 17, RTD recognized Transit Driver Appreciation Day to honor the hard work and dedication of its bus operators. Operators play a critical role in safely transporting thousands of riders each day while maintaining reliable service across the region.

The recognition event included meals prepared by the Employee Engagement Committee and members of the management team. Riders participated by

submitting messages of appreciation, which was compiled into a video montage highlighting the positive impact operators have on the community.

Tap N' Ride Contactless Payment

In mid-April, RTD plan to launch Tap N' Ride, a contactless fare payment system designed to improve boarding efficiency and payment convenience for riders. The system allows customers to pay fares using smartphones or contactless credit and debit cards. Tap N' Ride will also supports fare capping, ensuring riders do not pay more than the cost of a daily or monthly pass. Early rider feedback indicates positive reception, with many customers noting the ease of use and faster boarding experience.

RTD plans to continue to promote Tap N' Ride through social media, email communications, website, community outreach events, and presentations with local chambers of commerce and community-based organizations. These outreach efforts support rider education and strengthen relationships with community partners.

RTD Now Update

RTD Now continues to gain traction among riders seeking real-time bus arrival information. Since launch on February 20, the campaign has generated nearly 370,000 impressions and more than 5,300 engagements across RTD's digital platforms. Daily interactions with RTD Now promotional content average approximately 500 engagements across all platforms combined.

Community leaders including Mayor Fugazi, Councilmember Mario Enriquez, and former San Joaquin County Supervisor Miguel Villapudua have engaged positively with the campaign online. Rider feedback has also been encouraging, with users frequently commenting that the platform is easy to use and helps them better plan their trips.

RTD Community Engagement Activities:

- Ripon 64th Annual Almond Blossom Festival Parade – February 22
- Chinese New Year Festival at St. Baptist Church – March 14

III. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This report aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 2 and 5.

Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

IV. CUSTOMER IMPACT

Marketing and outreach efforts help ensure riders are aware of new tools, service improvements, and payment options. These initiatives support clearer communication with customers and improve the overall rider experience.

V. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

None.

VI. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

None.

VIII. ATTACHMENTS

None.

Prepared by: Maximilian Cao, Supervisor of Marketing and Customer Engagement

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LEAD STAFF: CHRIS GIGLIO, CAPITAL EDGE ADVISORY, INC.

REPORT: FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

FY 2026 USDOT BUDGET

February 3, 2026: The President signed into law a package of FY 2026 budget bills, including one for the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), that will fund those agencies through September 30, 2026.

Final funding levels for most programs at USDOT match those that were authorized in the five-year reauthorization of surface transportation programs as part of the 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). Final funding levels for some programs pertinent to RTD include:

- \$14.6 billion for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula programs (+2% over FY25)
- \$1 billion for Low and No Emissions Vehicles competitive grants at FTA (same as FY25)
- \$662 million for Bus and Bus Facilities formula grants at FTA (same)
- \$490 million for Bus and Bus Facilities competitive grants at FTA (same)
- \$1 billion for Safe Streets and Roads for All competitive grants (same)
- \$1.65 billion for BUILD program competitive grants (-\$200m)

Impact on RTD: Approval of the final USDOT budget should soon bring the apportionment and allocation of federal formula funds to RTD and allow USDOT announcements for competitive programs for which RTD can compete.

TRANSPORTATION REAUTHORIZATION

February 2026: The authorization of federal highway, transit, and rail programs through the 2021 infrastructure law are scheduled to expire on September 30, 2026. While many federal programs can be funded annually without formal authorization, that is not the case with many USDOT programs, as the funding to the Highway Trust Fund must be authorized to allow funds to flow to those USDOT programs.

Congressional committees and the USDOT have been collecting proposals for a new multi-year surface transportation reauthorization over the last several months, with reports that some may be unveiled in the Spring of 2026. If history is a guide, however, some short term extensions will likely be necessary before Congress can finalize a comprehensive reauthorization of transportation programs.

Impact on RTD: Information purposes only at this time.

FEDERAL GRANT OPPORTUNITIES, AWARDS & NOTICES

March 3, 2026: The Build America Bureau and the Federal Highway Administration are issuing guidance on the statutory requirements to evaluate the appropriateness of using public-private partnerships (P3s) to deliver infrastructure projects: <https://bit.ly/4rcy3V9>

March 4, 2026: DOT has published guidance on "Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs: Substance Abuse Professional and the Return-to-Duty Process:" <https://bit.ly/4rVk2fV>

March 2, 2026: The FTA announced the availability of \$686 million for its All Stations Accessibility Program that provides grants for ADA upgrades to "legacy" rail agencies with stations constructed prior to 1991. Applications are due May 1: <https://bit.ly/46NiA6J>

February 4, 2026: DOT is seeking public and stakeholder input on the research and development activities needed to modernize the nation's transportation system through the application of digital infrastructure. Comments are due by March 6: <https://bit.ly/3MsXaEX>

February 4, 2026: IRS has proposed regulations for determining clean fuel production credits (Section 45Z) that were created in the 2022 Inflation Reduction Act and amended in the 2025 One Big Beautiful Bill Act. Comments are due by April 6: <https://bit.ly/3NWXi01>

January 30, 2026: The Federal Transit Administration is establishing an Emergency Relief Docket for calendar year 2026, so grantees and subgrantees affected by a national or regional emergency or disaster may request temporary relief from FTA administrative and statutory requirements: <https://bit.ly/4a1hd55>

January 2026: The Federal Transit Administration has published the 2026 version of the National Transit Database Safety and Security Policy Manual that outlines reporting requirements for certain safety and security events: <https://bit.ly/46c1BdV>

Impact on RTD: Information purposes only.



LEAD STAFF: **MICHAEL PIMENTEL, PARTNER**
 SHAW YODER ANTWHI SCHMELZER & LANGE
 BRENDAN REPICKY, LEGISLATIVE & REGULATORY
 ADVOCATE

REPORT: **STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

General Update

The deadline for legislators to introduce new bills in the second year of the 2025-26 Regular Legislative Session was February 20. In total, legislators introduced 1,800 bills this year, which must be acted on before the Legislature adjourns for final recess on August 31. As is typical, legislators introduced many bills as “spot” bills (i.e. placeholder legislation), which will need to be amended before they can be heard in the Legislature’s policy committees. The Assembly requires spot bills to be amended by March 16 and the Senate by March 25. Also, bills must be in print for 30 days before they may be heard in a policy committee. As of the drafting of this report, the rules committees in each house have referred most bills to their policy committee(s) and these committees are beginning to hold hearings, which will inform which bills move forward this year.

Alongside this early activity on new state legislation, the Legislature’s budget committees and subcommittees are beginning to hold hearings to review the proposals included in the Governor’s proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 budget. Already, these committees are beginning to discuss the impact of the state’s improved fiscal outlook on these proposals. In mid-May, the Governor will release his “May Revise,” an update to his January proposed budget. This will kick off a month of final negotiations between the Governor, Senate, and Assembly to finalize the budget agreement. The budget must be passed by June 15, in advance of the new fiscal year, which begins on July 1.

For information about key legislative and budget deadlines for next year, please see the 2026 Legislative Calendar [here](#).

In this report, we provide an update on the state budget, the TIRCP call for projects, a potential taxpayers’ initiative, the ICT regulation, and Bills of Interest.

Potential Impact to RTD: N/A – General Update

Legislators Push Back on Governor’s Proposed Budget

In January, we reported that the Governor’s proposed FY 2026-27 budget projected decreased funding for the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program and Low Carbon Transit Operations Program and zeroed out \$230 million in planned funding for the Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program.

The proposed elimination of funding for the ZETCP could result in a loss of \$8.47 million to the San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG), impacting funding for RTD.

On March 6, a dozen legislators, acting in response to the Governor's proposed budget, submitted statewide budget requests to budget leadership in their respective houses, urging the Legislature to include the critical transit funding identified above in the FY 2026-27 budget. In the lead-up to the letters' transmittal, we engaged RTD's legislative delegation on your behalf to encourage them to join the letter. The final Assembly letter includes sign-on from Assembly Member Ransom.

These letters, which mirror the priorities of the California Transit Association, specifically call on the Legislature to:

- Appropriate the planned investment of \$230 million in Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) dollars for the Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program in FY 2026-27;
- Reaffirm the state's commitment to appropriate \$460 million in GGRF dollars to the ZETCP in FY 2027-28; and,
- Establish funding certainty for the Transit and Intercity Capital Program and Low Carbon Transit Operations Program.

As noted above, budget and budget subcommittee hearings are just getting underway and no decisions on the budget will be made until this summer. We will keep you apprised of the efforts to protect this funding.

Potential Impact to RTD: As we reported in January, RTD is eligible to submit a grant application to TIRCP, a competitive grant program administered by the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA), and RTD receives annual formula funding from LCTOP. Decreased funding availability for the TIRCP means that CalSTA is likely to cut back on its grant awards in the next cycle – awarding fewer large grants or awarding smaller grants. Decreased funding availability for the LCTOP means that RTD's formula share would decrease in the next fiscal year.

If fully funded, the SB 125 program, inclusive of the ZETCP, would provide the SJCOG with \$93.4 million for suballocation to eligible entities in the region, including RTD. If the funds identified for the ZETCP for FYs 2026-27 and 2027-28 are not appropriated in the budget, they will, as noted above, represent a \$8.47 million loss to SJCOG, impacting RTD's potential share of total funding.

The efforts now underway by legislators across the state, including in RTD's legislative delegation, may help prevent these funding cuts from materializing.

CalSTA Releases TIRCP Cycle 8 Guidelines and Call for Projects

On February 23, the CalSTA released [final guidelines](#) and a [call for projects](#) for the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) Cycle 8.

The call for projects details the application requirements and procedures to apply for funding under the program. TIRCP Cycle 8 will program projects starting with the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 and ending with the FY 2030-31. The new program cycle will include previously awarded and active projects that have not been fully allocated by the end of the FY 2025-26 fiscal year, and projects selected from Cycle 8. The new capacity available for Cycle 8 is currently estimated at least \$950 million, but could be adjusted based on auction proceeds and changing cash flow requirements of already awarded projects between now and the September 2026 award announcement.

Applications are due May 18, 2026, and CalSTA expects to announce awards no later than September 18, 2026.

Potential Impact to RTD: As noted above, RTD is eligible to submit a grant application to TIRCP, a competitive grant program administered by the CalSTA, which funds, among other things, major capital projects, vehicle replacements, bus rapid transit projects, and facility improvements. RTD staff will want to review the call for projects and final guidelines to determine whether the agency will pursue funding from the program.

Business and Taxpayer Advocates Submit Signature to Qualify the Local Taxpayer Protection Act

On February 25, a coalition of business and taxpayer advocates announced that they had submitted signatures to the Secretary of State to qualify the [Local Taxpayer Protection Act](#) for the November 2026 statewide ballot.

According to the coalition, the measure would "reaffirm voter protections against higher local taxes and ensure greater transparency and accountability before new taxes are imposed." Specifically, the act would prohibit local governments from imposing special taxes, including those taxes passed by way of a voter initiative (citizens' initiative), from being approved unless these taxes secure a two-thirds vote of the electorate. Additionally, the measure would nullify any prior taxes passed at a lower threshold two years from the approval of the act. The coalition is comprised of the California Business Roundtable, California Business Properties Association, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, and California Taxpayers Association.

For more information, see the press release [here](#).

Potential Impact to RTD: RTD's state advocates are not aware of any pending citizens' initiative that may benefit San Joaquin County or RTD. Thus, this measure, if passed, is not likely to have an immediate impact on RTD's projects and services. That said, this measure, if passed, could foreclose the opportunity for the county or RTD to benefit from a future citizens' initiative, which today, requires only a majority vote of the electorate to pass.

CARB Releases ICT Exemption Request Templates

On February 14, the California Air Resources Board released [templates to support California transit agencies in claiming an exemption](#) from the Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) regulation's zero-emission bus purchase requirements for reasons that include:

1. The unavailability of zero-emission buses that meet the operational and performance needs of transit agencies.
2. The unavailability of zero-emission buses due to the necessary vehicle not completing / passing required Altoona testing, the vehicle not meeting applicable ADA requirements, the physical characteristics of the vehicle violating any federal, state, or local laws, regulations, or ordinances.
3. Financial hardship at the transit agency that makes it impossible for the transit agency to offset the incremental cost of purchasing ZEBs or offset managed, net electricity costs for depot charging.

To receive an exemption from the ICT regulation, transit agencies must submit their exemption requests: (1) annually or (2) once every three years with an annual update to CARB that stipulates the continued need for the exemption. CARB will grant exemptions on an annual basis.

Potential Impact to RTD: These templates provide clear direction to transit agencies for claiming an exemption to the ICT regulation. RTD staff may want to review the templates and explore whether it would be appropriate to pursue an exemption from the ICT regulation at this time.

Bills of Interest

AB 1599 (Ahrens) California Transit Stop Registry – WATCH

This bill would require the Department of Transportation to create the California Transit Stop Registry as a centralized, statewide dataset of standardized information regarding transit stops by December 31, 2026. Additionally, this bill would require all transit operators that qualify for the funding under the Mills-Alquist-Deddeh Act to ensure that the name, location, of each of their transit stops are accurately reflected in the California Transit Stop Registry. *Set for hearing in the Assembly Transportation Committee on March 23.*

Potential Impact to RTD: This bill would create a new requirement for RTD to review the statewide dataset of standardized information regarding transit stops, creating new staff workload.

AB 2776 (Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials) Hazardous Materials: Storage Tanks. – WATCH

Existing law provides for the regulation of underground storage tanks by the State Water Resources Control Board and the unified program agency. Existing law defines an "underground storage tank" for these purposes. Existing law requires the interstitial space of the underground storage tank to be maintained under constant

vacuum or pressure such that a breach in the primary or secondary containment is detected before the liquid or vapor phase of the hazardous substance stored in the underground storage tank is released into the environment.

This bill would make that requirement applicable to the interstitial space of the underground storage tank beneath the surface of the ground. *Introduced in the Assembly.*

Potential Impact to RTD: This bill would help clarify the requirements that apply to underground storage tanks, providing greater flexibility to RTD.

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LEAD STAFF: MERAB TALAMANTES, DIRECTOR OF GRANTS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS

REPORT: GRANTS ACTIVITY REPORT

I. SUMMARY

- This report outlines RTD's grant funding activity for the first quarter of fiscal year (FY) 2025-2026 (Q2 FY25/26).
- Attachment A contains a list of RTD's active grants as of March 27, 2026.

II. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

This report outlines the grant activity for Q2 FY25/26, highlighting the applications submitted, awards received and not received, and ongoing management of active grant funds for RTD. Staff's efforts remain focused on securing funding to enhance services, infrastructure, and overall operational efficiency.

Status of Formula Grant Applications Q2 FY25/26

- FY 2025 FTA 5311 for transit operating assistance in rural areas (i.e. Escalon, Ripon, and rural unincorporated San Joaquin County) \$526,506. Status: Agreement executed January 2, 2026.
- FY 2025 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) for total estimated operating budget for the BRT - Midtown Corridor is \$2,215,344. RTD will use \$1,685,607 in LCTOP funds and \$529,737 Local match funding by RTD to fully fund this project. Status: Agreement executed January 15, 2026.

The following grants are pending execution of funding agreements, contributing to temporary cash flow delays for RTD:

- FY 2025 FTA 5307 Preventive Maintenance, Capital Cost of Contracting, Operating Assistance, Security, and Transit Improvements \$13,619,399. Status: Pending Agreement.
- FY 2025 FTA 5339 (a) Bus and Bus Facilities \$1,471,261. Status: Pending Agreement.

Status of Discretionary Grant Applications Q2 FY25/26

- 2024 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ)
Summary: Hydrogen Fueling Trailer, CMAQ funding awarded: \$1,000,000, Status: Pending Agreement.
- Build America Bureau Rural Assistance Pilot Program
 - RTD staff applied for a planning grant, County Hopper Rural Areas Assessment Study on March 18, 2025.

- Summary: Total project cost \$293,529, no match required.
- The application was re-submitted on September 9, 2025. Status: Pending award announcement.
- California Energy Commission (CEC) – Energiize (2 programs) Unmet Transit Needs and Fast Track. CEC (1 program) - Clean Transportation Program (postponed). RTD staff applied for the two available CEC programs for infrastructure and equipment, Hydrogen Fueling Trailer, \$6,500,000. Max program funding available: \$5,000,000. Existing funding (CMAQ: \$1,000,000). RTD has submitted applications for both CEC programs. Status: Pending award announcement.
- FTA 5339 (b)(c) Bus and Bus Facilities and Low or No Emissions Program, RTD's Low Emission Transition Project, \$10,300,000. Status: Award notice received, pending execution of agreement.
- Caltrans Sustainable Communities Grant FTA 5304 - Facilities Master Plan (Planning Grant) – RTD staff applied on November 20, 2025, \$500,000. Status: Award announcement in Spring/Summer 2026.
- SB 125 Phase 2 – RTD submitted 4 projects:
 - Maintenance Shop Retrofit (Hydrogen)
 - Hydrogen Fueling Trailer
 - VanGo! Fleet Replacement, \$1,800,000
 - Ticket Vending Machine (TVM) revenue vehicle fleet upgrades, \$800,000Status: SCJOG Board approved awards on March 26, 2026 for VanGo! Fleet Replacement and Ticket Vending Machine Projects listed above for a total award amount of \$2,600,000.

Upcoming and Pending Competitive and Formula Grant Opportunities

RTD continues to actively pursue and monitor state and federal funding opportunities that support fleet modernization, infrastructure improvements, system resilience, and expanded transit access.

- Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) – FY 2025–26 – RTD is preparing an application to support a zero-fare transit program on fixed-route services. The estimated funding for this cycle is approximately \$1,074,724. RTD plans to utilize these funds to advance ridership growth and improve equitable access to transit.
- SJCOG One Voice / Congressionally Directed Spending – One (1) hybrid-electric bus (\$1,400,000).
- Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) – Cycle 8 (2025) – Staff are developing a scope of work for a capital improvement application.
- Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program (EHCRP) – Bus shelter improvements focused on heat-resilience. Staff are monitoring for applicability; Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) pending.

Active Grants

As of March 27, 2026, RTD has an estimated \$63,193,350 in active Federal, State, and Local grant funding. The total amount expended is \$48,495,086, with a remaining balance of \$14,698,263. Staff continues to manage all active grants effectively to ensure compliance with funding requirements and achieve project objectives. Attached is a report for informational purposes that includes the details of the projects for each active grant.

III. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This report aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 3 and 4.

Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

IV. CUSTOMER IMPACT

RTD is committed to its core value of sustainability and actively pursues grants to ensure it is financially stable to deliver high-quality transit service to its customers.

V. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

The Finance Department will amend the Operating and Capital Budgets as necessary upon the awarding of grants.

VI. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

N/A

VIII. ATTACHMENT

Attachment A: Active Grants as of March 27, 2026

Prepared by: Merab Talamantes, Director of Grants and Capital Projects



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San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD)

Quarterly Grants Summary

Active Grants as of 03/27/2026

#	Award #	Funding Source	Associated Projects	Awarded Amount	Matching Funds	Total Application Budget	Award Expended	Remaining Award	Matching Funds Expended	Remaining Match	Grant Expiration
1	FY20/21 SGR	STATE - SB1 State of Good Repair	Replacement/Upgrade of existing Bus Video System, Facilities Improvement/Upgrades	\$ 740,550	\$ -	\$ 740,550	\$ 213,378	\$ 527,172.60	\$ -	\$ -	6/30/2028
2	CA-2024-026	FEDERAL - FFY22 5339(c) Low or No Emissions	RTD Disadvantaged Communities Route Expansion Project: Project will purchase five (5) hybrid electric buses	\$ 3,994,277	\$ 998,570	\$ 4,992,847	\$ 3,924,306	\$ 69,971.00	\$ 981,077	\$ 17,493.00	8/31/2028
3	SGC23113	STATE - City of Stockton's Transformative Climate Communities Round 4 (TCCR4)	Hybrid Electric Bus	\$ 1,057,554	\$ 105,755	\$ 1,163,309	\$ 990,033	\$ 67,521.14	\$ 7,497	\$ 98,257.67	9/30/2026
4	FY22/23 SGR	STATE - SB1 State of Good Repair	Revenue Vehicle Replacement Purchase - Bus Replacement	\$ 787,395	\$ -	\$ 787,395	\$ 116,883	\$ 670,512.10	\$ -	\$ -	6/30/2029
5	CA-2024-027	FEDERAL - FFY 2023 5307	Preventive Maintenance, Capital Cost of Contracting, Security, and Transit Improvements	\$ 9,272,244	\$ -	\$ 9,272,244	\$ 9,144,838	\$ 127,406.00	\$ -	\$ -	9/30/2026 *
6	CA-2022-093	FEDERAL - FFY22 5339(a) Bus and Bus Facilities Formula	RTC Maintenance Shop Floor Upgrade, DTC HVAC Units Replacement	\$ 623,401	\$ 155,850	\$ 779,251	\$ 46,300	\$ 577,101.00	\$ 11,575	\$ 144,275.00	6/30/2026
7	CA-2024-029	FEDERAL - FFY 2023 5339a	DTC HVAC Units Replacement	\$ 811,405	\$ -	\$ 811,405	\$ -	\$ 811,405.00	\$ -	\$ -	6/30/2026 *
8	CA-2024-188	FEDERAL - FFY 2024 5307	Preventive Maintenance, Capital Cost of Contracting, Operating Assistance, Security, and Transit Improvements	\$ 12,506,374	\$ -	\$ 12,506,374	\$ 12,304,186	\$ 202,188.00	\$ -	\$ -	3/31/2027 *
9	CA-2024-181	FEDERAL - FFY 2024 5339a	Install PCADs & IT Upgrades	\$ 1,330,520	\$ -	\$ 1,330,520	\$ 637,548	\$ 692,972.00	\$ -	\$ -	6/30/2026 *
10	C-24-004	MEASURE K - Intercity Programs	Passenger Rail, Bus, and Bicycle Pedestrian	\$ 7,200,000	\$ 10,800,000	\$ 18,000,000	\$ 4,950,000	\$ 2,250,000.00	\$ 8,250,000	\$ 2,550,000.00	6/30/2027
11	C-24-005	MEASURE K - Express Operations	BRT Express Routes 40, 43, 44, 47, 49	\$ 13,600,000	\$ 40,800,000	\$ 54,400,000	\$ 9,349,997	\$ 4,250,003.00	\$ 25,500,000	\$ 15,300,000.00	6/30/2027
12	C-24-006	MEASURE K - Interregional Operations Services	Interstate 5/205/580 and State Route 99 Corridor to BART and Sacramento	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 1,375,003	\$ 624,997.00	\$ 3,750,000	\$ 2,250,000.00	6/30/2027
13	C-24-007	MEASURE K - Regional Bus Services	Park & Ride Lots, Bus Facilities Improvements, Engine Replacement	\$ 940,000	\$ -	\$ 940,000	\$ 94,894	\$ 845,105.83	\$ -	\$ -	6/30/2027
14	C-24-008 A1	MEASURE K - Capital Improvements Projects	Five (5) replacement of 2010 Gillig buses and Six (6) 2012 Gillig buses	\$ 6,663,552	\$ 3,602,074	\$ 10,265,626	\$ 4,985,589	\$ 1,677,963.32	\$ 3,602,074	\$ -	6/30/2027
15	FY23/24 SGR	STATE - SB1 State of Good Repair	Upgrade and replace maintenance equipment and support vehicles	\$ 845,447	\$ -	\$ 845,447	\$ 362,132	\$ 483,315.47	\$ -	\$ -	6/30/2030
16	FY24/25 SGR	STATE - SB1 State of Good Repair	Replace/Upgrade Information Technology (IT) Equipments	\$ 820,630	\$ -	\$ 820,630	\$ -	\$ 820,630.00	\$ -	\$ -	6/30/2031
Grand Total				\$ 63,193,350	\$ 62,462,249	\$ 125,655,598	\$ 48,495,086	\$ 14,698,263	\$ 42,102,223	\$ 20,360,026	

* Toll credits were utilized to satisfy the required local match for eligible federally funded projects.

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LEAD STAFF: THOMAS DEMPSEY, DIRECTOR OF PROCUREMENT

REPORT: UPDATE OF SOLICITATIONS

I. SUMMARY

- This informational report provides the Board of Directors (Board) with a list of all current and upcoming formal solicitations.
- The financial considerations are listed in Attachment A of this report.

II. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to provide the Board an informational overview of all current and upcoming formal solicitations.

The thresholds for formal solicitations are as follows:

- \$250,000+ for services
- \$75,000+ for materials, supplies, and equipment
- \$10,000+ for FTA-funded projects
- \$220,000+ for non-FTA funded public works (CUPCCAA)

Attachment A lists all formal solicitations that are currently advertised and anticipated to be advertised for the upcoming quarter.

III. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This report aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 3 and 4.

Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

IV. CUSTOMER IMPACT

N/A

V. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

See Attachment A.

VI. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

N/A

VIII. ATTACHMENT

Attachment A: Update of Solicitations

Prepared by: Edith Ramirez, Procurement Specialist II



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UPDATE OF SOLICITATIONS

Solicitation Number	Solicitation Released Date or Anticipated Release Date	Title	Funding Source	Estimated Amount	Procurement Type	Designs and Plans – Delegation of Authority
26009-S	December 2025	On-Call Engineering and Construction Management Support Services	Capital STA/FTA*	\$250,000	RFQ	No
26018-S	December 2025	Pedestrian Collision Avoidance Detection (PCAD)	Capital FTA-5339a	\$687,410	RFP	No
26008-S	March 2026	Security Services	Operating Local	\$4,822,157	RFP	No
25041-S	April 2026	Access San Joaquin Services	Operating Local-CTSA	\$2,826,735	RFP	No
26020-C	June 2026	Abatement and Building Demolition	Capital STA	\$1,000,000	IFB	Yes

Federal Transit Administration "FTA"
 State Transit Assistance "STA"

*Funding for these services will be determined on a project-by-project basis and will vary depending on the funding source of each project.



LEAD STAFF: MERAB TALAMANTES, DIRECTOR OF GRANTS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS

REPORT: CAPITAL PROGRAM UPDATE

I. SUMMARY:

This report provides the Board of Directors with a high-level update on the San Joaquin Regional Transit District's (RTD) multi-year capital program, which includes projects funded across multiple fiscal years and managed as a single, coordinated program.

RTD is currently managing \$57,643,774 in fully funded capital investments supporting fleet modernization, facility improvements, safety initiatives, and operational infrastructure upgrades.

These investments support RTD's commitment to maintaining assets in a state of good repair in accordance with the agency's Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan, as required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), while advancing long-term asset stewardship, operational reliability, system safety, and the overall customer experience.

II. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

RTD's capital program represents a multi-year investment strategy designed to maintain assets in a state of good repair, modernize the fleet, and improve operational reliability across the transit system. Capital projects support critical infrastructure, safety improvements, facility maintenance, and operational technology upgrades that ensure RTD can continue providing safe and reliable service to the communities it serves.

Capital projects are funded through a combination of federal, state, and local funding sources, including FTA programs, Transportation Development Act funds, and local Measure K revenues. Due to procurement timelines, vehicle manufacturing schedules, engineering requirements, and construction activities, many capital projects span multiple fiscal years.

RTD manages its capital investments as a single, integrated program that includes projects initiated in current and prior fiscal years. This approach reflects the multi-year nature of capital delivery, where projects may be initiated in one fiscal year and delivered in subsequent years.

The capital program includes a diverse portfolio of investments, such as fleet replacement initiatives, facility improvements, technology modernization, and infrastructure upgrades that support the agency's long-term operational needs. Major investments currently underway include revenue vehicle replacements, bus stop infrastructure improvements, security enhancements, and maintenance facility upgrades.

As is standard for multi-year capital programs, several projects have progressed across multiple fiscal years due to procurement timelines, engineering design requirements, evolving project scopes, and coordination with vendors and consultants. Staff are developing revised project schedules to reflect these factors and support timely project delivery.

Detailed project listings and funding allocations are provided in the accompanying tables.

Looking Ahead

RTD will continue advancing capital projects that support fleet reliability, infrastructure improvements, and operational efficiency. Staff will continue to monitor project timelines, pursue funding opportunities, and adjust project schedules as needed to ensure the capital program supports RTD's long-term service, safety, and infrastructure needs.

III. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This report aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 3 and 4.

Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

IV. CUSTOMER IMPACT

Maintaining RTD assets in a state of good repair directly supports service reliability, safety, and the overall customer experience. Capital investments in fleet replacement, facility improvements, and operational infrastructure ensure RTD can continue providing dependable transit services to the communities it serves.

V. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

This report is informational only. There is no impact on operating or capital budgets, as capital program adjustments reflect reallocations within existing project budgets and funding sources.

VI. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

No alternatives to consider, this report is purely informational.

VIII. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: RTD Capital Program (Multi-Year)

Prepared by: Merab Talamantes, Director of Grants and Capital Projects



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Capital Projects (Fully Funded and with Pre-award Authority Projects)

As of March 28, 2026

#	Project	Description	Status	Budget Year	Funding Source	Amount Expended	Budget
1	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Replacement of Portable Maintenance Koni lifts	Delivery and installation completed in February 2026, project is in closeout process.	2026	MSRK and STA	281,506	\$ 315,000
2	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Replacement of RTC Building exhaust fans (40)	Delivery and installation completed in February 2026, project is in closeout process.	2026	STA	28,767	75,000
3	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Replace Front Doors at RTC	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2026	STA	-	75,000
4	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Paint DTC Cross Walks	PM is working on scope of work.	2026	STA	-	45,000
5	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Bus Shelters W/LED Lighting	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2026	5307	-	175,000
6	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Bus stop LED	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2026	5307	-	129,004
7	Revenue Vehicle replacement	(13) Cutaway Replacements	Vehicles expected to be delivered in April 2026.	2026	5339(a), SGR, STA	-	3,400,000
8	Revenue Vehicle replacement	Refurbish 4 MCI Commuter Vehicles	Board approval received on February 20, 2026. Purchase order is being finalized.	2026	STA and LTF	-	2,280,000
9	Revenue Vehicle replacement	Replace (1) Revenue Vehicle	Pending Board approval.	2026	STA	-	1,417,000
10	Revenue Vehicle replacement	Replace (8) Cutaways to be operated by United Cerebral Palsy	Expected delivery by March 31, 2026.	2026	STA	-	1,200,000
11	Non-revenue Vehicle replacement	(2) Additional Metro Driver Relief Vehicles	Delivery expected in May 2026.	2026	STA	-	163,500
12	Non-revenue Vehicle replacement	Facilities Steam/Flatbed Truck	Delivered in February 2026, currently in acceptance process.	2026	STA	-	125,000
13	Information Technology (IT)/Communications	Computer-Aided Dispatch/Automatic Vehicle Location (CAD/AVL) system Procurement	Pending Board approval.	2026	STA and SGR	-	2,000,000
14	Information Technology (IT)/Communications	Software - Remote Monitoring and Management (RMM)	Project completed January 26, 2026.	2026	STA	5,745	50,000
15	Capital Contingency			2026	STA	-	19,620
16	Information Technology (IT)/Communications	Hardware - GPS monitoring for non-revenue fleet	PM is waiting for final update/quote from the vendor regarding the price difference between two solutions.	2026	STA	-	500,000
17	Revenue Vehicle replacement	Replace (5) 40 Ft Gillig Hybrids	Vehicles delivered and are currently in acceptance process.	2025	MSRK and STA	-	\$5,272,638
18	Revenue Vehicle replacement	Replace (6) 40 Ft Gillig Hybrids	Five (5) vehicles have been delivered and are currently in acceptance process.	2025	5307, 5339(a), MSRK, and STA	-	6,327,165
19	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Replace entrance/exit gate operator at CTC (exceeded useful life)	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2025	MSRK	5,550	218,000

Capital Projects (Fully Funded and with Pre-award Authority Projects)

As of March 28, 2026

20	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Update Bus Stops with New Signs and Shelters (not all stops have shelters)	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2025 5307	6,000	234,350
21	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	RTC Replace fluorescent fixtures with new LED. Phase 1 of 2	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2025 MSRK	-	61,258
22	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Generator to support the DTC during power outages.	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2025 MSRK	21,625	75,000
23	Security Project - Non-revenue Vehicle replacement	Purchase security vehicles.	Vehicles delivered in January and February 2026. Currently in acceptance process.	2025 5307	-	126,474
24	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Replace aging Furniture	Project completed January 2, 2026	2025 STA	74,044	130,000
25	Capital Contingency	Capital Contingency		2025 STA	456,865	500,000
26	Revenue Vehicle replacement	Replace (17) aging revenue vehicles	PM received Board approval on December 6, 2024. Purchase is on hold pending approval of amendment.	2025 5339 (b), LTF and STA	-	25,762,355
27	Hydrogen Project Consultant	Purchase a portable hydrogen fueling trailer for FCEB pilot project.	Consultant was hired and is currently working with staff on FCEB Pilot Project.	2024 STA	159,406	504,000
28	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Maintenance of bus stop amenities.	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2024 5307	-	279,422
29	Pedestrian Collision and Avoidance Detection Systems (PCADS) Project	Install PCADS on 75 Buses	In procurement, expected award in April 2026.	2024 5539(a)	-	687,410
30	2731 Building Demo and Paving	Pour concrete on a section of property between RTC and CTC.	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2024 STA	143,100	1,684,500
31	HTS Replace Plumbing & Install Sink	Replace plumbing and install sink with garbage disposal.	Work in Progress/Project on HOLD due to staff, will resume in April 2026.	2024 STA	-	54,500
32	(1) Diesel Hybrid Bus-Expand	Workforce development.	The contract was fully executed on May 5. Project is underway project expected to be completed by June 30, 2026.	2023 STA and TCC	18,148	72,540
33	(5) Diesel Hybrid Bus-Expand	Workforce development.	The contract was fully executed on May 5. Project is underway project expected to be completed by June 30, 2026.	2023 5339(a) and STA	-	87,460
34	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Replace (4) aging HVAC units at DTC.	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2023 5339(a) and STA	81,500	1,055,000
35	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Repair floor in maintenance shop.	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2023 5339(a) and STA	10,000	900,000
36	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	Purchase and install a water stripper system to remove residual water from buses exiting the wash bay, preventing drag-out and entry into storm drains.	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2022 STA	3,000	200,000

Capital Projects (Fully Funded and with Pre-award Authority Projects)

As of March 28, 2026

37	Facilities Improvement and Upgrade	CTC pavement slurry seal.	With Engineering for design/plans and specs. Upon receipt and approval of the proposal, a formal solicitation for bids will be issued.	2022	STA and SB1 SGR	33,500	150,000
38	Bus Video Standardization System	To upgrade and standardize the bus fleet surveillance system.	Completed in December 2025. PM is processing final invoice.	2022	SB1 SGR and 5339 (a)	828,485	1,292,614
Grand Total						\$ 2,157,240	\$ 57,643,810

State funding sources:

State Transit Assistance (STA)
State of Good Repair (SGR) Program (SB 1)
SB 1 (Senate Bill 1)

Federal funding sources:

Section 5307 – Urbanized Area Formula Program
Section 5339(a) – Bus and Bus Facilities Formula Program
Section 5339(b) – Low or No Emission Vehicle Program (LoNo)

Local funding sources:

Local Transportation Fund (LTF)
Measure K (MSRK)

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LEAD: DEREK GRAVES, RTD CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

I. SUMMARY

- RTD's Rules of Procedure require that the Chairman of the Board review and appoint committee and retirement board assignments with the concurrence of the Board annually in February.
- The Board deferred this item to the March meeting to give the incoming Chairman time to evaluate and make his assignments.
- The Chairman of the Board has reviewed the assignments and will assign two Directors to the Finance and Audit Committee, subject to the Board's concurrence.
- All other assignments will be presented at a later meeting.

II. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

RTD's Rules of procedure provide that the Chairman of the Board of Directors may create standing, special, and/or Ad Hoc committees consisting of not more than two Directors and one alternate Director to advise the Board on matters assigned to the committees.

The Chairman shall appoint committee members with the concurrence of the Board. The Chairman of the Board has reviewed the assignments and will assign two Directors to the Finance and Audit Committee, subject to the Board's concurrence.

Assignments to all other committees and liaison appointments will be presented at a later meeting.

III. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This recommendation aligns with the Board's Strategic Priority 4.

Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

IV. CUSTOMER IMPACT

N/A

V. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

None.

VI. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

N/A

VIII. ATTACHMENTS

None

Prepared by: Julie Sherman, General Counsel



LEAD STAFF: KIMBERLY TURNER, INTERIM CEO

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Motion to approve meeting minutes from the February 9, 2026, Special Board of Directors meeting; the February 13, 2026, Special Board of Directors meeting; and the February 20, 2026, Regular Board of Directors meeting.

II. SUMMARY

- Staff is providing the minutes from the following three meetings: February 9, 2026, Special Board of Directors meeting; February 13, 2026, Special Board of Directors meeting; February 20, 2026, Regular Board of Directors meeting.
- Minutes provide an official record of the discussions, decisions, and actions taken during the previous board meeting.
- Meeting minutes are recorded after each meeting and will be provided for approval at the following regularly scheduled meeting.

III. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

Meeting minutes are prepared by staff and serve as an official public record of actions taken by the Board of Directors. Once approved, minutes are filed and will remain in RTD’s archives to provide a clear and accurate record of the proceedings. This ensures that Board members, staff, and stakeholders can refer to the documented decisions and rationale, reinforcing trust in the organization’s governance. Additionally, as the organization evolves, approved minutes serve as an important historical reference. They help track the progression of decisions, policies, and strategies, which can inform future actions.

Minutes will be made available to any member of the public upon request.

IV. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This report aligns with the Board’s Strategic Priority 4.
Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

V. CUSTOMER IMPACT

Meeting minutes provide customers with transparent agency information.

VI. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

N/A

VII. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VIII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

N/A

IX. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Draft minutes of the RTD Board of Directors Special Meeting of February 9, 2026

Attachment B: Draft minutes of the RTD Board of Directors Special Meeting of February 13, 2026

Attachment C: Draft minutes of the RTD Board of Directors Regular Meeting of February 20, 2026

Prepared by: Erica Aguiñiga, Executive and Board Support Senior Specialist



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Chair Giovanetti announced that the Board would recess into Closed Session at 11:50 a.m. to consider the following items set forth on the agenda.

- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (Gov. Code Section 54957)
 - B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Gov. Code Section 54957)
Title: Interim CEO
 - C. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code Section 54957.6)
Agency Designated Representative: Aaron Edwards (subject to Board concurrence)
Title: Interim CEO
8. OPEN SESSION

The Board of Directors returned from a Closed Session at 1:53 p.m. RTD Legal Counsel Julie Sherman reported that with respect to the first closed session item, the Board voted to place CEO Alex Clifford on paid administrative leave by a 3-2 vote. Directors Graves, Moorad, and Edwards voted in favor of the action; Directors Giovannetti and Fong voted no.

No other reportable action was taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Giovanetti adjourned the meeting at 1:54 p.m.

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ABSENT: NAYES: ABSTAIN:

8. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Giovanetti invited CEO Alex Clifford to the podium to address the Board. Chair Giovanetti also provided comment.

Chair Giovanetti announced that the Board would recess into Closed Session at 8:56 a.m. to consider the following items set forth on the agenda.

- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (Gov. Code Section 54957)
- B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Gov. Code Section 54957)
Title: Interim CEO
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code Section 54957.6)
Agency Designated Representatives for purposes of potential negotiations with Interim CEO: (Directors Fong and Graves)
Title: Interim CEO

9. OPEN SESSION

The Board of Directors returned from a Closed Session at 10:21 a.m. RTD Legal Counsel Julie Sherman reported that with respect to the first closed session item, the Board voted to terminate CEO Alex Clifford for convenience by a 4-1 vote. Directors Giovannetti, Graves, Moorad, and Edwards voted in favor of the action; Director Fong voted no.

No other reportable action was taken.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Giovanetti adjourned the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

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Nominations were opened for Vice Chair for calendar year 2026. Director Moorad nominated Director Giovanetti as Vice Chair. The nomination was seconded by Director Graves.

ACTION: MOTION: Geneva Moorad SECOND: Derek Graves
Roll Call:
AYES: Giovanetti, Fong, Graves, Moorad, Edwards
ABSENT: NAYES: ABSTAIN:

8. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. RECOGNITION OF DELTA COLLEGE MECHANICAL APPRENTICESHIP GRADUATES

Recent Mechanical Apprenticeship Graduates were recognized:

- Mechanic A Adam Potts
- Mechanic A Dung Do
- Mechanic A Nicolas Freeman
- Mechanic A Vanessa Ramirez

B. RECOGNITION OF YEARS OF SERVICE FOR RETIRING EMPLOYEES

Temporary Director of Financial Planning Virginia Alcayde was recognized for their 25 years of service with RTD and retirement.

C. RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES YEARS OF SERVICE

Human Resources Administrator Ericka Franco was recognized for their 25 years of service with RTD.

Government Affairs Director Kenneth Baxter was recognized for their 5 years of service with RTD.

Porter Angela Manuel was recognized for their 20 years of service with RTD.

D. RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES OF THE QUARTER

IT Specialist II Daniel Jennings was recognized as the Administration Employee of the Quarter.

Bus Operator Septmario Uy was recognized as the Transportation Employee of the Quarter.

Mechanic A Jose Garcia was recognized as the Maintenance Employee of the Quarter.

E. RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR

Mechanic A Jose Garcia was recognized as the Maintenance Employee of the Year.

Multimedia Marketing Senior Specialist Daniel Menchaca was recognized as the Administration Employee of the Year.

Porter Dario Dominguez, Jr. was recognized as the Facilities Employee of the Year.
Bus Operator Jaswinder Madhray was recognized as the Transportation Employee of the Year.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

Reports provided for information only:

- A. MARKETING UPDATE
- B. FINANCIAL UPDATE
- C. FY26 Q2 KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (KPI) REPORT

10. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. MOTION: APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 20, 2026, SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

ACTION: MOTION: Les Fong SECOND: Geneva Moorad
Roll Call:
AYES: Giovanetti, Fong, Graves, Moorad
ABSENT: NAYES: ABSTAIN: Edwards

- B. MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE ACTING CEO TO EXTEND THE CURRENT CONTRACT WITH PLATINUM SECURITY, INC. FOR UNARMED SECURITY GUARD SERVICES FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$360,000

A motion was made and seconded to postpone the consideration of this agenda item to the next regular meeting.

ACTION: MOTION: Derek Graves SECOND: Aaron Edwards
Roll Call:
AYES: Giovanetti, Fong, Graves, Moorad, Edwards
ABSENT: NAYES: ABSTAIN:

- C. MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE ACTING CEO TO EXECUTE A SOLE-SOURCE PURCHASE ORDER TO VONTAS FOR COMPUTER-AIDED DISPATCH/AUTOMATIC VEHICLE LOCATION (CAD/AVL) HARDWARE RETROFITS, FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$747,747

A motion was made and seconded to postpone the consideration of this agenda item to the next regular meeting.

ACTION: MOTION: Derek Graves SECOND: Aaron Edwards
Roll Call:
AYES: Giovanetti, Fong, Graves, Moorad, Edwards
ABSENT: NAYES: ABSTAIN:

- D. MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE ACTING CEO TO EXPEND FUNDS FOR TEMPORARY STAFFING AND DIRECT PLACEMENT SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,218,400 PURSUANT TO THE CONTRACT WITH INSIGHT GLOBAL LLC

Director Graves requested to pull this item from the Consent Calendar. This item was considered the first item under Action Items.

ACTION: MOTION: Les Fong SECOND: Aaron Edwards
Roll Call:
AYES: Giovanetti, Fong, Graves, Moorad, Edwards
ABSENT: NAYES: ABSTAIN:

- E. ACCEPT AND FILE: CHECK REGISTER FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2026

ACTION: MOTION: Les Fong SECOND: Geneva Moorad
Roll Call:
AYES: Giovanetti, Fong, Graves, Moorad
ABSENT: NAYES: ABSTAIN: Edwards

11. ACTION ITEMS

- A. MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE ACTING CEO TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH COMPLETE COACH WORKS (CCW) FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF TWO (2) NEW FLYER CORPORATION (NFC) - MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES (MCI) OVER-THE-ROAD (OTR) MOTOR COACHES, AND TWO (2) MCI OTR COACHES, FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,280,000 INCLUDING \$380,000 CONTINGENCY

ACTION: MOTION: Les Fong SECOND: Aaron Edwards
Roll Call:
AYES: Giovanetti, Fong, Edwards
NAYES: Graves, Moorad
ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

- B. MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE ACTING CEO TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING CONTRACT WITH GILLIG LLC FOR THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL HYBRID ELECTRIC BUSES AND

TO AMEND THE FUNDING AMOUNT TO INCLUDE PRODUCER PRICE INDEX INCREASES, CAD/AVL EQUIPMENT, AND CONTINGENCIES FOR AN AMENDED NOT TO EXCEED (NTE) TOTAL OF \$44,800,000

A motion was made and seconded to postpone the consideration of this agenda item to the next regular meeting.

ACTION: MOTION: Derek Graves SECOND: Aaron Edwards
Roll Call:
AYES: Graves, Moorad, Edwards
NAYES: Giovanetti, Fong
ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

12. DISCUSSION ITEM

- A. REVIEW OF RTD STANDING BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS
A motion was made to postpone the consideration of this agenda item.

13. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS AND STAFF

14. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Giovanetti announced that the Board would recess into Closed Session at 11:45 a.m. to consider the following items set forth on the agenda.

- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Gov. Code Section 54957)
Title: Interim CEO
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code Section 54957.6)
Agency Designated Representatives for purposes of potential negotiations with Interim CEO: Directors Fong and Graves
Title: Interim CEO

15. OPEN SESSION

The Board of Directors returned from a Closed Session at 12:54 p.m. RTD Legal Counsel Julie Sherman reported that with respect to the first closed session item, the Board voted to appoint Kimberly Turner as Interim CEO by a 3-2 vote. Directors Graves, Moorad, and Edwards voted in favor of the action; Directors Giovannetti and Fong voted no. No other reportable action was taken.

- A. POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION
Possible Board approval of Interim CEO contract.

RTD Legal Counsel Julie Sherman reported that the Interim CEO consulting agreement is for a term not to exceed six months for an amount of \$28,000 per month with a \$500 per month automobile allowance.

ACTION: MOTION: Les Fong

SECOND: Derek Graves

Roll Call:

AYES: Fong, Graves, Moorad

NAYES: Giovanetti

ABSENT: Edwards ABSTAIN:

16. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Giovanetti adjourned the meeting at 12:56 p.m.

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LEAD STAFF: STEPHEN MOTA, SAFETY AND SECURITY ADMINISTRATOR

I. REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$580,000

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Ratify Amendment 1 to the current three-year contract with Platinum Security, Inc., for unarmed security guard services and authorize the Interim CEO to further amend the contract to increase the total not-to-exceed amount to \$3,880,000 for the provision of services through the contract expiration date of June 30, 2026.

III. SUMMARY

- RTD's contract with Platinum Security, Inc. was for a (2) year base term and a (1) one-year option, for a maximum term of three years.
- RTD exercised the one-year option on March 4, 2025 through April 30, 2026.
- During the contract period, security services were increased due to severe incidents and assaults that occurred against passengers and RTD employees. The increase in security coverage expended funds sooner than anticipated.
- In February 2026, Interim CEO Kimberly Turner executed an amendment to extend the term of the contract through June 30, 2026 and to increase the total not-to-exceed amount by \$225,000 to cover January's billing cycle (Amendment 1). This emergency amendment was needed due to the postponement of a related amendment from the February 20, 2026, RTD Board meeting agenda.
- Staff have determined that it is in RTD's best interest to procure security services through a new competitive procurement selection process for the next awarded contract. This solicitation process began on March 19, 2026 and the contract is anticipated to be awarded by July 2026.
- Staff is requesting an additional \$355,000 added to the emergency funds of \$225,000 to equal the total amount of \$580,000 for the provision of security services through the contract expiration date of June 30, 2026.
- FY25-26 security services budget was \$1,344,000. FY25-26 budget funds used were \$801,407. FY25-26 current funds available are \$542,595.
- Staff is further requesting the Board ratify Amendment 1.
- The additional \$580,000 has already been considered in the FY 26 Operating Budget.

IV. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

On April 21, 2023, the RTD Board approved Resolution 7017, authorizing the CEO to enter a contract with Platinum Security, Inc. to provide unarmed security

guard services for RTD properties. The contract was for a (2) two-year base term and a (1) one-year option for a maximum of three years and not to exceed amount of \$3,300,000.

On April 29, 2025, RTD exercised the (1) one-year option to continue unarmed security services.

Based on RTD's historical usage data of security services, market changes, and staff changes, it has been determined that it is in RTD's best interest to procure future security services through a competitive procurement process. This process began on March 19, 2026, and the new contract is anticipated to start on June 1, 2026.

Interim CEO Turner approved an amendment to extend the term of the contract through June 30, 2026 and to increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$225,000 to cover January's billing cycle. This emergency action was needed due to the removal of a related amendment from the February 20, 2026, Regular Board meeting agenda.

Staff is requesting that the Board of Directors authorize the Interim CEO to amend the contract with Platinum Security, Inc., for unarmed security guard services, to increase the total amount not-to-exceed to \$3,880,000, and to ratify Amendment 1. The FY25-26 security services budget was \$1,344,000. In FY25-26 the budget funds used so far amount to \$801,407. In FY25-26 current funds available are \$542,595. This contract was budgeted for and is funded.

Security services serve a vital role in the safe day-to-day operations of the San Joaquin Regional Transit District. In calendar year 2025, security responded to, assisted with, and resolved over 400 incidents, including, but not limited to, trespassing, medical events, code of conduct violations, and violations of the California Penal Code. Security services resolved approximately 82% of these incidents without involving local law enforcement.

V. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This recommendation aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 1 through 5. Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

VI. CUSTOMER IMPACT

A lapse in security services would cause an unreasonable reliance on local law enforcement entities to respond to minor or major incidents at RTD properties, but would also place our passengers, staff members, and community partners' safety at risk.

VII. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

- Currently, RTD pays approximately \$100,000-\$120,000 per month for security services. This amount varies due to the number of hours security staff work per month, staffing levels, and special requests.
- The \$480,000 requested has already been considered in the FY26 Operating Budget.
- FY26 Operating Budget revenue streams that fund security services are as follows:
 - Fares
 - Other non-transportation Revenues (Advertising /Rental/Interest Income)
 - Property Tax
 - Measure K-Exh W Intercity
 - Measure K-Exh Y Interregional
 - Measure K-Exh X Bus Rapid Tr.
 - LCTOP
 - TDA-LTF

VIII. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

IX. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

Do nothing. This option is not recommended. In calendar year 2025, security responded to, assisted with, and resolved over 400 incidents, including, but not limited to, trespassing, medical events, code of conduct violations, and violations of the California Penal Code. Security services resolved approximately 82% of these incidents without involving local law enforcement..

A lapse in security services would lead to unreasonable reliance on local law enforcement to respond to minor or major incidents at RTD properties and would also place the safety of our passengers, staff members, and community partners at risk.

X. ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment A:** Contract 23003-S Unarmed Security Guard Services Link
Attachment B: Contract 23003-S Security Guard Services Amendment 1
Attachment C: Contract 23003-S Security Guard Services Amendment 2

Prepared by: Stephen Mota, Safety and Security Administrator



Attachment A

[Contract 23003-S Unarmed Security Guard Services Link](#)



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**CONTRACT 23003-S
FOR
UNARMED SECURITY GUARD SERVICES
AMENDMENT 1**

This Amendment 1 is made and entered into on February 20, 2026, between **SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT (RTD)** and **PLATINUM SECURITY, INC. (Contractor)**, collectively referred to as the "Parties."

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2023, RTD and Contractor entered into a contract for Unarmed Security Guard Services (Contract); and

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2025, RTD exercised the one-year option term, extending the term of the Contract through March 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Parties now desire to amend the Contract to extend the term by four months and to increase the Contract price by \$225,000 for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$3,525,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Section 4, "Contract Term; Time for Performance" is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

The term of this Contract will commence on **May 1, 2023**, and end on **June 30, 2026**, unless terminated earlier by RTD. Contractor will furnish RTD with all the materials, equipment, and services called for under this Contract, and perform all other work, if any, described in the solicitation documents.

2. The first sentence in Section 6.A, "Compensation" is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

This is a Time and Materials (T&M) Contract with a not to exceed amount of **THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$3,525,000.00)**, for which amount Contractor agrees to complete the Services defined in this Contract.

3. Except as specifically modified in this Amendment 1, all terms and conditions in the Contract remain in full force and effect.

SIGNATURES APPEAR ON THE NEXT PAGE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment 1 by their duly authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

San Joaquin Regional Transit District

Signed by:
By: Kimberly Turner 3/3/2026
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KIMBERLY TURNER
Interim Chief Executive Officer

Platinum Security, Inc.

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By: Michael Farag 3/2/2026
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MICHAEL FARAG
President/CEO

PROCUREMENT APPROVAL:

Signed by:
Thomas Dempsey 3/3/2026
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THOMAS DEMPSEY
Director of Procurement

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Signed by:
Julie A. Sherman 3/2/2026
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JULIE A. SHERMAN
Attorney for RTD



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**CONTRACT 23003-S
FOR
UNARMED SECURITY GUARD SERVICES
AMENDMENT 2**

This Amendment 2 is made and entered into on March 30, 2026, between **SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT (RTD)** and **PLATINUM SECURITY, INC. (Contractor)**, collectively referred to as the "Parties."

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2023, RTD and Contractor entered into a contract for Unarmed Security Guard Services through March 1, 2025 (Contract); and

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2025, RTD exercised the one-year option term, extending the term of the Contract through March 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2026, the Parties amended the Contract to extend the term by four months and to increase the Contract price by \$225,000 for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$3,525,000.00.

WHEREAS, the Parties now desire to amend the Contract to increase the Contract price by \$355,000 for a new total not-exceed amount of \$3,880,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. The first sentence in Section 6.A, "Compensation" is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

This is a Time and Materials (T&M) Contract with a not to exceed amount of **THREE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY THOUSAND (\$3,880,000.00)**, for which amount Contractor agrees to complete the Services defined in this Contract.

2. Except as specifically modified in this Amendment 2, all terms and conditions in the Contract, as previously amended, remain in full force and effect.

SIGNATURES APPEAR ON THE NEXT PAGE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Amendment 2 by their duly authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

San Joaquin Regional Transit District

Platinum Security, Inc.

By: _____
KIMBERLY TURNER
Interim Chief Executive Officer

By: _____
MICHAEL FARAG
President/CEO

PROCUREMENT APPROVAL:

THOMAS DEMPSEY
Director of Procurement

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JULIE A. SHERMAN
Attorney for RTD



LEAD STAFF: JOHN VAN CAMP, MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT

I. REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$747,747

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Authorize the Interim CEO to complete the fleet upgrade for the purchase and installation of Computer-Aided Dispatch/Automatic Vehicle Location (CAD/AVL) hardware retrofits. Currently, 106 of RTD's revenue fleet vehicles have been upgraded to the latest CAD/AVL system, and this request will allow RTD's remaining twenty-seven (27) fixed route and commuter fleet vehicles to be retrofitted and to implement Turn-by-Turn navigation software. The contract amount with Vontas will not exceed \$747,747. This is a sole-source purchase to allow RTD to move away from multiple CAD/AVL vendors to a standardized platform and achieve cost savings.

III. SUMMARY

- The current request seeks approval to complete fleetwide CAD/AVL modernization by retrofitting the remaining twenty-seven (27) revenue vehicles and implementing Vontas Turn-by-Turn navigation software.
- The CAD/AVL systems and Turn-by-Turn functionality will be installed on the following RTD revenue vehicles:
 - Thirteen (13) cutaway buses, consisting of Arboc and Glaval vehicles
 - Twelve (12) Gillig commuter buses
 - Two (2) MCI over-the-road commuter buses
- These installations will ensure that all active fixed-route and commuter vehicles operate on a standardized Vontas CAD/AVL platform.
- Considerations were discussed regarding soliciting other vendors for the CAD/AVL system.
- Cost implications were determined, and an evaluation process was conducted to assess the feasibility of purchasing the equipment under a sole-source provision since the existing equipment is Vontas products.
- Staff determined that sufficient support in procuring Vontas equipment justifies the sole-source procurement and installation of Vontas equipment on the eleven buses being procured.
- This procurement standardizes the CAD/AVL equipment currently on existing RTD equipment and ensures operational integration and data consistency.
- Staff recommends the Board approve this sole-source purchase of Vontas CAD/AVL equipment.

IV. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

RTD currently holds an active software service contract with Vontas for CAD/AVL software, which manages real-time bus tracking, communication, and operational data.

The Vontas CAD/AVL system is the core technology platform supporting RTD's fixed-route and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) operations. It allows communication between dispatch and operators and provides key operational performance metrics.

Most of the RTD buses are currently on the Vontas system, and the purchase of this equipment will integrate appropriately with the existing system.

Staff determined that Vontas must complete the hardware installation to maintain compatibility with RTD's existing Vontas software environment. Attempting to procure or install third-party equipment could result in system integration issues, compromised communications, software conflicts, or the voiding of warranties and service support agreements.

The hardware purchase includes onboard communication devices, wiring, mounting components, and installation labor for the new Gillig hybrid buses.

The software will enable the implementation of Turn-by-Turn navigation functionality throughout the entire fleet.

This procurement qualifies as a sole-source purchase because Vontas is the only authorized provider capable of supplying and integrating CAD/AVL hardware that is compatible with RTD's current Vontas software system.

V. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This recommendation aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 2, 4, and 6. Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

VI. CUSTOMER IMPACT

Customers will experience improved safety through fewer routing errors, turn-by-turn navigation during route deviations, more predictable trips, and more accurate real-time information. The installation of CAD/AVL hardware supports real-time bus tracking, accurate arrival predictions, improved dispatcher

communication, and enhanced overall service reliability, directly benefiting passengers through better service information and response times.

VII. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

The FY 2025 Capital Budget identifies funding for the Vontas CAD/AVL purchase to be installed on eleven (11) new Gillig buses.

The funding sources are:

STA \$747,747 100%.

VIII. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

IX. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

- Issue a new solicitation for CAD/AVL provider:
Not recommended, as it would delay implementation, create compatibility issues with RTD's existing software, and risk operational inconsistency.
- Take no action:
If no action is taken, a portion of the fleet will continue to operate on outdated CAD/AVL hardware that cannot fully support the CAD/AVL platform's features, such as modern navigation, safety enhancements, and real-time routing. This creates an inconsistent operating environment, increasing the likelihood of routing errors, service delays, and operator distraction, particularly during detours or emergencies. Over time, this gap will limit the agency's ability to deploy new rider-facing features, reduce overall system reliability, and increase maintenance and support costs as legacy equipment ages.

X. ATTACHMENT

None.

Prepared by: John Van Camp, Maintenance Superintendent

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LEAD STAFF: MERAB TALAMANTES, DIRECTOR OF GRANTS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board of Directors rescind the previously approved submission of the San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) Union Transfer Station (UTS) Emergency Operations Center (EOC) project for federal advocacy funding.

Further, that the Board approve the staff recommendation for a replacement project requesting federal advocacy funding in the amount of \$1,400,000 for the Hybrid Electric Bus Replacement Project.

Further, that this request be submitted to SJCOG for inclusion in the San Joaquin One Voice 2026 Federal Legislative Agenda.

II. SUMMARY

- San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) call for regional priority projects was announced on September 25, 2025.
- Projects are considered for the San Joaquin One Voice 2026 Federal Legislative Agenda in Washington, D.C. in May 2026.
- The RTD Board previously approved the submission of the UTS EOC for the federal funding advocacy effort.
- Staff now recommends rescinding that submission and instead proposing the Hybrid Electric Bus Replacement Project as RTD's priority project.
- The proposed project will replace one aging transit bus with a hybrid electric bus to improve fleet reliability and reduce emissions.
- The estimated project cost is \$1,400,000.

III. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

One Voice Delegation and Project Selection Process

Since 2000, the SJCOG, the Regional Transportation Planning Agency, has coordinated a delegation of policymakers, government officials, agency executives, and business leaders from San Joaquin County to call upon congressional representatives and administrative staff in Washington D.C. to discuss specific issues, funding opportunities, and projects of importance to our region.

Each year, the One Voice delegation presents a targeted list of regional priorities illustrating cooperation among the local agencies to secure federal support.

Projects are often related to transportation, transit, habitat conservation, economic development, water, and education.

On September 25, 2025, SJCOG announced its call for regional priority projects from jurisdictions, transit agencies, and interested outside organizations for the San Joaquin One Voice federal legislative trip to Washington, D.C. scheduled for May 3-7, 2025.

SJCOG has developed the San Joaquin One Voice Submission Process to review and evaluate project applications to increase the competitiveness of the region's projects. The process includes deciding project eligibility based on established criteria and an ad-hoc committee to review the applications. The committee will offer suggestions to improve applications to increase the likelihood that the projects will receive federal funding. The SJCOG Board will select regional priorities from the project applications submitted and evaluated through the San Joaquin One Voice Submission Process.

SJRTD Hybrid Electric Bus Replacement Project

San Joaquin Regional Transit District proposes replacing one aging transit bus with a hybrid-electric bus as part of its ongoing fleet modernization program. RTD provides essential public transportation services throughout Stockton and San Joaquin County, connecting residents to employment centers, healthcare facilities, educational institutions, and other essential destinations. Replacing aging vehicles improves service reliability and reduces emissions compared to older diesel buses. The acquisition of a hybrid electric bus supports RTD's commitment to maintaining a safe, reliable, and efficient transportation system for the region. The total project cost is \$1,400,000.

IV. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This recommendation aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 1,2, 4, 5, and 6. Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

V. CUSTOMER IMPACT

Replacing an aging transit bus with a new hybrid electric vehicle will enhance service reliability and reduce the risk of service disruptions associated with older equipment. A modern and dependable fleet supports a higher quality customer

experience while helping RTD maintain and grow ridership by ensuring residents can rely on safe, efficient, and consistent transit service for daily travel needs.

VI. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

Up to \$1,400,000 in discretionary funding to support the procurement of one hybrid electric bus.

VII. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VIII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

Do nothing. This alternative is not recommended as it is in RTD's best interest to join the SJCOG advocacy effort.

IX. ATTACHMENT

Attachment A: One Voice Project Request Fact Sheet

Prepared by: Merab Talamantes, Director of Grants and Capital Projects



Attachment A
Cover Page

RTD Hybrid Electric Bus Project



PROJECT FUNDING SUMMARY

Total Project Cost \$1,400,000

**Total Funding Needed
\$1,400,000**

Anticipated project start date: **January 1, 2027**

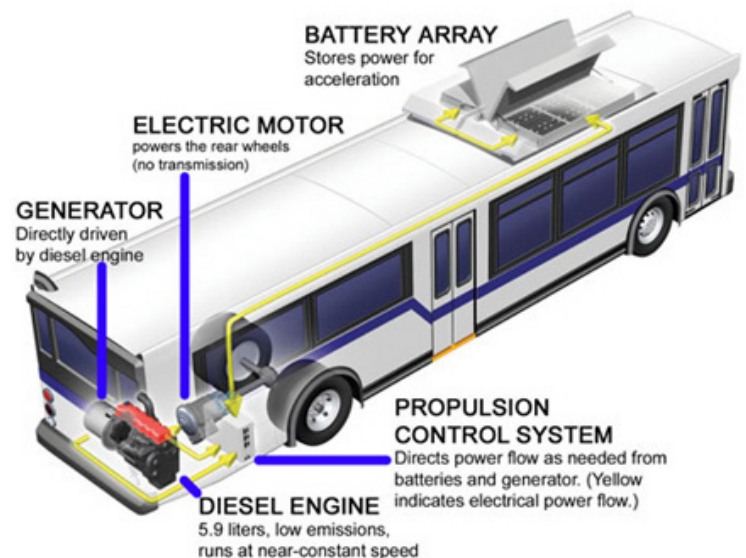
RTD is requesting funds to purchase one hybrid electric bus to replace a limited-range electric bus in its current fleet. The electric bus that RTD will retire has a decreased ability to hold charge, hindering its ability to fulfill its service requirements. As RTD continues to explore the best technology to achieve its goal of 100% zero-emissions fleet, the acquisition of this vehicle will help RTD continue in its mission to provide safe, reliable, and efficient transportation for the region.

The new hybrid propulsion system improves upon previous diesel-hybrid buses, reducing both fuel consumption (by up to 25%) and CO2 emissions.

Here's how the new technology works:

The diesel-hybrid engine helps drive the bus and recharges a set of batteries. Those batteries supply energy to the electric motor that also helps drive the bus. When the bus first starts or accelerates, both motors are used. The diesel engine is then used to maintain a constant speed. When the bus slows down, some of its energy goes back into the batteries.

The new diesel-electric hybrid buses also include geofencing technology, which allows RTD operations to set perimeters of when the diesel motor can be turned off to reduce noise and engine emissions. While the diesel motor is turned off, the bus can operate on battery power for up to 10 miles,



times per route. The application of the technology are many and varied. It can operate with the all-electric motor in and around disadvantaged areas within the City of Stockton, where most of the census tracts fall within the 75th percentile or higher.

The project contributes to reduced energy costs and dependence on the grid, increased grid resiliency, and lower cost for maintenance of vehicles.

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LEAD STAFF: CURTIS MOSES, SAFETY, SECURITY, AND RISK MANAGEMENT CHIEF

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Board approval to delegating administrative functions relative to the handling of claims signature authority from the Interim CEO to the Safety, Security, and Risk Management Chief.

II. SUMMARY

- On March 15, 2024, the Board of Directors authorized the CEO, General Counsel, and CFO to compromise or settle any tort liability, potential claims, claims, and/or legal actions up to \$100,000, including the administrative functions relative to the handling of claims.
- To streamline the claims process, the Interim CEO recommends that the Board delegate authority to the Safety, Security, and Risk Management Chief to perform all administrative functions relative to the handling of claims, upon the advice of General Counsel.

III. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

California law allows the Board to delegate the administration of claims to an employee. To facilitate the efficient management of the claims administration process, the Interim CEO recommends that the Board delegate authority to the Safety, Security, and Risk Management Chief perform all administrative functions relative to the handling of claims, upon the advice of General Counsel.

Authority to settle any tort liability, potential claims, claims, and/or legal actions up to \$100,000 will remain with the Interim CEO, General Counsel, and CFO.

IV. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This recommendation aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 3 and 4.

Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

V. CUSTOMER IMPACT

N/A

VI. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

None.

VII. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VIII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board could retain the existing delegation of authority, but that is not recommended as RTD will not benefit from administrative efficiencies.

IX. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Resolution

Prepared by: Julie Sherman, General Counsel



Attachment A

RESOLUTION NO. _____
DATED: MARCH 30, 2026

DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO SAFETY, SECURITY, AND RISK MANAGEMENT CHIEF TO PERFORM ALL ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS RELATIVE TO THE HANDLING OF CLAIMS

WHEREAS, no suit for money or damages may be brought against the San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD), unless a written claim has been timely presented to RTD and rejected in whole or in part; and

WHEREAS, RTD has an obligation to vigorously defend its interest by thoroughly investigating all claims and lawsuits filed against it; and

WHEREAS, RTD is charged with the responsibility to bring about satisfactory resolution to all potential claims, claims, and lawsuits filed against it; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2024, the Board of Directors delegated tort claim settlement authority to RTD's CEO, General Counsel, and CFO provided the settlement amount did not exceed \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, the Interim CEO recommends delegating authority to the Safety, Security, and Risk Management Chief to perform all administrative functions relative to the handling of claims.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Directors of San Joaquin RTD, that the Safety, Security, and Risk Management Chief is authorized to perform, upon the advice of General Counsel, the following functions of the Board with respect to handling administrative claims presented to RTD: ascertaining the sufficiency of claims with respect to the required contents of a claim, notifying claimants of insufficiency, notifying claimants of failure to present claims within the time allowed by law, allowing or denying applications for leave to file late claims, rejecting claims, and allowing claims in whole or in part.



LEAD STAFF: KIMBERLY TURNER, INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion to approve the updated list of persons authorized to sign on San Joaquin Regional Transit District's (RTD) Bank of Stockton, San Joaquin County Treasury, Defined Benefit Plan, 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan, and 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan accounts.

II. SUMMARY

- Add Kimberly Turner, RTD's newly appointed Interim Chief Executive Officer to the authorized signatories for the following:
 - Bank of Stockton Accounts and San Joaquin County Treasury Accounts:
Kimberly Turner, Interim Chief Executive Officer
John Hodson, Chief Information Officer
Noël Mink, Director of Human Resources
 - Retirement, Retiree Health, and Sub-accounts:
Kimberly Turner, Interim Chief Executive Officer
Noël Mink, Director of Human Resources
- Two authorized signatory signatures are required to exercise authority over the Bank of Stockton and San Joaquin County Treasury accounts.
- The financial system's electronic signature, with the signatures of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Information Officer, will be used to sign checks.
- Authorized signatory for retirement, retiree health, and sub-accounts is authorized to sign directives to take actions regarding RTD's Defined Benefit Plan, Retiree Health Plan, and its sub-accounts; 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan; and 401(a) Retirement Contribution Plan.

III. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

Approval by the Board is necessary to implement changes to the authorized signatories. RTD would like to implement the following:

- Add Kimberly Turner, RTD's newly appointed Interim Chief Executive Officer, to the authorized signatories.

Upon Board approval, RTD will coordinate to implement the changes to authorized signatories, as applicable, for the following accounts:

Bank of Stockton Accounts:
 General Checking Account

Payroll Checking Account
Merchant Savings Account

San Joaquin County Treasury Accounts:

General Fund Account	FEMA Grant
Local Transportation Fund	Health Reserve
State Transit Assistance Fund	Prop. 1B – General
Measure K Funds	Prop. 1B – Homeland Security
Operations Sustainability Account	Penalties Enforced
Cash Flow Reserve Fund	Federal UMTA
Uninsured Risk Reserve Fund	Escrow IFB Bond Contract
Workers Compensation Reserve	Maintenance & Op Account
County Area Transit – Fuel	

US Bank National Association:

Directives to take action regarding RTD Defined Benefit Plan's Retirement Funds, Retiree Health Funds, and sub-accounts.

Fiduciary Trust of New Hampshire and Empower:

Directives to take action regarding 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan accounts.

Financial Decisions:

Directives to take action regarding 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan account.

IV. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This recommendation aligns with the Board's Strategic Priorities 1 and 3.

Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

V. CUSTOMER IMPACT

N/A

VI. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

None.

VII. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

VIII. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

No alternative: this action is needed to update the list of authorized signatories.

IX. ATTACHMENT

Attachment A: Resolution

Prepared by: Virginia Alcayde, Financial Consultant



Attachment A

RESOLUTION NO. _____
DATED: MARCH 30, 2026

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LIST OF PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT'S (RTD) BANK OF STOCKTON ACCOUNTS, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY TREASURY ACCOUNTS, DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT PLAN ACCOUNTS, 457(b) DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN, AND 401(a) DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Directors of RTD that the list of persons authorized to sign, be, and hereby is, updated, effective March 27, 2026 to include those persons listed below:

Kimberly Turner, Interim Chief Executive Officer
John Hodson, Chief Information Officer
Noël Mink, Director of Human Resources

RESOLVED FURTHER, that any two signatures of authorized signatories are required to exercise authority to the Bank of Stockton accounts and San Joaquin County Treasury Accounts.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the use of financial system electronic signature with the signatures of the Interim Chief Executive Officer and Chief Information Officer will be used as a means of signing checks.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the list of persons authorized to sign directives to take actions regarding RTD's Defined Benefit Plan, 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan, and 401(a) Retirement Contribution Plan, includes the persons listed below:

Kimberly Turner, Interim Chief Executive Officer
Noël Mink, Human Resources Manager

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Directors of San Joaquin Regional Transit District that the CEO is hereby authorized and directed to implement such actions as may be necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this resolution.

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LEAD: DEREK GRAVES, RTD CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

I. REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$31,500

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Board of Directors consider and approve the estimated Board travel expenses for calendar year 2026.

III. SUMMARY

- RTD's Board Travel Policy requires that the full Board approve estimated expenses before board member travel.
- RTD staff annually solicits the Board members' interest in attending educational conferences and events.
- The Board considers expressed travel interests from Board members at the beginning of each calendar year.
- This report includes a table summarizing estimated expenses associated with Board travel for calendar year 2026.
- The full Board will consider expressions of interest received for travel from Board members throughout the year as necessary.

IV. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

RTD acknowledges its responsibility to administer limited public resources prudently and to expend them only when there will be a substantial benefit to the agency and the community it serves.

RTD is an active member of local, state, and national associations representing transit's interests before the legislative and regulatory agencies at the local, state, and federal levels. Associations, including the California Association for Coordinated Transportation (CALACT), California Transit Association (CTA), and American Public Transportation Association (APTA), convene annual conferences to provide educational sessions focusing on the public transit industry's current challenges, technology innovations, lessons learned, best practices, and networking opportunities for public transit professionals at all levels, including Board members.

The San Joaquin Council of Governments also convenes an annual advocacy program (One Voice) for San Joaquin County, to promote projects, programs, and issues of regional significance to federal legislators and agencies, typically through a yearly trip to Washington, D.C. The purpose of One Voice is to advocate for new or increased funding and new or amended legislation for issues and projects of significance to the San Joaquin region.

On an annual basis, RTD staff solicits Board members for expressions of interest in attending educational conferences.

Pricing between Board member travel events may differ as a result of such factors as:

- Date the flights were finalized and booked
- Flights with connections versus direct flights
- Departing airports (SFO v. SMF)
- Destination airports (IAD v. DCA)
- Mileage to and from departing airports (SFO v. SMF)
- Airport parking fees (SFO v. SMF)
- Traveling expenses to and from the airport
- Duration of the trip may vary due to the conference agenda and Board Member's committee assignments

The estimated cost of travel expenses for board members, listed by conference for the 2026 calendar year, is provided in a table on the next page.

2026 CONFERENCES

Board Member	APTA Legislative Conference April 12-14, 2026 Washington, DC	CALACT Spring Conference April 14-16, 2026 Temecula, CA	San Joaquin One Voice May 4-6, 2026 Washington, DC	APTA Mobility Conference May 17-20, 2026 Salt Lake City, UT	APTA Workforce Summit May 20-21, 2026 Salt Lake City, UT	CTA Spring Legislative Conference May 21, 2026 Sacramento, CA	APTA Transit Board Members & Transit Board Admins. Seminar July 18-21, 2026 Detroit, MI	APTA TRANSform October 4-7, 2026 Chicago, IL	CTA Fall Conference & Expo October 28-30, 2026 Monterey, CA	CALACT Fall Conference November 3-7, 2026 Sonoma, CA	Total Estimated Cost for 2026
Derek Graves			N								
Geneva Moorad			N				N	N	N	N	
Aaron Edwards			N		N			N		N	
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Estimated Cost Per Person			\$3,900		\$2,100		\$3,000	\$4,300	\$1,700	\$2,200	\$31,500

N: New Request to Attend a Conference.

X: Previously Approved Request.

Red Font: Updates.

Actual costs will be added to the table after each conference.

V. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This recommendation aligns with the Board’s Strategic Priority 4.

Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

VI. CUSTOMER IMPACT

By attending and participating in educational conferences, Board members remain updated with industry best practices benefiting the Board, RTD, and the community it serves.

VII. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

Estimated Board member travel expenses for 2026, including registration, are estimated at \$31,500 for the three current Board members. Expenses are budgeted according to fiscal year under account number 403000-50912 – Board Travel.

VIII. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

IX. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

N/A

X. ATTACHMENTS

None

Prepared by: Erica Aguiñiga, Executive and Board Support Senior Specialist



LEAD STAFF: JOHN VAN CAMP, MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT

I. REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$12,400,000 (Grant funds already awarded)

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the Interim CEO to execute an amendment to the contract with Gillig LLC for the purchase and delivery of five (5) additional hybrid electric buses through the State of Washington Department of Enterprise Services (DES) Cooperative Contract. These buses will replace the 2013 hybrid-electric buses that have reached their Useful Life Benchmark (ULB). Increase the contract authority by \$12,400,000 to accommodate the five (5) additional vehicles to the 27 previously approved to bring the total to 32 buses, Producer Price Index (PPI) adjustments, CAD/AVL equipment upgrades, and contingencies; also amend the Not-to-Exceed (NTE) contract total to \$44,800,000. The State of Washington Department of Enterprise Services (DES) Cooperative Contract ends on March 31, 2026, and the new contract will be with increased pricing.

III. SUMMARY

- In December 2024, the Board authorized the purchase of twenty-seven (27) hybrid electric buses from Gillig LLC. for an NTE amount of \$32,400,000.
- Purchase of these buses is through the State of Washington DES Cooperative Contract.
- The purchase of the first eleven (11) Gillig buses was delayed until March 2025 due to the undetermined status of Senate Bill (SB) 125 funding.
- Originally, the cost per bus in December 2024 was quoted at \$1,200,000 for a total NTE of \$32,400,000 for twenty-seven (27) buses.
- Current cost adjustments allowed under the Producer Price Index (PPI) for tariffs, inflation, and updated order changes since December 2024 have occurred.
- The first order of eleven (11) hybrid buses, placed in March 2025, increased by 7.25% to \$1,226,359 base price per bus, a difference of \$26,359 per bus from the original price quote.
- The second order for twenty-one (21) hybrid buses, which will be placed, pending board approval, in February 2026, will reflect a 13.75% cost increase

- over the previous order of eleven (11) buses, totaling \$1,291,424 base price per bus, a difference of \$65,000 per bus.
- In addition, a cost of \$28,000 per bus for a total of \$896,000 will be required to update all thirty-two (32) buses to the latest CAD/AVL system.
 - A contingency of \$130,491 per bus to allow for potential production variances such as additional PPI adjustments, extended warranties, and unforeseen tariff-related cost changes.
 - Staff is requesting an additional funding amount of \$12,400,000. All thirty-two (32) buses will bring the revised NTE total to \$44,800,000.

IV. DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

The San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) is committed to maintaining its bus fleet in a State of Good Repair (SGR) in accordance with Federal and State requirements. RTD continues to replace aging buses identified in its Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan, in accordance with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) useful-life guidelines. Timely replacement of these vehicles ensures riders receive safe, clean, and reliable transportation. Newer equipment features the latest in emissions-control devices and is less prone to mechanical failures, service delays, and lifecycle maintenance costs, resulting in more efficient, cost-effective operations.

In December 2024, the Board authorized the purchase of twenty-seven (27) hybrid electric buses from Gillig LLC through the State of Washington DES Cooperative Contract for an NTE amount of \$32,400,000, based on an estimated per-bus cost of \$1,200,000.

The purchase of the first eleven (11) Gillig buses were delayed until March 2025 due to the undetermined status of SB 125 funding.

Since December 2024, bus pricing has increased due to contractual PPI adjustments related to inflation, tariffs, and updated order conditions. The first order, consisting of eleven (11) hybrid electric buses placed in March 2025, reflected a 7.25 percent increase, resulting in a base price of \$1,226,359 per bus, an increase of \$26,359 per bus over the original estimate.

The second order, anticipated to be placed in February 2026, includes twenty-one (21) hybrid electric buses, five (5) additional buses from the original authorization needed to replace additional buses that have reached their ULB in accordance with the TAM Plan, RTD's ten-year capital plan and RTD's goal of keeping the fleet in SGR. The buses to be ordered reflect an additional 13.75 percent increase over the prior order of eleven (11) buses, resulting in a base price of \$1,291,424 per bus, an increase of approximately \$65,000 per bus. The proposed amendment will bring the total number of buses included in this program to thirty-two (32).

All thirty-two (32) buses require upgrades to the latest CAD/AVL system to ensure compatibility with RTD’s recently awarded contract to Vontas' dispatching platform. The cost for these upgrades is estimated at \$28,000 per bus, totaling approximately \$896,000.

To address continued PPI escalations, production variances, warranty considerations, and unforeseen tariff-related cost changes, a contingency of \$130,491 per bus has been included. This contingency totals \$2,740,300 and applies to the remaining twenty-one (21) buses.

These updates bring the revised NTE contract amount to \$44,800,000.

The DES Cooperative Contract with Gillig LLC remains the most cost-effective procurement option available to RTD, allowing the agency to leverage multi-agency volume pricing while avoiding the administrative costs, procurement risks, and schedule delays associated with a standalone competitive solicitation.

V. STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT

This recommendation aligns with the Board’s Strategic Priorities 2, 3, and 4. Strategic Priorities:

1. Employees
2. Customers
3. Financial Health
4. Operations Excellence
5. Community Relations
6. Innovation

VI. CUSTOMER IMPACT

Replacing older buses with new hybrid units improves passenger comfort and service reliability and reduces emissions. New technology integrations will also enhance safety and operational visibility.

VII. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACT

The funding of the thirty-two (32) buses is identified in the FY 2025 Capital Budget. The funding sources for these buses are

FY25 5307 -	\$2,038,251
FY25 5339a -	\$1,501,437
5339b Low/No -	\$10,300,000
STA -	\$5,371,100
FY24-27 MSRK -	\$6,027,057
FY25 LTF Capital -	\$19,562,356
Total	\$44,800,201

The Board previously authorized an NTE contract amount of \$32,400,000 in December 2024 for the purchase of twenty-seven (27) hybrid electric buses.

Due to Producer Price Index (PPI) adjustments, the addition of five (5) buses, CAD/AVL system upgrades, and contingency allowances for production variances and tariff-related cost changes, staff is requesting an additional \$12,400,000 in contract authority.

If approved, the revised total contract NTE will be \$44,800,000.

VIII. CHANGES FROM COMMITTEE

N/A

IX. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

- Direct staff to procure the buses as a standalone RTD procurement. This is not recommended due to the increased time and man-hours required for this type of procurement. Additionally, the bus price will be considerably higher due to the lower quantity procured.
- Do nothing and allow more mileage and time to accumulate on the buses, circumventing RTD's ten-year capital plan, SGR and the TAM programs and goals. This is not recommended because emissions are higher on older equipment, reliability is compromised, safety standards are not met, repair costs will exceed the cost of the bus, and it is not fiscally beneficial.

X. ATTACHMENTS

N/A

Prepared by: John Van Camp, Maintenance Superintendent