## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

November 7, 2023

#### PRESENTATIONS

Presentations

**AC Transit Realign Project** 



# Realign

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## **Realign Draft Service Scenarios**

AC Transit Realign Bus Service Network Plan Update City of Hayward Council

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023



## **AC Transit At-a-Glance**

#### **Rider Demographics:**

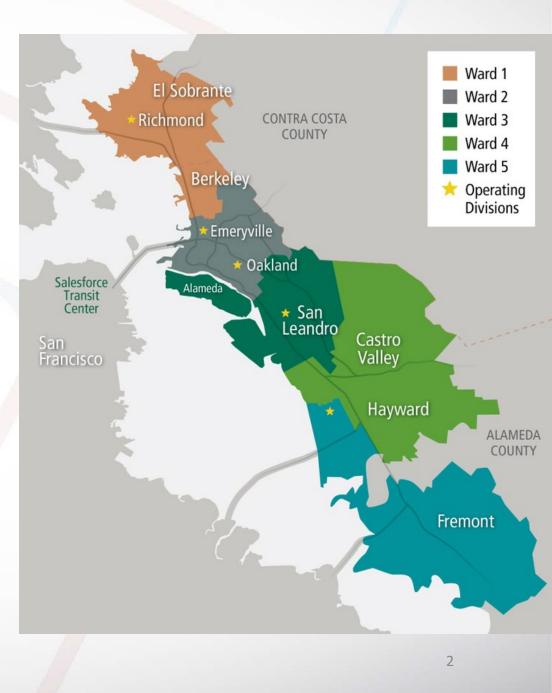
- •65% low income
- •75% people of color
- •29% Limited English Proficiency
- •27% of riders are traveling to work
- •30,000 student trips to and from school every school day

#### **Riders During Pandemic:**

•40% of riders made an essential trip
•15% of riders identified as an essential worker
•43% riders do not have access to a car

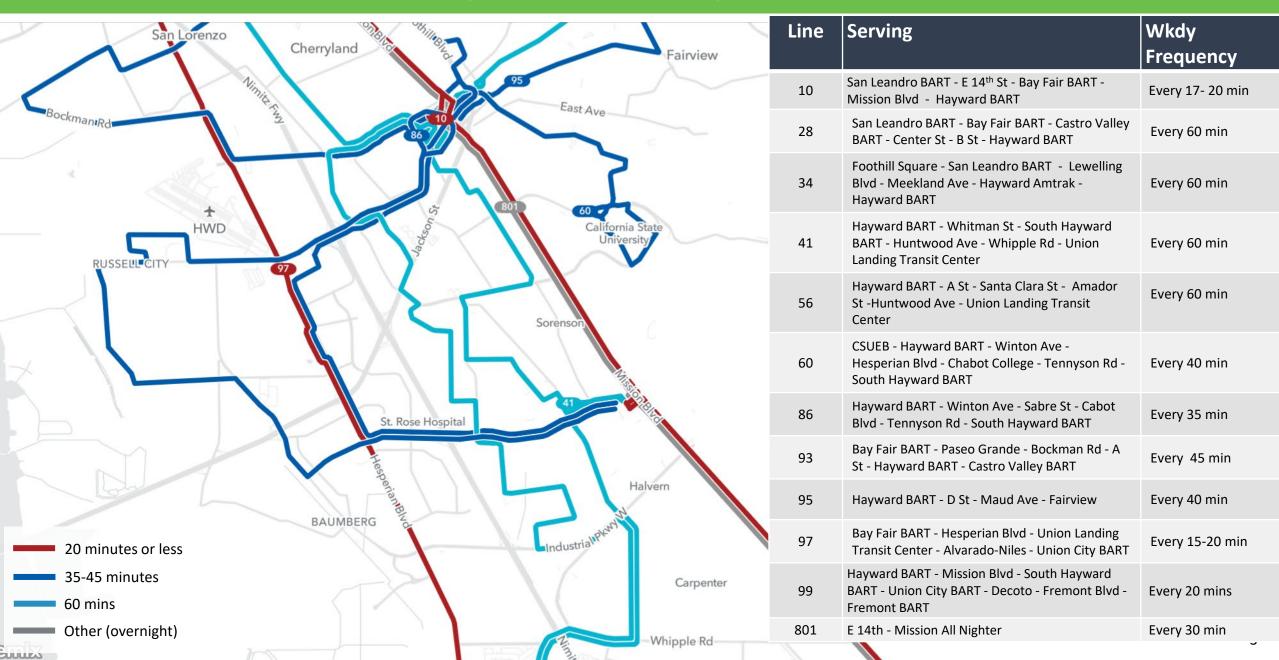
#### We serve

*Essential workers, students, low-income, seniors, commuters, individuals with disabilities, and anyone wishing to reduce their carbon footprint.* 



## Transit Service in Hayward Today







## What is Realign?

# It's a review of AC Transit's routes and schedules.

Where do routes go to and from? How often do buses run along each route?

What times of day are routes running?



# Why is Realign Happening?

Challenges with hiring and retaining enough bus operators AC Transit rider habits have shifted

Ridership is at 72% of prepandemic levels Challenging budget outlook due to fare and tax revenue losses.



## **Realign Project Phasing**

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Develop Plans + Learn Rider Needs

Mar-Jun 2023

Aligning Guiding Principles with Community Assessment

Jul-Aug 2023

Develop Service Scenarios and Gather Feedback

*Sep-Dec 2023* 

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Draft Final Service Plan and Plan Adoption

Jan-Apr 2024

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Develop Service Standards and Inform Riders about Service Changes Apr-Sep 2024

5

On-going emphasis on equity and transparency in all project phases and communications

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# **Realign Goals**

Redesigning the network to be more attractive for riders

#### Creating a network which:

- Incorporates what we heard from the public
- Reflects how people travel today
- Gets people where they want to go
- Works within available resources



# Guiding Principles

#### Equity

Provide a network that prioritizes services for communities who need it the most.

### Reliability

Provide bus service that is reliable and predictable.

#### Frequency

Provide frequent service to the most people; frequency's importance will vary by location and be balanced against geographic coverage and community needs.

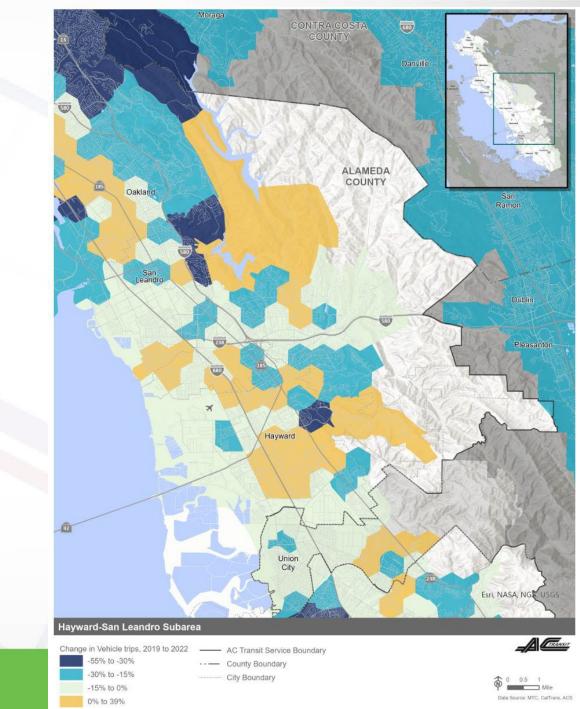
#### Engagement

### We heard you!



## **Demand Trends**

- Over the Past Decade:
  - Aging population, fewer youth, fewer low-income households, fewer zerovehicle households
- Since the Pandemic:
  - Demand up in select locales with lower incomes, more diversity
  - Job center demand down most significantly





## **Service Scenarios Overview**



Stay the Course

More Frequency, Less Coverage



**Frequent Service Scenario** 

## Unconstrained

(Pending funding availability)

More Frequency, More Coverage

Unconstrained Vision Scenario



## **Balanced Coverage Scenario**

- Keeps today's balance between core service and providing network coverage.
  - Improves access to many destinations
  - New coverage to areas with high transit demand
  - Simplifies routes to improve reliability and travel time
  - Better matches service frequency to customer demand





## **Frequent Service Scenario**

- Focuses more frequent service in denser areas at the cost of network coverage.
  - All local routes provide weekday service at least every 30 minutes
  - Better frequency on busier trunk routes
  - Simplifies routes to improve reliability and travel times
  - Eliminates less productive local lines and route segments.





## **Unconstrained Vision Scenario**

- Expanded frequent service, expanded coverage, more revenue, operators, buses, bus garages needed.
- Restores pandemic suspensions, with some changes to support equity and reflect new travel patterns.
- Proposed on-demand microtransit zones where fixed route service expansion is less practical.





# **Key Highlights**

Consistent between Balanced Coverage and Frequent Service scenarios

Dublin Canyon Kd

Arthur H. Breed Junior Fwy **Eden Medical** 10 Current Center Ashland **Castro Valley** 10 Proposed 99 Current Y Fwy **Five Canyons Open Space** Coothill Blud San Lorenzo Cherryland Line 99 is proposed to be discontinued, Nimit and Line 10 will be extended south 10 Bockman Rd along Mission Blvd to South Hayward 99 BART and Union City BART. HWD California State W Winton Ave University RUSSELL CITY Sorenso Garin Regional Park St. Rose Hospital Bremix

**TPC** Stonebrae

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# **System-wide Summary**

	Existing Network	Balanced Coverage Scenario	Frequent Service Scenario	Unconstrained Vision Scenario
10 minutes or less	2 routes	3 routes	4 routes	20 routes
10 - 15 minutes	9 routes	8 routes	10 routes	17 routes
15 – 30 minutes	28 routes	34 routes	39 routes	26 routes
Over 30 minutes	23 routes	14 routes	0 routes	0 routes
Total	62 routes	59 routes	53 routes	63 routes



# **Public Engagement: Phase 3**

November 1 – December 13, 2023



Shape the future of AC Transit's bus network

Review and comment on bus service proposals online, in person, or at a local library.

Visit: actransit.org/realign



## Public Engagement: Phase 3 November 1 – December 13, 2023

- **20+** Community Pop-Ups and Pop-Ins\*
- **30+** City Council/Commission Presentations
- 2 Lived Experience Advisory Group (LEAG) Meetings
- **10** CBO Partnerships
- 7 CBO-led Open House events
- **1** Community Virtual Workshop on December 7, 2023
- 2 updates to AC Transit Board on November 1 and December 13

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# Public Engagement: Phase 3

Print and Digital Collateral Digital Interactive Maps/Feedback

Static Maps/Feedback

Downloadable PDF/Print Maps/Feedback





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Item# 7

#### LB 23-040

#### **Council Member Handbook**

# Council Member Handbook Modifications

City Council Meeting October 24, 2023

City Manager Assistant City Manager City Clerk City Attorney

## Background

The Council Member Handbook was adopted in July 1983 to provide procedural rules for how the Council will operate

The Council typically reviews the handbook annually and adopts changes to processes and procedures, as necessary.

The Council held a retreat on April 22, 2023, and discussed proposed changes to the handbook.

Mayor appointed Ad Hoc Committee: Mayor Salinas, Councilmember Goldstein, Councilmember Syrop



The Ad Hoc Committee met on June 12<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup>, and September 18<sup>th</sup>



Areas of Review and Consensus

- 1. Compensation for Members
- 2. Council Office Budget Guidelines
- 3. Special Meetings
- 4. Agenda
- 5. Delivery of Agenda
- 6. Rules, Decorum, and Order
- 7. Motion to Amend
- 8. Council Committees and Appointments
- 9. Responsibility of Council Liaison
- 10. Committees, Commissions, and Task Forces



# **Compensation for Members**

- Hayward Municipal Code Chapter 2, Article 1, Section 2-1.10
  - Mayor \$40,000
  - Councilmember \$25,000
  - Beginning July 1, 2003 increases based on the Consumer Price Index San Francisco-Oakland Metropolitan Area - All Items, not to exceed 5%
- Salaries have not consistently been adjusted in accordance with code.
  - 2004-2022 waived increases
  - 2009 5% pay cut
- Current Salaries
  - Mayor \$41,958
  - Councilmember \$26,224

Note: None of the options require a change to the language in the Council Handbook

- Option 1 Make no changes to the current Mayor and Councilmember salaries. Adhere to code moving forward.
  - Mayor \$41,958
  - Councilmember \$26,224
- Option 2 Update Mayor and Councilmember salaries to reflect salaries that would be in place had code provisions been applied consistently beginning FY2004 through FY2024.
  - Mayor \$69,288
  - Councilmember \$43,305
- Option 3 Update Mayor and Councilmember salaries to reflect salaries that would be in place had code provisions been applied consistently beginning FY2016 through FY2024.
  - Mayor \$52,782
  - Councilmember \$32,989

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# **Other Sections Reviewed**

- 2. Council Office Budget Guidelines
  - Language added to document the amount of educational and discretionary funding that each member is allocated (Mayor - \$5,000 and Council \$2,500)
  - Language added to include the sponsorship of community events as an acceptable use of discretionary funds
  - **Change** to allow for other expenses as approved by the City Manager and Mayor instead of Council, including a process to settle disagreements

#### 3. Special Meetings – *No Changes*

- 4. Agenda
  - Language *added* to prohibit public comments that impede the orderly conduct of the Council



# **Other Sections Reviewed**

- 5. Delivery of Agenda *No Changes*
- 6. Rules, Decorum, and Order
  - Language *added* to clarify criticism as protected speech
  - Language added to remind members that advanced notice about how a member intends to vote should not be shared on social media
  - Language *added* to remind members not to directly respond to other members on social media
- 7. Motion to Amend
  - Language *changed* to clarify the process of amending a motion



# **Other Sections Reviewed**

- 8. Council Committees and Appointments
  - Language added to document a new process for ratifying the Mayor's appointments to standing committees, commissions and boards via a consent agenda item.
  - Language added directing the use of the same consent agenda item, if the terms coincide with the Mayor's other appointments, to appoint members to other boards requiring a resolution
- 9. Responsibility of Council Liaison
  - Language added to clarify that liaisons could share information from board and commission meetings during the Council Reports and Announcements section of the Council Agenda

#### 10. Committees, Commissions, and Task Forces

- Language *added* from Resolution 87-323 related to the removal or non-reappointment of commissioners who fail to meet attendance requirements (special meetings will count for attendance purposes)
- Brown Act language added related to meeting requirements in person and remote
- The City Council has expressed a strong preference for commissioners and task force members to attend meetings in person.



# Two Additional Recommended Changes:

- Page 26 of the Handbook on "Work Sessions" Staff recommends deleting the last sentence that reads "A Work Session presentation and discussion shall be limited to one hour" as this is no longer the Council's practice.
- Page 13 of the Council Appointed Officials Handbook on "Bylaws" – Staff recommends adding a sentence that reads "Bylaw amendments must be reviewed by the Council."



## Questions

