

Madera Transit Advisory Board (TAB) Quarterly Meeting

205 W. 4th Street, Madera, California 93637

NOTICE AND AGENDA

**Tuesday, July 28, 2026
5:30pm**

**Council Chambers
City Hall**

The Madera City Transit Advisory Board (TAB) Meetings are open to the public and available via Zoom at the following link <https://cityofmadera.zoom.us/j/89443591272>. Members of the public may comment on agenda items at the meeting or remotely through an electronic meeting via phone by dialing (669) 900-6833 enter ID: 894 4359 1272. Comments will also be accepted via email at transitinfo@madera.gov or by regular mail or delivered to: City of Madera, Attn: Transit Manager 205 W. 4th Street, Madera, CA 93637.

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL:

MEMBER

Andrew Albonico, Vice Chair
Jack Porter
Alvina Miguel-Leon
Marie Luna
Sipho Munyaradzi
Otilia Morales
Cynthia Ortegon, Chair

REPRESENTING

Mayor Cece Gallegos
Mayor Pro Tem Rohi Zacharia, District 1
Councilmember Jose Rodriguez, District 2
Councilmember Steve Montes, District 3
Councilmember Anita Evans, District 4
Councilmember Elsa Mejia, District 5
Councilmember Artemio Villegas, District 6

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The first 15 minutes of the meeting are reserved for members of the public to address the TAB on items which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the TAB. Speakers shall be limited to three minutes. Speakers will be asked, but are not required, to identify themselves and state the subject of their comments. If the subject is an item on the Agenda, the Chair has the option of asking the speaker to hold the comment until that item is called. Comments on items listed as a Public Hearing on the Agenda should be held until the hearing is opened. The Board is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters

discussed that are not on the Agenda, and no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the Council does not respond to public comment at this time.

OBJECTIVE:

The objective of this meeting is to discuss items related to transit issues.

AGENDA:

A.	Consent Agenda • Adoption of July 28, 2026, TAB Agenda • Review and Approve Minutes 1. May 11, 2026, Minutes	ACTION
B.	Quarterly Transit Presentation • Members will receive a presentation reviewing data for FY25/26 Quarter 4 and FY25/26 Year-to-Date, including safety information	INFORMATION

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

UPCOMING DISCUSSION TOPICS

UPCOMING MEETING DATES

- September 22, 2026
- January 26, 2027
- April 27, 2027

ADJOURNMENT

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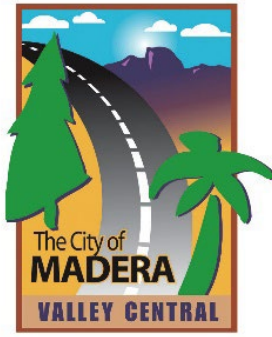
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- Para asistencia en español sobre este aviso, favor de llamar al (559) 661-3693.

I, Xochitl M. Villaseñor, Program Manager - Transit for the City of Madera, declare under penalty of perjury that I posted the above Transit Advisory Board Agenda for the Quarterly Meeting of July 28, 2026, near the front entrance of City Hall and Transit Advisory Webpage by Friday, July 24, 2026.

Xochitl M. Villaseñor

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Program Manager - Transit



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MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 11, 2026
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CALL TO ORDER:
Cynthia Ortegon called meeting to order at 5:30pm.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBER PRESENT	PRESENT
Andrew Albonico, Vice Chair – Mayor Nominee	Y
Cynthia Ortegon, Chair – District 6	Y
Jack Porter – District 1	N
Alvina Miguel-Leon – District 2	Y
Marie Luna – District 3	N
Sipho Munyaradzi – District 4	Y
Otilia Morales – District 5	N
IN-PERSON STAFF PRESENT	
Mike Lima – Finance Director	
Marcela Zuniga – Grants Administrator	
Xochitl Villaseñor – Transit Manager	
IN-PERSON PUBLIC PRESENT	
None	
ZOOM ATTENDEES	
Steve Wilks - Flexlynqs	
Josh Albertson - Flexlynqs	

PUBLIC COMMENTS:
None

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A.	Consent Agenda Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda. Motion/Second by Members Munyaradzi and Miguel-Leon. Motion to approve minutes from May 11, 2026. Motion/Second by Members Albonico and Munyaradzi.
B.	Calendar Approval An error was found on the dates. Staff reviewed the corrected dates for each of the TAB Meetings. Staff was directed to correct the dates. Motion was made to accept the FY2026/2027 Calendar with the acknowledgement that staff will correct the dates and email the revised calendar to members. Motion/Second by Members Albonico and Munyaradzi.
C.	Flexlynqs Presentation Steve Wilks and Josh Albertson were present via Zoom to share final Micro Transit Feasibility Study findings and recommendations. Recommendations were presented that included improving transit services through a hybrid system of modified fixed routes and on-demand services while aiming to deliver better service within existing budget constraints. The presentation highlighted community desires for faster, more reliable transportation with improved information and marketing, while addressing current system challenges such as long wait times and underused routes. The proposed plan includes enhancing Routes 1 and 2 with more direct routing, improved frequency, and modernized fleet, while discontinuing Routes 3 and 4 to reallocate resources. The plan also introduces app-based on-demand microtransit services, expanded weekend hours, and a new supplemental on-demand service like an Uber or Lyft for early morning and evening gaps. The implementation will occur in phases over 6-9 months, starting with transitioning to on-demand microtransit pilots, followed by fixed route refinements and public communication; and finally, the implementation of service enhancements. The plan aims to improve ridership, reduce costs per trip, and enhance overall service delivery while maintaining ADA compliance and addressing potential public concerns through strong communication strategies. Included in the recommendation is a Fresno connector service that would transport residents to key locations in Fresno, particularly medical and educational facilities. Mike Lima clarified that it would only provide transportation to specific drop-off points like El Paseo or River Park, not direct hospital access, and would serve both directions with potential connections to Fresno City College and Fresno State. Motion was made to approve and recommend the study report be forwarded to City Council for review and final approval. Motion/Second by Members Albonico and Munyaradzi.
D.	TAM Plan Review The Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan is required by the Federal Transportation Agency (FTA) and must be reviewed annually. The purpose of the plan is to achieve and maintain assets in a state of good repair. If needed, the plan may be revised annually but is required to be updated every four years. Xochitl presented the Transit Asset Management Plan for fiscal year 2026-2030, which outlines guidelines for maintaining transit assets including buses and facilities in a state of good repair using a 5-to-1 rating scale. The plan includes vehicle replacement considerations, with discussions about

	transitioning from compressed natural gas (CNG) to electric vehicles by 2040, though current challenges with grid capacity and charging infrastructure were noted. This was an informational item and no action was required.
E.	PTASP Review X. Villaseñor reviewed the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP). The PTASP is required by the FTA for the purpose of improving transit safety. It requires operators to implement a Safety Management System, assess risks, and set performance targets that should be reviewed annually. Marcela added that the plan requires annual safety performance monitoring and includes confidential reporting mechanisms for staff concerns. This was an informational item and no action was required.
F.	Updates X. Villaseñor shared the current passenger counts. It was highlighted that, when compared to the same quarter last year, Fixed Route has fewer passengers while DAR/ADA Vans ridership has increased.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Member reports are an opportunity for members to share individual projects, and/or bring forward any issues/concerns or celebrations outside of the meeting agenda.

- Member Albonico shared that MUSDs CNG pumps are finally up. X.Villaseñor connected the importance of these pumps working with the fact that Madera Metro has a partnership with MUSD to fuel its CNG buses and when the pumps are down, it impacts Madera Metro's services.

UPCOMING DISCUSSION TOPICS

- Quarterly PAX
- Safety concerns/complaints

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ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:01pm.