Taxicab Advisory Committee Agenda

November 18, 2026

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November 18, 2026

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Metropolitan Transit System

Taxicab Advisory Committee Meeting

Agenda

November 18, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.

In-Person Participation: James R. Mills Building, 1255 Imperial Avenue, 10th Floor Board Room, San Diego CA 92101

Teleconference Participation: (669) 254-5252; Webinar ID: https:160 727 3020; https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1607273020

NO.	ITEM SUBJECT AND DESCRIPTION	ACTION
1.	**Roll Call**	
2.	**Public Comments**	
3.	**Approval of Minutes** Action would approve the July 21, 2026 Taxicab Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes.	Approve
	DISCUSSION ITEMS	
4.	**Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Amended Budget Forecast and Calendar Year (CY) 2027 Fee Schedule (Gordon Meyer and Leonardo Fewell)**	Informational
5.	**Autonomous Vehicle Passenger Service Update (Rosa Olascoaga-Vidal, City of San Diego, Office of Council Member Sean Elo-Rivera)**	Informational
6.	**Online Permitting Portal Update (Leonardo Fewell)**	Informational
7.	**For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA) Operations Update (Leonardo Fewell)**	Informational
	OTHER ITEMS	
8.	**Topics for Next Taxicab Advisory Committee Meeting (Leonardo Fewell)**	Informational
9.	**Committee Member Communications and Other Business**	
10.	**Next Meeting Date: To Be Determined**	
11.	**Adjournment**	

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM

TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

July 21, 2026

[Clerk's note: Except where noted, public, staff and Committee member comments are paraphrased. The full comment can be heard by reviewing the recording at the MTS website.]

1. Roll Call

Chair Elo-Rivera called the Taxicab Advisory Committee meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. A roll call sheet listing Taxicab Advisory Committee member attendance is attached as Attachment A.

Chair Elo-Rivera introduced Mr. Agustin Hodoyan as the newly appointed TAC member, appointed to fill a vacancy representing permit holders of one permit category.

2. Public Comments

There were no Public Comments.

3. Approval of Minutes

Committee Member Peter Zschiesche moved to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2026, MTS Taxicab Advisory Committee meeting. Chair Elo-Rivera seconded the motion, and the vote was 8 to 0 in favor with 7 absent (Committee Member Able Seifu, Committee Member Alemayehu Tegegne, Committee Member Gonzalo Ayala, Committee Member Aklilu Fray, Committee Member Letty Canizalez, Committee Member Eduardo Gonzalez and Committee Member Horacio Sanchez) and 1 vacancy for the representative of Taxicab Lease Driver.

PUBLIC HEARING

4. Driver Recognition Program Awards (Leonardo Fewell)

Leonardo Fewell, MTS For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA) Manager, presented on the Driver Recognition Program Awards. He explained the criteria used to select recipients which included positive feedback from passengers, nonemergency medical service companies, dispatch services and input from FHVA inspectors. Mr. Fewell then described the gifts being awarded and honored each recipient individually in recognition of their outstanding service. The Driver Recognition Awards were presented to the following recipients: Ahmed Saadat Nejad, winner of the Taxicab, Jitney, or Low-Speed Driver Category, and Omar Dawood, winner of the Non-Emergency/Charter Driver Category.

Public Comment

There were no Public Comments.

Committee Comment

There were no Committee Comments.

Action Taken

Informational item only. No action taken.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Taxicab Advisory Committee Membership Guidelines (Leonardo Fewell)

DRAFT

Leonardo Fewell, MTS FHVA Manager, presented the Taxicab Advisory Committee Membership Guidelines. He outlined the committee's composition, identifying the represented stakeholder groups and the number of designated seats within each category. Mr. Fewell reported that vacancies currently exist in the Lease Driver and San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau categories. He subsequently solicited nominations for an interim appointment to the Lease Driver seat and requested recommendations for potential representatives from the San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Public Comment

There were no Public Comments.

Committee Comment

There were no Committee Comments.

Action Taken

Informational item only. No action taken.

6. For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA) Operation Update (Leonardo Fewell)

Leonardo Fewell, MTS FHVA Manager, presented on For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA) Operation Update. He discussed: The primary method of communication, Ordinance 11 (Permit holders must notify FHVA of any changes to their contact information), FHVA staff availability, certificate of insurance requirements, wildcatter enforcement statistics, FHVA field inspection statistics, Customer feedback cases, airport trip data thus far for Calendar Year (CY) 2026, and future online permitting portal. Mr. Fewell relayed that as part of the transition to conduct business online, starting August 1, 2026, FHVA would only be accepting applications through email.

Public Comment

There were no Public Comments.

Committee Comment

There were no Committee Comments.

Action Taken

Informational item only. No action taken.

7. Topics for Next Taxicab Advisory Committee Meeting (Leonardo Fewell)

Leonardo Fewell, MTS For-Hire Vehicle Administration Manager, presented on Topics for Next Taxicab Advisory Committee Meeting. He recommended including FHVA 2027 budget overview and fee schedule, possible revisions to the Taxicab Advisory Committee Membership Guidelines, a report on autonomous vehicle passenger services, airport access fees and FHVA operations update.

Public Comment

There were no Public Comments.

Committee Comment

Chair Elo-Rivera noted that the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) received an application from Waymo to begin operating in San Diego. He then asked Rosa Olascoaga-Vidal, Deputy Chief of Strategic Initiatives, to provide an update on autonomous vehicle passenger services. Ms. Olascoaga-Vidal summarized previous discussions on the topic by the TAC and the MTS Board of Directors, both of which had registered protest positions against Waymo's application. She noted that, as a result, consideration of Waymo's permit had been delayed until September 24. Ms. Olascoaga-Vidal further stated that no action is currently being taken to prevent issuance of the permit. While autonomous vehicles are not presently licensed for commercial passenger operations, driverless vehicles are being tested in San Diego. Chair Elo-Rivera thanked Ms. Olascoaga-Vidal and reiterated his belief that driverless vehicles pose an existential threat to the livelihoods of professional drivers. He also expressed concerns regarding safety based on experiences observed in other jurisdictions.

Committee Member Peter Zschiesche stated that he would like to receive an update at the November TAC meeting regarding the impact of the transition to the digital email-based application system, as he believes the process may present challenges for some drivers. He noted that his dispatch company will be assisting their members with completing digital applications. Committee Member Zschiesche further requested feedback on whether drivers are experiencing difficulties with the new application process, particularly with using email and creating passwords to access the new portal.

Chair Elo-Revera again thanked Ms. Olascoaga-Vidal for closely monitoring developments related to driverless vehicles. He stated that the State has sought to limit the role of local authorities in decision-making. Referring to Ms. Olascoaga-Vidal's comments regarding the City of San Diego's involvement, Chair Elo-Rivera stated that the City would continue to keep the committee and the public informed as it explores ways to ensure that driverless vehicles operate safely and do not undermine the livelihoods of drivers in San Diego.

Committee Member Peter Zschiesche added that both Uber and Lyft pay a fee to the state of California for not offering services to people with disabilities and asked if anyone at CPUC had thought of an equivalent fee for autonomous vehicles. He stated that autonomous vehicles cannot provide the same level of assistance and support to members of the disability community as human drivers. As a result, he questioned why autonomous vehicle companies would not similarly contribute funds that could be used to support accessible transportation services through alternative means. Committee Member Zschiesche concluded by encouraging consideration of accessibility challenges faced by the disability community and asking how autonomous vehicle operators plan to address those concerns in a manner comparable to existing rideshare providers. Ms. Olascoaga-Vidal agreed with Committee Member Peter Zschiesche and noted that his concerns aligned with those being raised by Chair Elo-Revera’s team regarding ADA accessibility and Waymo.

Action Taken

Informational item only. No action taken.

OTHER ITEMS

8. Committee Member Communications

Chair Elo-Rivera requested whether communications regarding opportunities to engage with the City on autonomous vehicle issues could be routed through Mr. Fewell to committee members and industry stakeholders. Chair Elo-Rivera noted the importance of hearing from these groups as autonomous vehicles make their way to San Diego.

9. Next Meeting Date

The next Taxicab Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

[Clerk's note: Subsequent to this meeting, the Taxicab Advisory Committee meeting was re-scheduled from November 20, 2026, at 10:00am to November 18, 2026 at 1:00pm].

10. Adjournment

Chair Elo-Rivera adjourned the meeting at 10:46 a.m.

Chairperson San Diego Metropolitan Transit System	Committee Clerk San Diego Metropolitan Transit System

Attachment: A. Roll Call Sheet

SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING

ROLL CALL

MEETING OF (DATE): July 21, 2026 CALL TO ORDER (TIME): 10:07 am

ADJOURN: 10:46 am

COMMITTEE MEMBER		ALTERNATE		ORGANIZATION	PRESENT (TIME ARRIVED)	ABSENT (TIME LEFT)
Voting Committee Members						
Sean Elo-Rivera (Chair)	☒	None	☐	MTS Board of Directors/ SD City Council	10:07am	10:46am
Able Seifu	☒	None	☐	Permit Holder / Odyssey Cab	10:16am	10:46am
Alemayehu Tegegne	☐	None	☐	Permit Holder / AT Cab	Absent	Absent
Gonzalo Ayala	☐	None	☐	Permit Holder / Heritage Cab	Absent	Absent
Aklilu Fray	☐	None	☐	Permit Holder / AK Cab	Absent	Absent
Yona Tekeste Kahsai	☒	None	☐	Permit Holder / Yonisam Cab	10:07am	10:46am
Agustin Hodoyan	☒	None	☐	Permit Holder / Soul Cab	10:07am	10:46am
Letty Canizalez	☐	None	☐	SD Tourism Authority	Absent	Absent
Eduardo Gonzalez	☐	Jose Raul Alcantar	☐	Cross Border X-Press	Absent	Absent
Mikaiil Hussein	☐	Peter Zschiesche	☒	United Taxi Workers SD	10:07am	10:46am
Derek Praeger	☒	Thanh Nguyen	☐	SD Convention Center	10:07am	10:46am
Marc Nichols	☒	Michael Anderson	☐	SD Regional Airport Authority	10:07am	10:46am
Francisco Bates	☒	None	☐	Border Transportation Council (BTC)	10:07am	10:46am
Cesar Lopez	☒	None	☐	Taxicab Lease Driver	10:07am	10:46am
Horacio Sanchez	☐	None	☐	Taxicab Lease Driver	Absent	Absent
VACANT	☐	None	☐	Taxicab Lease Driver		
Non – Voting Committee Members						
Jonathan Garcia	☒	Austin Shepard	☐	SD Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures	10:07am	10:46am
Jessica Marty	☐	None	☐	SD County Sheriff's Department Licensing Division	Absent	Absent

COMMITTEE CLERK: /S/ Adriana Castro

Metropolitan Transit System

Agenda Item No. 4

MEETING OF THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

November 18, 2026

SUBJECT:

Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Amended Budget Forecast and Calendar Year (CY) 2027 Fee Schedule (Gordon Meyer and Leonardo Fewell)

INFORMATIONAL ONLY

Budget Impact

None with this item.

DISCUSSION:

San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is required to "levy the fees necessary to recover the full cost of licensing and regulating these services." (Pub. Util. Code § 120266, subd. (b).) Therefore, MTS operates its For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA) on a full cost recovery basis, charging fees to the For-Hire Vehicle (FHV) industry each year in amounts determined by MTS to be necessary to cover MTS's operating and capital expenses.

The FHVA FY 2027 Budget was adopted by the MTS Board of Directors on June 18, 2026. Mid-year budget analysis and adjustments continue until Board adoption in March 2027. CY 2027 annual regulatory fees are not collected until March 5, 2027 (or April 2, 2027, if late fee paid). Thus, actual regulatory fee amounts received will not be known when the FHVA FY 2027 Amended Budget is adopted by the MTS Board of Directors around March 2027. The following is only a forecast of the FY 2027 Amended Budget. Actual amounts in the final mid-year budget adjustment may be different than what is described in this agenda item.

FY 2027 Amended Budget Forecast

Attachment A includes forecasted expenditures and revenues in a summary format. Attachment B includes the same information but in a more detailed format.

Revenues: FHVA receives operating revenue from annual regulatory fees as well as application/processing fees. Based on the proposed CY 2027 Fee Schedule, the revised forecast for FY 2027 operating revenues is $907,000, an increase of $46,000 (5.3%) from the original FY 2027 budget. Within operating revenues, regulatory fee revenue is increasing by $5,000 (0.7%). The original FY 2027 budget assumed 663 NEM/Charter permits at $525 ($35 increase) and 838 Taxi/Other permits at $410 ($25 increase) for a total of $690,425. The

San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is a California public agency comprised of San Diego Transit Corp., San Diego Trolley, Inc. and San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway Company (nonprofit public benefit corporations). MTS member agencies include the cities of Chula Vista, Coronado, El Cajon, Imperial Beach, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, National City, Poway, San Diego, Santee, and the County of San Diego. MTS is also the For-Hire Vehicle administrator for multiple cities in San Diego County.

amended forecast assumes 757 NEM/Charter permits at $520 ($30 increase) and 744 Taxi/Other permits at $405 ($20 increase) for a total of $694,960. Other operating revenue, which includes application and processing fees, is projected to be $212,000, an increase of $41,000 (24.0%) from the original FY 2027 budget, based on performance during the past few fiscal years.

Expenses: Total operating expenses, excluding the overhead allocation, are projected to be $978,000, representing no change from the original FY 2027 budget.

Personnel costs are projected to be $770,000 in the FY 2027 amended budget forecast. The budget for personnel reflects wages and benefits for seven (7) full-time positions.

Outside Services are projected to be $74,000 for FY 2027. The outside services budget includes printing services, radio network fees paid to the County, management training, uniform purchases, legal expenses, and costs for new permitting software. Within outside services, the forecast for legal services is $50,000, which is well above historical norms but well below the $259,000 in legal costs that were incurred during FY 2026.

Materials and Supplies costs are projected to be $500 in the amended FY 2027 budget.

Energy costs are projected to remain at the original budget of $7,000. This includes gasoline costs for the four leased vehicles used for inspection activities.

Risk Management costs are projected to be $11,700 in FY 2027. This includes the annual Special Liability Insurance premium for the FHVA.

General and Administrative costs are projected to be $32,0000, the same level as the original FY 2027 original budget. The proposed budget includes $29,000 for facility rent and $3,000 for miscellaneous supplies.

Vehicle Lease costs are projected to be $29,000 in FY 2027, reflecting the leasing costs of four (4) inspection vehicles.

Overhead allocation charges are projected to remain at the original budget of $53,000. These costs represent a share of the overall MTS administrative costs (Finance, Human Resources (HR), Information Technology (IT), etc.) that are allocated to the various business divisions of MTS based on headcount.

Net Revenues less Expenses: Total operating expenses, including the overhead allocation, are projected to be $978,000 and total operating revenues are projected to be $907,000, resulting in a projected net operating deficit of $71,000 in FY 2027.

Contingency Reserves: The FHVA is a self-funded entity, meaning all expenses must be covered by FHVA revenues. If expenses exceed revenues, the deficit must be funded by the FHVA contingency reserve. Attachment C details the contingency reserves. The audited FY 2026 year-end contingency reserve balance was $893,000. The current FY 2027 amended budget forecast projects the usage of $10,000 from the contingency reserve in FY 2027, reflecting the projected $71,000 net operating deficit partially offset by a projected interest allocation of $60,000. This results in a projected contingency reserve balance of $883,000 at the end of FY 2027.

Five-Year Forecast: Attachment D includes a five-year projection of revenues, expenses, and the contingency reserve balance given high-level assumptions regarding revenue and expense growth. Within this five-year forecast projection, operating revenues grow by an average of 3.8% per year, reflecting an assumed increase of $30/$20 increase to the regulatory fee each year for NEM/Charters and Taxicab/Jitney/LSV/Sightseeing, respectively. In this forecast, permit volumes are assumed flat at 1,501 permits as assumed in FY 2027 forecast for the next five years. Processing and application fee revenue is also assumed flat at FY 2027 forecasted levels, leaving the regulatory fee increase the only variable driving revenue growth from FY 2028 through FY 2032. Operating expenses are projected to decrease -1.2% in FY 2028 due to projecting lower legal costs. After FY 2028, expenses are projected to grow by an average of 4.7%, primarily due to personnel costs, including wage growth and increases in healthcare costs.

Based on the high-level expense and revenue assumptions noted above, the FHVA is projected to have an operating deficit of $21,000 in FY 2028, $28,000 in FY 2029, $37,000 in FY 2030, $50,000 in FY 2031, and $65,000 in FY 2032. Operating deficits must be funded by the contingency reserve. In this projection, the contingency reserve would increase from $893,000 at the end of FY 2026 to $951,000 by the end of FY 2032. MTS will re-evaluate the regulatory fees on an annual basis to keep the FHVA fully funded and maintain adequate contingency reserves, while also trying to avoid large spikes in regulatory fees in the future.

FY 2026 Year End Results: Attachment E includes final FY 2026 year-end budget to actuals results in a consolidated format. Attachment F includes FY 2026 year-end budget to actuals in a detailed format. In FY 2026, operating revenues were favorable to budget by $43,000 (5.2%), primarily due to favorable application/processing fee revenue. Operating expenses were unfavorable by $4,000 (-0.4%). FY 2026 ended with a net operating deficit of $216,000, which was favorable to budget by $39,000 (15.3%). The net operating deficit was partially offset by an interest allocation of $65,000, which is the interest earned on the contingency reserve during the fiscal year. The remaining $151,000 was covered by the contingency reserve to fully fund the FHVA in FY 2026.

Proposed CY 2027 Fee Schedule

FHVA annually adopts a Fee Schedule to recover FHVA's expenses for the administration and enforcement of for-hire vehicle permit requirements. The following is the proposed CY 2027 Annual Regulatory Fee.

Permit Type	Proposed CY 2027 Annual Regulatory Fee
NEM/Charters	$520
Taxicab/Jitney/LSV/Sightseeing	$405

The final CY 2027 Fee Schedule will be posted on MTS's website and be emailed to all permit holders around the end of November. Permit holders will receive an email from geocivix.com with a direct link to the online permit portal and instructions on how to log in to submit the annual regulatory fees. The deadline for the annual regulatory fee is Friday, March 5, 2027.

The annual regulatory fee, described in Sections 2.1, and 2.2 of the Proposed CY 2027 Annual Regulatory Fee, may be waived for Taxicab Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle (WAV) permit(s) upon approval and in accordance with FHVA's Taxicab WAV Policy-Fee Waiver Guidelines, which is available for review on the MTS website.

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Attachments: A. Consolidated FY 2027 Budget Report
B. Detailed FY 2027 Budget Report
C. FHVA Reserve Analysis
D. Five-Year Reserve Forecast
E. Consolidated FY 2026 Final Budget Results
F. Detailed FY 2026 Final Budget Results
G. CY 27 Fee Schedule (Proposed)

SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
FOR HIRE VEHICLE (FHV) ADMINISTRATION (761)
OPERATING BUDGET - CONSOLIDATED
FISCAL YEAR 2027

	ACTUAL FY26	ORIGINAL BUDGET FY27	AMENDED FORECAST FY27	$ CHANGE AMENDED/ ORIGINAL	% CHANGE AMENDED/ ORIGINAL
OPERATING REVENUE					
PASSENGER REVENUE	-	-	-	-	-
ADVERTISING REVENUE	-	-	-	-	-
CONTRACT SERVICE REVENUE	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER INCOME	870,728	861,425	906,960	45,535	5.3%
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	**870,728**	**861,425**	**906,960**	**45,535**	**5.3%**
NON OPERATING REVENUE					
SUBSIDY REVENUE	-	-	-	-	-
RESERVE REVENUE	215,807	116,321	70,786	(45,535)	-39.1%
OTHER INCOME	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL NON OPERATING REVENUE	**215,807**	**116,321**	**70,786**	**(45,535)**	**-39.1%**
TOTAL COMBINED REVENUES	**1,086,535**	**977,746**	**977,746**	**-**	**0.0%**
OPERATING EXPENSES					
LABOR EXPENSES	441,437	493,465	493,465	-	0.0%
FRINGE EXPENSES	239,968	276,504	276,504	-	0.0%
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES	**681,404**	**769,969**	**769,969**	**-**	**0.0%**
SECURITY EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-
REPAIR/MAINTENANCE SERVICES	6,280	7,000	7,000	-	0.0%
ENGINE AND TRANSMISSION REBUILD	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER OUTSIDE SERVICES	253,006	67,000	67,000	-	0.0%
PURCHASED TRANSPORTATION	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OUTSIDE SERVICES	**259,286**	**74,000**	**74,000**	**-**	**0.0%**
LUBRICANTS	-	-	-	-	-
TIRES	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES	227	500	500	-	0.0%
TOTAL MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES	**227**	**500**	**500**	**-**	**0.0%**
DIESEL FUEL/GASOLINE	4,883	7,000	7,000	-	0.0%
CNG	-	-	-	-	-
TRACTION POWER	-	-	-	-	-
UTILITIES	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ENERGY	**4,883**	**7,000**	**7,000**	**-**	**0.0%**
RISK MANAGEMENT	**41,197**	**11,700**	**11,700**	**-**	**0.0%**
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE	**37,313**	**32,264**	**32,264**	**-**	**0.0%**
DEBT SERVICE	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
VEHICLE / FACILITY LEASE	**27,587**	**28,857**	**28,857**	**-**	**0.0%**
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	**1,051,898**	**924,290**	**924,290**	**-**	**0.0%**
NET OPERATING SUBSIDY	**(181,170)**	**(62,865)**	**(17,330)**	**45,535**	**72.4%**
OVERHEAD ALLOCATION	**(34,637)**	**(53,456)**	**(53,456)**	**-**	**0.0%**
ADJUSTED NET OPERATING SUBSIDY	**(215,807)**	**(116,321)**	**(70,786)**	**45,535**	**39.1%**
TOTAL REVENUES LESS TOTAL EXPENSES	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
FOR HIRE VEHICLE (FHV) ADMINISTRATION (761)
OPERATING BUDGET - DETAIL
FISCAL YEAR 2027

		ACTUAL FY26	ORIGINAL BUDGET FY27	AMENDED FORECAST FY27	$ CHANGE AMENDED/ ORIGINAL	$ CHANGE AMENDED/ ORIGINAL
OPERATING REVENUE						
OTHER INCOME						
425100	TAXI VEHICLE ANNUAL REGULATORY FEES	726,775	690,425	694,960	4,535	0.7%
425150	TAXI REGULATORY FEE ADJUSTMENT	2,925	-	-	-	-
425160	TAXI REGULATORY FEE WRITE-OFF	(84,280)	-	-	-	-
425200	TAXI PROCESSING FEES	193,163	144,000	185,000	41,000	28.5%
440200	CASH GAIN/LOSS	-	-	-	-	-
425900	OTHER INCOME	32,145	27,000	27,000	-	0.0%
	TOTAL OTHER INCOME	**870,728**	**861,425**	**906,960**	**45,535**	**5.3%**
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES		**870,728**	**861,425**	**906,960**	**45,535**	**5.3%**
NON OPERATING REVENUE						
491100	CONTINGENCY RESERVES	215,807	116,321	70,786	(45,535)	-39.1%
TOTAL NON OPERATING REVENUE		**215,807**	**116,321**	**70,786**	**(45,535)**	**-39.1%**
TOTAL COMBINED REVENUES		**1,086,535**	**977,746**	**977,746**	**-**	**-**
OPERATING EXPENSES						
LABOR EXPENSES						
502010	ADMINISTRATIVE WAGES REGULAR	441,437	478,977	478,977	-	0.0%
502020	ADMINISTRATIVE WAGES OVERTIME	-	14,488	14,488	-	0.0%
507010	TEMP HELP	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL LABOR EXPENSES	**441,437**	**493,465**	**493,465**	**-**	**0.0%**
FRINGE EXPENSES						
521100	FICA	36,736	37,215	37,215	-	0.0%
523100	HEALTH & WELFARE - MGMT	118,150	146,117	146,117	-	0.0%
523120	HEALTH & WELFARE - MGMT DEDUCTIONS	(23,035)	(22,948)	(22,948)	-	0.0%
523600	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	-	-	-	-	-
524200	VACATION - REGULAR CASH BASIS	51,319	52,367	52,367	-	0.0%
524220	VACATION PAYOFF	12,323	10,000	10,000	-	0.0%
524300	HOLIDAY	25,257	27,538	27,538	-	0.0%
524900	OTHER PAID ABSENCE	1,294	2,000	2,000	-	0.0%
525100	WORKERS COMP - DISABILITY PAYMENTS	-	-	-	-	-
525150	WORKERS COMP - MEDICAL PAYMENTS	-	-	-	-	-
525250	WORKERS COMP - APPLICANT LEGAL	-	-	-	-	-
525300	WORKER COMP - RECOVERIES	-	-	-	-	-
525500	WORKERS COMP - LEGAL FEES	-	-	-	-	-
525600	WORKERS COMP OUTSIDE SERVICES	-	-	-	-	-
526100	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	3,500	5,000	5,000	-	0.0%
526300	OTHER FRINGE BENEFITS	14,424	19,215	19,215	-	0.0%
	TOTAL FRINGE EXPENSES	**239,968**	**276,504**	**276,504**	**-**	**0.0%**
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES		**681,404**	**769,969**	**769,969**	**-**	**0.0%**
OUTSIDE SERVICES EXPENSES						
REPAIR/MAINTENANCE SERVICES						
536200	NON REV VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SERVICES	6,280	7,000	7,000	-	0.0%
536300	FACILITY MAINTENANCE REPAIR SVC	-	-	-	-	-
536500	EQUIP MAINTENANCE REPAIR SVC	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL REPAIR/MAINTENANCE SERVICES	**6,280**	**7,000**	**7,000**	**-**	**0.0%**
OTHER OUTSIDE SERVICES						
571110	GENERAL LEGAL EXPENSES	198,971	50,000	50,000	-	0.0%
571120	OTHER LEGAL SERVICES	40,302	-	-	-	-
571142	CONSTRUCTION SERVICES	-	-	-	-	-
571170	EMPLOYEE MAINTENANCE	856	-	-	-	-
571180	MANAGEMENT TRAINING	1,250	1,500	1,500	-	0.0%
571190	MAINTENANCE TRAINING	-	-	-	-	-
571200	OPERATOR TRAINING	-	-	-	-	-
571210	GENERAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS	-	-	-	-	-
571230	PUBLIC NOTICES	-	-	-	-	-
571240	OTHER PRINTING SERVICES	2,831	3,000	3,000	-	0.0%
571250	GENERAL OUTSIDE SERVICES	8,796	12,000	12,000	-	0.0%
571280	UNIFORM PURCHASES	-	500	500	-	0.0%
	TOTAL OTHER OUTSIDE SERVICES	**253,006**	**67,000**	**67,000**	**-**	**0.0%**
TOTAL OUTSIDE SERVICES		**259,286**	**74,000**	**74,000**	**-**	**0.0%**

Attachment B

SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
FOR HIRE VEHICLE (FHV) ADMINISTRATION (761)
OPERATING BUDGET - DETAIL
FISCAL YEAR 2027

		ACTUAL FY26	ORIGINAL BUDGET FY27	AMENDED FORECAST FY27	$ CHANGE AMENDED/ ORIGINAL	$ CHANGE AMENDED/ ORIGINAL
MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES						
OTHER MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES						
545300	MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES (NON REV VEHICLES)	-	-	-	-	-
545400	MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES (FACILITIES)	-	-	-	-	-
545500	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	-	-	-	-	-
545910	INVOICE DISCOUNT TAKEN	-	-	-	-	-
545700	SAFETY AND MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	227	500	500	-	0.0%
	TOTAL OTHER MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES	**227**	**500**	**500**	**-**	**0.0%**
TOTAL MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES		**227**	**500**	**500**	**-**	**0.0%**
ENERGY						
DIESEL FUEL						
541100	DIESEL FUEL	-	-	-	-	-
541200	GASOLINE	4,883	7,000	7,000	-	0.0%
541300	FUEL TAXES	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL DIESEL FUEL	**4,883**	**7,000**	**7,000**	**-**	**0.0%**
UTILITIES						
552100	FACILITY ELECTRIC	-	-	-	-	-
553100	GAS	-	-	-	-	-
554100	WATER	-	-	-	-	-
555100	TELEPHONE	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL UTILITIES	**-**	-	-	**-**	**-**
TOTAL ENERGY		**4,883**	**7,000**	**7,000**	**-**	**0.0%**
RISK MANAGEMENT						
561110	PAYOUT LIABILITY CLAIMS	30,000	-	-	-	-
564110	RISK LEGAL LIABILITY EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-
564120	RISK LEGAL OTHER EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-
562210	PREMIUM WORKMAN'S COMP EXCESS	11,197	11,700	11,700	-	0.0%
TOTAL RISK MANAGEMENT		**41,197**	**11,700**	**11,700**	**-**	**0.0%**
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE						
575120	RENT	29,064	29,064	29,064	-	0.0%
575130	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,656	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
575150	NON CAPITAL FURNITURE/OFFICE EQUIPMENT	1,184	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
575170	NON MAINTENANCE GENERAL SUPPLIES	-	100	100	-	0.0%
575180	LICENSES AND PERMITS	-	-	-	-	-
575220	DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS.	-	-	-	-	-
575230	TRAVEL AND MEETINGS	5,399	-	-	-	-
575270	POSTAGE	10	100	100	-	0.0%
579900	OTHER MISC.	-	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
TOTAL GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE		**37,313**	**32,264**	**32,264**	**-**	**0.0%**
VEHICLE / FACILITY LEASE						
596150	NON REVENUE VEHICLE LEASE COSTS	27,587	28,857	28,857	-	0.0%
TOTAL VEHICLE / FACILITY LEASE		**27,587**	**28,857**	**28,857**	**-**	**0.0%**
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		**1,051,898**	**924,290**	**924,290**	**-**	**0.0%**
NET OPERATING SUBSIDY		**(181,170)**	**(62,865)**	**(17,330)**	**45,535**	**-72.4%**
OVERHEAD ALLOCATION						
597151	OVERHEAD ALLOCATION	(34,637)	(53,456)	(53,456)	-	0.0%
TOTAL OVERHEAD ALLOCATION		**(34,637)**	**(53,456)**	**(53,456)**	**-**	**0.0%**
ADJUSTED NET OPERATING SUBSIDY		**(215,807)**	**(116,321)**	**(70,786)**	**45,535**	**-39.1%**
TOTAL REVENUES LESS TOTAL EXPENSES		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
FOR HIRE VEHICLE (FHV) ADMINISTRATION
RESERVES ANALYSIS

Fiscal Year 2024 (Audited)	
Contributions / (Usage)	151,649
Interest Allocation	66,380
Contingency Balance - FY 2024 (Audited)	**1,000,686**
Fiscal Year 2025 (Audited)	
Contributions / (Usage)	(24,369)
Interest Allocation	67,783
Contingency Balance - FY 2025 (Audited)	**1,044,100**
Fiscal Year 2026 (Audited)	
Contributions / (Usage)	(215,807)
Interest Allocation	65,180
Contingency Balance - FY 2026 (Audited)	**893,474**

SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
FHV ADMINISTRATION
FIVE-YEAR FORECAST

	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
Operating Revenues	$ 870,728	$ 906,960	$ 944,550	$ 982,140	$ 1,019,730	$ 1,057,320	$ 1,094,910
Operating Expenses*	1,086,535	977,746	965,558	1,009,892	1,056,946	1,106,925	1,160,052
Net Operating Income (Loss)	**$ (215,807)**	**$ (70,786)**	**$ (21,008)**	**$ (27,752)**	**$ (37,216)**	**$ (49,605)**	**$ (65,142)**
Contingency Reserve - Begining Balance	**$ 1,044,100**	**$ 893,474**	**$ 883,110**	**$ 921,199**	**$ 950,609**	**$ 967,936**	**$ 969,513**
Contributions/Usage from Operating Activities	$ (215,807)	$ (70,786)	$ (21,008)	$ (27,752)	$ (37,216)	$ (49,605)	$ (65,142)
Interest Allocation	$ 65,180	$ 60,423	$ 59,097	$ 57,162	$ 54,543	$ 51,182	$ 47,043
Contingency Reserve - Ending Balance	**$ 893,474**	**$ 883,110**	**$ 921,199**	**$ 950,609**	**$ 967,936**	**$ 969,513**	**$ 951,414**
Contingency Reserve % of Op. Expenses	**82.2%**	**90.3%**	**95.4%**	**94.1%**	**91.6%**	**87.6%**	**82.0%**
NEM Charter Reg Fee	**$ 490**	**$ 520**	**$ 550**	**$ 580**	**$ 610**	**$ 640**	**$ 670**
Taxi/Other Reg Fee	**$ 385**	**$ 405**	**$ 425**	**$ 445**	**$ 465**	**$ 485**	**$ 505**
Regulatory Fee Change		**$ 30**	**$ 30**	**$ 30**	**$ 30**	**$ 30**	**$ 30**
		$ 20	**$ 20**	**$ 20**	**$ 20**	**$ 20**	**$ 20**

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FOR HIRE VEHICLE (FHV) ADMINISTRATION (761)
BUDGET TO ACTUALS - CONSOLIDATED
FISCAL YEAR 2026

	ACTUAL FY26	AMENDED BUDGET FY26	VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
OPERATING REVENUE				
PASSENGER REVENUE	-	-	-	-
ADVERTISING REVENUE	-	-	-	-
CONTRACT SERVICE REVENUE	-	-	-	-
OTHER INCOME	870,728	827,345	43,383	5.2%
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	**870,728**	**827,345**	**43,383**	**5.2%**
NON OPERATING REVENUE				
SUBSIDY REVENUE	-	-	-	-
RESERVE REVENUE	215,807	254,800	(38,994)	-15.3%
OTHER INCOME	-	-	-	-
TOTAL NON OPERATING REVENUE	**215,807**	**254,800**	**(38,994)**	**-15.3%**
TOTAL COMBINED REVENUES	**1,086,535**	**1,082,146**	**4,389**	**0.4%**
OPERATING EXPENSES				
LABOR EXPENSES	441,437	460,000	18,563	4.0%
FRINGE EXPENSES	239,968	242,149	2,181	0.9%
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES	**681,404**	**702,149**	**20,745**	**3.0%**
SECURITY EXPENSES	-	-	-	-
REPAIR/MAINTENANCE SERVICES	6,280	7,000	720	10.3%
ENGINE AND TRANSMISSION REBUILD	-	-	-	-
OTHER OUTSIDE SERVICES	253,006	222,998	(30,009)	-13.5%
PURCHASED TRANSPORTATION	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OUTSIDE SERVICES	**259,286**	**229,997**	**(29,289)**	**-12.7%**
LUBRICANTS	-	-	-	-
TIRES	-	-	-	-
OTHER MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES	227	500	273	54.6%
TOTAL MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES	**227**	**500**	**273**	**54.6%**
DIESEL FUEL/GASOLINE	4,883	7,000	2,117	30.2%
CNG	-	-	-	-
TRACTION POWER	-	-	-	-
UTILITIES	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ENERGY	**4,883**	**7,000**	**2,117**	**30.2%**
RISK MANAGEMENT	**41,197**	**41,200**	**3**	**0.0%**
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE	**37,313**	**38,663**	**1,350**	**3.5%**
DEBT SERVICE	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
VEHICLE / FACILITY LEASE	**27,587**	**28,000**	**413**	**1.5%**
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	**1,051,898**	**1,047,509**	**(4,389)**	**-0.4%**
NET OPERATING SUBSIDY	**(181,170)**	**(220,164)**	**38,994**	**17.7%**
OVERHEAD ALLOCATION	**(34,637)**	**(34,637)**	**0**	**0.0%**
ADJUSTED NET OPERATING SUBSIDY	**(215,807)**	**(254,800)**	**38,994**	**15.3%**
TOTAL REVENUES LESS TOTAL EXPENSES	**-**	**-**	**-**	

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FISCAL YEAR 2026

		ACTUAL FY26	AMENDED BUDGET FY26	VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
OPERATING REVENUE					
OTHER INCOME					
425100	TAXI VEHICLE ANNUAL REGULATORY FEES	726,775	646,345	80,430	12.4%
425150	TAXI REGULATORY FEE ADJUSTMENT	2,925	-	2,925	-
425160	TAXI REGULATORY FEE WRITE-OFF	(84,280)	-	(84,280)	-
425200	TAXI PROCESSING FEES	193,163	154,000	39,163	25.4%
440200	CASH GAIN/LOSS	-	-	-	-
425900	OTHER INCOME	32,145	27,000	5,145	19.1%
	TOTAL OTHER INCOME	**870,728**	**827,345**	**43,383**	**5.2%**
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES		**870,728**	**827,345**	**43,383**	**5.2%**
NON OPERATING REVENUE					
491100	CONTINGENCY RESERVES	215,807	254,800	(38,994)	-15.3%
TOTAL NON OPERATING REVENUE		**215,807**	**254,800**	**(38,994)**	**-15.3%**
TOTAL COMBINED REVENUES		**1,086,535**	**1,082,146**	**4,389**	**0.4%**
OPERATING EXPENSES					
LABOR EXPENSES					
502010	ADMINISTRATIVE WAGES REGULAR	441,437	460,000	18,563	4.0%
502020	ADMINISTRATIVE WAGES OVERTIME	-	-	-	-
507010	TEMP HELP	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL LABOR EXPENSES	**441,437**	**460,000**	**18,563**	**4.0%**
FRINGE EXPENSES					
521100	FICA	36,736	35,000	(1,736)	-5.0%
523100	HEALTH & WELFARE - MGMT	118,150	118,150	-	0.0%
523120	HEALTH & WELFARE - MGMT DEDUCTIONS	(23,035)	(23,000)	35	-0.2%
523600	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	-	-	-	-
524200	VACATION - REGULAR CASH BASIS	51,319	55,000	3,681	6.7%
524220	VACATION PAYOFF	12,323	5,000	(7,323)	-146.5%
524300	HOLIDAY	25,257	25,000	(258)	-1.0%
524900	OTHER PAID ABSENCE	1,294	2,000	706	35.3%
525100	WORKERS COMP - DISABILITY PAYMENTS	-	-	-	-
525150	WORKERS COMP - MEDICAL PAYMENTS	-	-	-	-
525250	WORKERS COMP - APPLICANT LEGAL	-	-	-	-
525300	WORKER COMP - RECOVERIES	-	-	-	-
525500	WORKERS COMP - LEGAL FEES	-	-	-	-
525600	WORKERS COMP OUTSIDE SERVICES	-	-	-	-
526100	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	3,500	5,000	1,500	30.0%
526300	OTHER FRINGE BENEFITS	14,424	20,000	5,576	27.9%
	TOTAL FRINGE EXPENSES	**239,968**	**242,149**	**2,181**	**0.9%**
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES		**681,404**	**702,149**	**20,745**	**3.0%**
OUTSIDE SERVICES EXPENSES					
REPAIR/MAINTENANCE SERVICES					
536200	NON REV VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SERVICES	6,280	7,000	720	10.3%
536300	FACILITY MAINTENANCE REPAIR SVC	-	-	-	-
536500	EQUIP MAINTENANCE REPAIR SVC	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL REPAIR/MAINTENANCE SERVICES	**6,280**	**7,000**	**720**	**10.3%**
OTHER OUTSIDE SERVICES					
571110	GENERAL LEGAL EXPENSES	198,971	150,000	(48,972)	-32.6%
571120	OTHER LEGAL EXPENSES	40,302	45,000	4,697	10.4%
571142	CONSTRUCTION SERVICES	-	-	-	-
571170	EMPLOYEE MAINTENANCE	856	-	(856)	-
571180	MANAGEMENT TRAINING	1,250	1,500	250	16.6%
571190	MAINTENANCE TRAINING	-	-	-	-
571200	OPERATOR TRAINING	-	-	-	-
571210	GENERAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS	-	-	-	-
571230	PUBLIC NOTICES	-	-	-	-
571240	OTHER PRINTING SERVICES	2,831	3,000	169	5.6%
571250	GENERAL OUTSIDE SERVICES	8,796	23,000	14,204	61.8%
571280	UNIFORM PURCHASES	-	500	500	100.0%
	TOTAL OTHER OUTSIDE SERVICES	**253,006**	**222,998**	**(30,009)**	**-13.5%**
TOTAL OUTSIDE SERVICES		**259,286**	**229,997**	**(29,289)**	**-12.7%**

SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
FOR HIRE VEHICLE (FHV) ADMINISTRATION (761)
BUDGET TO ACTUALS - DETAIL
FISCAL YEAR 2026

		ACTUAL FY26	AMENDED BUDGET FY26	VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES					
OTHER MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES					
545300	MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES (NON REV VEHICLES)	-	-	-	-
545400	MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES (FACILITIES)	-	-	-	-
545500	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	-	-	-	-
545910	INVOICE DISCOUNT TAKEN	-	-	-	-
545700	SAFETY AND MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	227	500	273	54.6%
	TOTAL OTHER MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES	**227**	**500**	**273**	**54.6%**
TOTAL MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES		**227**	**500**	**273**	**54.6%**
ENERGY					
DIESEL FUEL					
541100	DIESEL FUEL	-	-	-	-
541200	GASOLINE	4,883	7,000	2,117	30.2%
541300	FUEL TAXES	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL DIESEL FUEL	**4,883**	**7,000**	**2,117**	**30.2%**
UTILITIES					
552100	FACILITY ELECTRIC	-	-	-	-
553100	GAS	-	-	-	-
554100	WATER	-	-	-	-
555100	TELEPHONE	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL UTILITIES	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
TOTAL ENERGY		**4,883**	**7,000**	**2,117**	**30.2%**
RISK MANAGEMENT					
561110	PAYOUT LIABILITY CLAIMS	30,000	30,000	-	0.0%
564110	RISK LEGAL LIABILITY EXPENSES	-	-	-	-
564120	RISK LEGAL OTHER EXPENSES	-	-	-	-
562210	PREMIUM WORKMAN'S COMP EXCESS	11,197	11,200	3	0.0%
TOTAL RISK MANAGEMENT		**41,197**	**41,200**	**3**	**0.0%**
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE					
575120	RENT	29,064	29,064	-	0.0%
575130	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,656	1,000	(656)	-65.6%
575150	NON CAPITAL FURNITURE/OFFICE EQUIPMENT	1,184	1,000	(185)	-18.5%
575170	NON MAINTENANCE GENERAL SUPPLIES	-	100	100	100.0%
575180	LICENSES AND PERMITS	-	-	-	-
575220	DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS.	-	-	-	-
575230	TRAVEL AND MEETINGS	5,399	6,400	1,001	15.6%
575270	POSTAGE	10	100	90	90.1%
579900	OTHER MISC.	-	1,000	1,000	100.0%
TOTAL GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE		**37,313**	**38,663**	**1,350**	**3.5%**
VEHICLE / FACILITY LEASE					
596150	NON REVENUE VEHICLE LEASE COSTS	27,587	28,000	413	1.5%
TOTAL VEHICLE / FACILITY LEASE		**27,587**	**28,000**	**413**	**1.5%**
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		**1,051,898**	**1,047,509**	**(4,389)**	**-0.4%**
NET OPERATING SUBSIDY		**(181,170)**	**(220,164)**	**38,994**	**-17.7%**
OVERHEAD ALLOCATION					
597151	OVERHEAD ALLOCATION	(34,637)	(34,637)	0	0.0%
TOTAL OVERHEAD ALLOCATION		**(34,637)**	**(34,637)**	**0**	**0.0%**
ADJUSTED NET OPERATING SUBSIDY		**(215,807)**	**(254,800)**	**38,994**	**-15.3%**
TOTAL REVENUES LESS TOTAL EXPENSES		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

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SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM (MTS)
FOR-HIRE VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION
2027 FEE SCHEDULE

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1. **Annual Regulatory Fee per Vehicle** (If not paid or post-marked by close of business, Friday, March 5, 2027, the permit(s) is not renewed).

1.1	Non-Emergency Medical / Charter	$ 520
1.2	Taxicab / Jitney / Low-Speed Vehicle / Sightseeing	$ 405
1.2.1	Annual Regulatory Fee may be waived for Taxicab Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle (WAV) permit(s) upon approval and in accordance with Taxicab WAV Policy – Fee Waiver Guidelines	
1.3	Permit Renewal Late Fee (if missed the Deadline, the Annual Regulatory Fee and Permit Renewal Late Fee will be accepted, so long as received by close of business on April 2, 2027)	$ 75

2. **Permit Application**

2.1	Permit application (New Company)	$ 930
2.1.1	Plus each permit in excess of one (1)	$ 105
2.1.2	Prorated Regulatory Fee (Section 1.0; based on application approval date)	
2.1.3	Fees described in Section 2.1 may be waived for Taxicab WAV permit(s) upon approval and in accordance with Taxicab WAV Policy – Fee Waiver Guidelines	
2.2	Permit application (Add Vehicle to Existing Company)	
2.2.1	Adding new permitted vehicle to existing company	$ 105
2.2.2	Prorated Regulatory Fee (Section 1.0; based on application approval date)	
2.2.3	Fees described in Section 2.2 may be waived for Taxicab WAV permit(s) upon approval and in accordance with Taxicab WAV Policy – Fee Waiver Guidelines	

3.	**Driver Training Class**		
	3.1	Class Fee	$ 50
4.	**Operational Requests**		
	4.1	Jitney route – new, change or additional route request	$ 150
	4.2	Jitney zone, if installed	$ 95
	4.3	Corporation / LLC name change (same officers)	$ 85
	4.4	Fictitious name / Doing Business As (DBA) change	$ 65
		4.4.1 Plus per-vehicle fee	$ 35
	4.5	Dispatch Service Change (unless as part of the in-person annual renewal process)	$ 65
		4.5.1 Plus per-vehicle fee	$ 35
	4.6	Add corporation officer / LLC member (each)	$ 70
5.	**Vehicle Inspection** (Non-Mechanical Items)		
	5.1	As a result of failing scheduled inspection	$ 55
	5.2	Re-schedule inspection with less than 24-hour notice	$ 55
	5.3	Failure to appear for inspection appointment	$ 55
	5.4	Supplemental scheduled inspection (Out of Service)	$ 95
	5.5	Re-inspection pursuant to a 72-hour notice	$ 95
	5.6	Failure to produce mechanical inspection by due date	$ 75
	5.7	MTS Regulated Vehicle reflective decals each(replacement only)	$ 20
6.	**Dispatch Services**		
	6.1	Initial review of new dispatch service organization	$ 205
7.	**Permit Type Reassignment (same permit holder)**		
	7.1	Permit Type Reassignment under same Permit Holder (per vehicle)	$ 225
		7.1.1 Annual Regulatory Fee (See Section 1.0; paid upon filing of permit reassignment application)	

PAYMENT

- The 2027 regulatory fee is due for each permit held as of January 1, 2027, irrespective of whether permit is later surrendered, abandoned, or revoked. The permit is considered not renewed if fee is not paid or post-marked by close of business on March 5, 2027, or by April 2, 2027 if no Permit Renewal Late Fee is received.

- For new permits issued after January 1, 2027, prorated regulatory fee is due when permit is issued.

- Other fees (i.e. non-Annual Regulatory Fee) are due when the request is made.

- A $45 “Returned Payment Fee” applies when a payment is submitted with a personal check but there are insufficient funds to cover the payment amount.

- No refunds will be issued.

REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO FEE SCHEDULE

- Fees have been established to affect the full cost recovery of activities associated with for-hire vehicle regulation, in accordance with California Public Utilities Code Section 120266, MTS Ordinance No. 11, Section 1.5 (c), and MTS Board Policy No. 34, Section 34.4.1.

- Fee Schedule will be posted on MTS’s Website and be emailed to all Permit Holders. The Fee Schedule will go into effect 30 calendar days thereafter, in accordance with MTS Ordinance No. 11, Section 1.5 (c).

REFERENCES

- California Public Utilities Code Section 120266; MTS Ordinance No. 11; and MTS Board Policy No. 34; and Taxicab WAV Policy Goal and Fee Waiver Guidelines.

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Sharon Cooney, Chief Executive Officer Date

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Item No. 4, 11/18/2026

FY 2027 Amended Budget Forecast and CY 2027 Fee Schedule

Taxicab Advisory Committee

FHVA Budget Overview

- Per MTS's enabling legislation, FHVA is required to be a self-funded entity (i.e. full cost-recovery).
- Budget compromises of:
  - Expense – Largest cost is salaries and associated benefits (currently 7 staff); outside services
  - Revenue – annual regulatory, permit application fees and other fees *(regulatory fee revenue not known until 9 months into each budget year)*
  - Contingency Reserve – used when operating deficit; added to when revenues exceed expenses; when unexpected costs /unexpected drops in revenue; save for capital projects; and/or otherwise mitigate financial risks that could impact operations and administration

FHVA Budgeting Goals

- Aim to avoid steep increases to annual fees
  - Helps permit holders to plan for operational costs; sudden increases may make it infeasible to continue business for some permit holders
- Aim to maintain current operation levels so can continue ensuring public safety and preventing unfair consumer practices
  - FHVA aims to avoid sudden staff reductions; termination of expense contracts; reducing enforcement activities etc.
  - To maintain current operation levels, also requires recognition that every year, our expenses are increasing
- Aim to be financially able to make improvements to operations and administrative activities when appropriate
- Aim to have flexibility and ability to respond to unexpected permit drops, unexpected costs or other factors

Ad Hoc Finance Working Group

- Representatives from Non-Emergency Medical (NEM), Charter, Taxicabs, and For-Hire Vehicle Regulatory Agencies
- Meeting provided information on:
  - Budgeting goals
  - FHVA budget processes and annual analysis
  - Purpose of Ad-Hoc Finance Working Group
  - Factors impacting revenue, expenses and contingency reserves
  - 5-year forecasts, showing multiple years of operating deficits
  - Proposed FY27 Amended Budget Forecast and CY27 Fee Schedule

Feedback Received

- Majority of For-Hire Vehicle Regulators have access to a city's general funds or subsidies
- Support for FHVA Budgeting Goals and annual budgeting processes
- Support for continuing Ad-Hoc Finance Working Group to provide transparency and opportunity for feedback before fees are set
- Support for FHVA's adoption of new online permitting software to increase administrative efficiencies
- Support for staff's proposed regulatory fee increase
- Recognized multiple years of operating deficit not sustainable and may need larger fee increases to avoid pulling from contingency reserve
  - Some supported an even higher regulatory fee increase than staff's proposal

Response to Feedback

- Maintain the FHVA Ad-Hoc Finance Working Group
- Maintain current annual budget analysis process.
  - Continue to review multiple factors annually, without establishing reserve target which can be too rigid and may not meet goals (e.g. avoid steep spikes in reg. fee when possible). However, will review guardrails each year for what are sufficient contingency reserve levels.
    - For FY 27, an informal guardrail range of 50% to 150% of operating expenses within the contingency reserve may be appropriate reference point to consider.
- Maintain staff's current proposal for CY 27 Regulatory Fee

Proposed CY 27 Regulatory Fee

- Proposing for CY 27 the following Annual Regulatory Fee:
  - NEM/Charter: Previous ($490) / Revised ($520)
    - Increased - % change (6.1%)
  - Taxi/Jitney/LSV: Previous ($385) / Revised ($405)
    - Increased - % change (5.2%)
      - *Last several years, able to keep reg. fee low. Was $600 in CY15-20; $700 in CY21.*
- For CY 27, can sustain modest $30/$20 increase based on budget analysis, goals and continency reserve level
  - Modest increases now will assist in reducing need for larger fee increase / spike in future.
  - Operating deficits for FY26 and FY27. Future operating deficits are projected, which is not sustainable. May require fee increases in future.

Operating Revenue

	FY26 ACTUAL	FY27 ORIGINAL	FY27 AMENDED	$ VARIANCE	% VARIANCE
Annual Regulatory Fees	$ 645,420	$ 690,425	$ 694,960	$ 4,535	0.7%
Processing/Other Fees	225,308	171,000	212,000	41,000	24.0%
Total Operating Revenue	**$ 870,728**	**$ 861,425**	**$ 906,960**	**$ 45,535**	**5.3%**

- Annual Regulatory Fee
  - FY27 original budget assumed 1,498 permits in total
    - 663 NEM/Charter permits at $525 ($35 increase)
    - 838 Taxi/Other permits at $410 ($25 increase)
  - FY27 amended forecast assumes 1,501 permits
    - 757 NEM/Charter permits at $520 ($30 increase)
    - 744 Taxi/Other permits at $405 ($20 increase)
- Processing/Other Fees
  - Increasing forecast for application/processing fees by $41K based on recent experience

Operating Expenses

	FY26 ACTUAL	FY27 ORIGINAL	FY27 AMENDED	$ VARIANCE	% VARIANCE
Personnel Costs	$ 681,404	$ 769,969	$ 769,969	$ -	0.0%
Outside Services	259,286	74,000	74,000	-	0.0%
Materials & Supplies	227	500	500	-	0.0%
Energy	4,883	7,000	7,000	-	0.0%
Risk	41,197	11,700	11,700	-	0.0%
General & Administration	64,900	61,121	61,121	-	0.0%
Overhead Allocation	34,637	53,456	53,456	-	0.0%
Total Costs	**$ 1,086,535**	**$ 977,746**	**$ 977,746**	**$ -**	**0.0%**

- Personnel Costs – majority of spending, includes 7 FTEs
- Outside Services – includes vehicle maintenance, printing, RCS radio fees, $50K budget for legal, and software costs
- Risk – includes special liability insurance premium for FHV admin
- Energy – gasoline for non-revenue vehicles
- G&A – includes building rent and NRV lease costs
- Overhead Allocation – allocation of MTS administrative expenses (IT, Finance, Payroll, HR, etc.)
  - Less than ½ of a percent of overall admin expenses are allocated to FHV Admin (based on headcount)

Net Operating Income

	FY26 ACTUAL	FY27 ORIGINAL	FY27 AMENDED	$ VARIANCE	% VARIANCE
Total Operating Revenue	$ 870,728	$ 861,425	$ 906,960	$ 45,535	$ 0
Total Operating Costs	1,086,535	977,746	977,746	-	0.0%
Net Operating Income	**$ (215,806)**	**$ (116,321)**	**$ (70,786)**	**$ 45,535**	**-39.1%**
Contingency Reserves	(215,806)	(116,321)	(70,786)	45,535	-39.1%
Revenues Less Expenses	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	

- FHV Administration is self-funded and must fund operating deficits with contingency reserves
- Net operating deficit of $216K in FY26 due to high legal costs
- FY27 original budget assumed $116K net operating deficit
  - Reducing to $71K in amended forecast based on higher revenue projections

Reserves

Fiscal Year 2024 (Audited)	
Contributions / (Usage)	151,649
Interest Allocation	66,380
Contingency Balance - FY 2024 (Audited)	**1,000,686**
Fiscal Year 2025 (Audited)	
Contributions / (Usage)	(24,369)
Interest Allocation	67,783
Contingency Balance - FY 2025 (Audited)	**1,044,100**
Fiscal Year 2026 (Audited)	
Contributions / (Usage)	(215,807)
Interest Allocation	65,180
Contingency Balance - FY 2026 (Audited)	**893,474**
Fiscal Year 2027 (Projected)	
Contributions / (Usage)	(70,786)
Interest Allocation	60,423
Contingency Balance - FY 2026 (Projected)	**883,110**

5-Year Forecast

	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
Operating Revenues	$ 870,728	$ 906,960	$ 944,550	$ 982,140	$ 1,019,730	$ 1,057,320	$ 1,094,910
Operating Expenses*	1,086,535	977,746	965,558	1,009,892	1,056,946	1,106,925	1,160,052
Net Operating Income (Loss)	**$ (215,807)**	**$ (70,786)**	**$ (21,008)**	**$ (27,752)**	**$ (37,216)**	**$ (49,605)**	**$ (65,142)**
Contingency Reserve - Begining Balance	**$ 1,044,100**	**$ 893,474**	**$ 883,110**	**$ 921,199**	**$ 950,609**	**$ 967,936**	**$ 969,513**
Contributions/Usage from Operating Activities	$ (215,807)	$ (70,786)	$ (21,008)	$ (27,752)	$ (37,216)	$ (49,605)	$ (65,142)
Interest Allocation	$ 65,180	$ 60,423	$ 59,097	$ 57,162	$ 54,543	$ 51,182	$ 47,043
Contingency Reserve - Ending Balance	**$ 893,474**	**$ 883,110**	**$ 921,199**	**$ 950,609**	**$ 967,936**	**$ 969,513**	**$ 951,414**
Contingency Reserve % of Op. Expenses	**82.2%**	**90.3%**	**95.4%**	**94.1%**	**91.6%**	**87.6%**	**82.0%**
NEM Charter Reg Fee	**$ 490**	**$ 520**	**$ 550**	**$ 580**	**$ 610**	**$ 640**	**$ 670**
Taxi/Other Reg Fee	**$ 385**	**$ 405**	**$ 425**	**$ 445**	**$ 465**	**$ 485**	**$ 505**
Regulatory Fee Change		**$ 30**	**$ 30**	**$ 30**	**$ 30**	**$ 30**	**$ 30**
		$ 20	**$ 20**	**$ 20**	**$ 20**	**$ 20**	**$ 20**

- Outyear assumptions:
  - Operating revenues increase at average of 3.8% per year (regulatory fee increases $30/$20 per year in this forecast)
  - Expenses decrease -1.2%% in FY28 and then grow by average of 4.7% per year after
    - Legal costs assumed to return to zero in FY28 (historically zero and last few years were outliers)
  - Reserve as percentage of operating budget expected to decrease over time in this projection

Proposed CY 27 Fee Schedule

- Calculated by the estimated, average time it takes for FHVA staff to complete each task, and the associated fully burdened salary rate

Fee Description	Previous CY 26 Fee	Proposed CY 27 Fee
Annual Regulatory Fee (Per Vehicle):		
NEMT, Charter	$490	$520 (Increased)
Taxi, Jitney, LSV, Sightseeing	$385	$405 (Increased)
Taxicab Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle (WAV) Fee Waiver	Fee Waived	Continuing with No Change
Permit Renewal Late Fee (per Permit Holder)	$65	$75 (Increased)

Proposed CY 27 Fee Schedule

Fee Description	Previous CY 26 Fee	Proposed CY 27 Fee
Permit Application:		
• **New Company**	$915	$930 (Increase)
• Plus, Each Permit in Excess of One (1)	$90	$105 (Increase)
• **Add Vehicle to Existing Company**	$90	$105 (Increase)
• Taxicab WAV Fee Waiver	Fee Waived	Continuing with No Change
Driver Training Class:	$40	$50 (Increased)

Proposed CY 27 Fee Schedule

Fee Description	Previous CY 26 Fee	Proposed CY 27 Fee
Operational Requests:		
• Jitney Route - New, Change, or Additional Route	$130	$150 (Increase)
• Jitney Zone if Installed	$80	$95 (Increase)
• Corporation/LLC Name Change (Same Officers)	$75	$85 (Increase)
• **Fictitious Name / Doing Business as (DBA) Change**	$55	$65 (Increase)
• Plus Per-Vehicle Fee	$25	$35 (Increase)

Proposed CY 27 Fee Schedule

Fee Description	Previous CY 26 Fee	Proposed CY 27 Fee
Operational Requests - Continued:		
• **Dispatch Service Change**	$55	$65 (Increased)
• Plus Per-Vehicle Fee	$25	$35 (Increased)
• Add Corporation Officer/ LLC Member (Each)	$75	$70 (Decreased)

Proposed CY 27 Fee Schedule

Fee Description	Previous CY 26 Fee	Proposed CY 27 Fee
Vehicle Inspection (Non-Mechanical Items) - Continued:		
• Failing Scheduled Inspection	$45	$55 (Increased)
• Re-Scheduling Inspection with Less than a 24-Hour Notice	$45	$55 (Increased)
• Failure to Appear for an Inspection Appointment	$45	$55 (Increased)
• Supplemental Scheduled Inspection	$75	$95 (Increased)
• Re-Inspection Pursuant to a 72-Hour Notice	$75	$95 (Increased)
• Failure to Produce Mechanical Inspection by Due Date	$60	$75 (Increased)

Proposed CY 27 Fee Schedule

Fee Description	Previous CY 26 Fee	Proposed CY 27 Fee
Vehicle Inspection (Non-Mechanical Items) - Continued:		
• MTS Regulated Vehicle Reflective Decals Each • Replacement Only – (Previously Sold Separately) Now Included as part of Permit Application Fee	$15	$20 (Increased)
Dispatch Services:		
• Review of New Dispatch Service Organization	$180	$205 (Increased)
Permit Re-Assignment: • (Same Permit Holder Per-Vehicle)	$195	$225 (Increased)
Returned Payment Check Fee	$40	$45 (Increased)

Next Steps

- After TAC Meeting, will review feedback
- CEO will adopt final CY 2027 Fee Schedule
  - Will be posted on the FHVA website and email will be sent to all permit holders (likely end of November)
    - Permit holders will receive an email from geocivix.com with a direct link to the online permit portal and instructions on how to log in to submit the annual regulatory fees.
- Deadline for Annual Regulatory Fee Payment:
  - Friday, March 5, 2027, at close of business
    - Can pay a per permit holder late fee in addition to regulatory fee up to 4/2/2027

Questions/Comments

Metropolitan Transit System

Agenda Item No. 5

MEETING OF THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

November 18, 2026

SUBJECT:

Autonomous Vehicle Passenger Service Update (Rosa Olascoaga-Vidal, City of San Diego, Office of Council Member Sean Elo-Rivera)

INFORMATIONAL ONLY:

Budget Impact

None with this item.

DISCUSSION:

Autonomous vehicle passenger service are self-driving vehicles that transport passengers for-hire without a human driver. Autonomous vehicle passenger service is currently regulated in part by California Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). Because the CPUC regulates autonomous For-Hire Vehicles (FHV), similar to its regulation of Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) like Uber and Lyft, they are not regulated by MTS.

Staff from the Office of Council Member Sean Elo-Rivera will provide an update on the City of San Diego's work to address the entry of autonomous vehicle passenger service in San Diego.

/s/ Leonardo Fewell
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Council District Nine

Autonomous Vehicles Passenger Service Update

MTS Taxicab Advisory Committee
Item #5
November 18, 2026

The City of SAN DIEGO

Impacts of Autonomous For-Hire Vehicles in San Diego

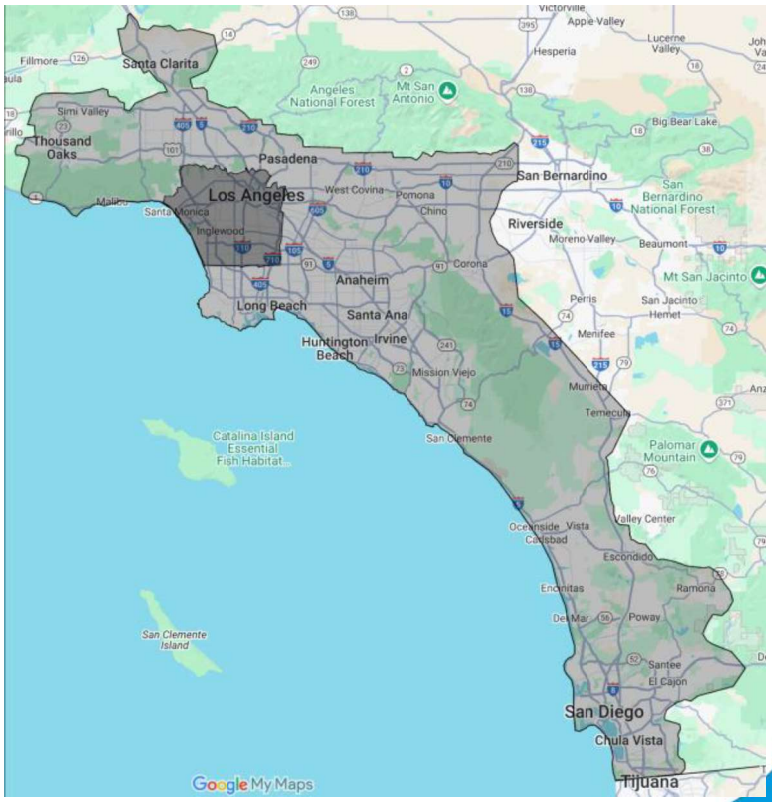
- Mass Job Displacement
- Threat to Livelihoods
- Lack of Local Control
- Traffic & Public Transportation Disruptions
- Public Safety Risks

Background

- Autonomous for-hire vehicles are self-driving vehicles that transport passengers without a human driver.
- Autonomous for-hire vehicles are regulated in part by California Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).
- On November 2025 and January 2026, the Metropolitan Transit System Board of Directors and Taxicab Advisory Committee voted to submit a formal protest letter to CPUC regarding Waymo's Phase 1 Driverless Autonomous Vehicle and Deployment program.

CPUC Advice Letter

- Waymo submitted a CPUC Advice Letter in January 2026.
- This process only had a 21-day public comment window.
- 29 letters supporting approval of Waymo Advice Letter and only two protests were submitted by MTS and the San Diego MTS Taxi Advisory Committee.
- Your voice made an impact!



CPUC Advice Letter Status:

- On August 14th, 2026, CPUC permitted Waymo to launch public commercial rides in San Diego.
- Since then, other companies have received permits to begin testing and mapping San Diego roads for for-hire autonomous rides.
- Current Testing and Mapping Operations in San Diego:
  - Zoox
  - Nuro
  - Tesla (spotted)

City of San Diego Actions:

- On September 17, 2026, City Council Unanimously approved Adopt Resolution 2027-49.
- Updated Legislative Platform urging local control and local input for AV permitting.
- Directed to Work With the Mayor's Office, San Diego Fire And Police Departments to Explore the Development of a City Process For Tracking and Monitoring AV Violations and Additional Impacts of Public Safety.

City Council Resolution Actions:

- Support state and federal legislative actions to address impacts on employment and labor.
  - H.R. 10033, The AV Emergency Response Coordination Act (Mullin)
- Request City staff, AV operators, and state/local enforcement to comply with AB 1777 regulations
- Urge the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority to prohibit autonomous vehicle operations at the San Diego International Airport.
- Calls on AV operators to follow local ordinances and noise/nuisance laws.

CPUC Hearing

- City of San Diego is now registered as a party for CPUC hearings.
- On October 29, 2026, the CPUC held a voting meeting which included consent item 8: Autonomous Vehicle Transport Policies, Processes, and Rules.
- The proposed item set forth AV policies and among them was the allowance for AV deployment at airports after operators notice via email, without additional oversight or review.
- The item was pulled from the agenda to be heard at the subsequent voting meeting by Commissioner Baker after the public comment portion of the meeting.

Thank you

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Agenda Item No. 6

MEETING OF THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

November 18, 2026

SUBJECT:

Online Permitting Portal Update (Leonardo Fewell)

INFORMATION ONLY:

Budget Impact

None with this item.

DISCUSSION:

For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA) has acquired an online permitting solution that will serve as its main database and allow applicants and permit holders to complete and submit all business transactions. FHVA will present an outreach plan to inform permit holders about the online permit renewal process beginning January 1, 2027.

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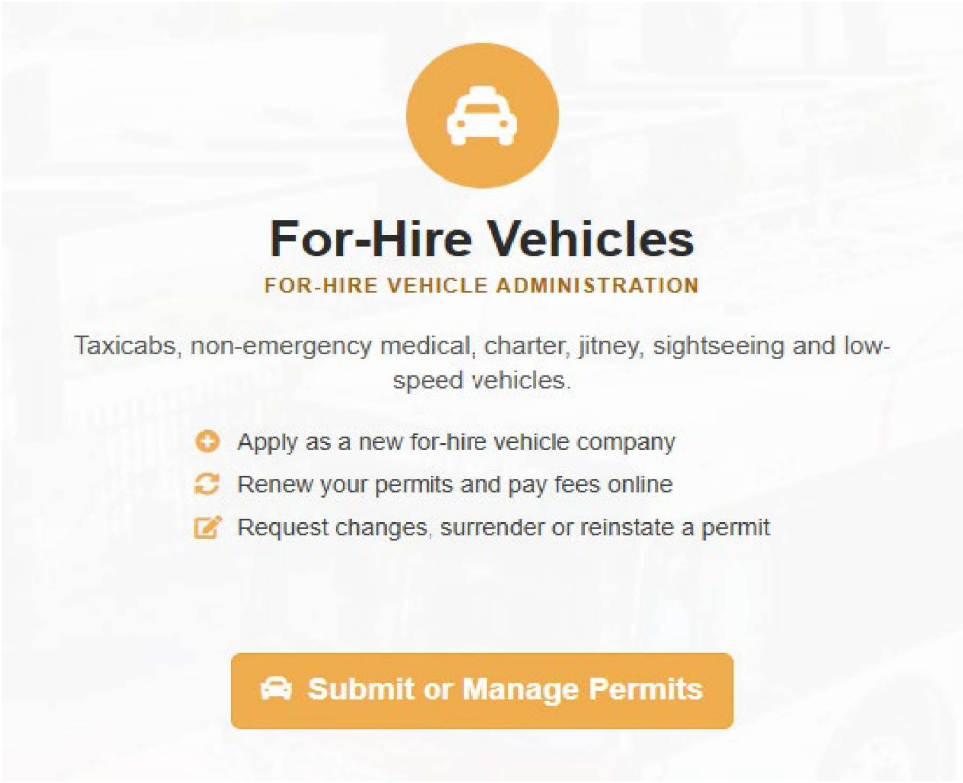
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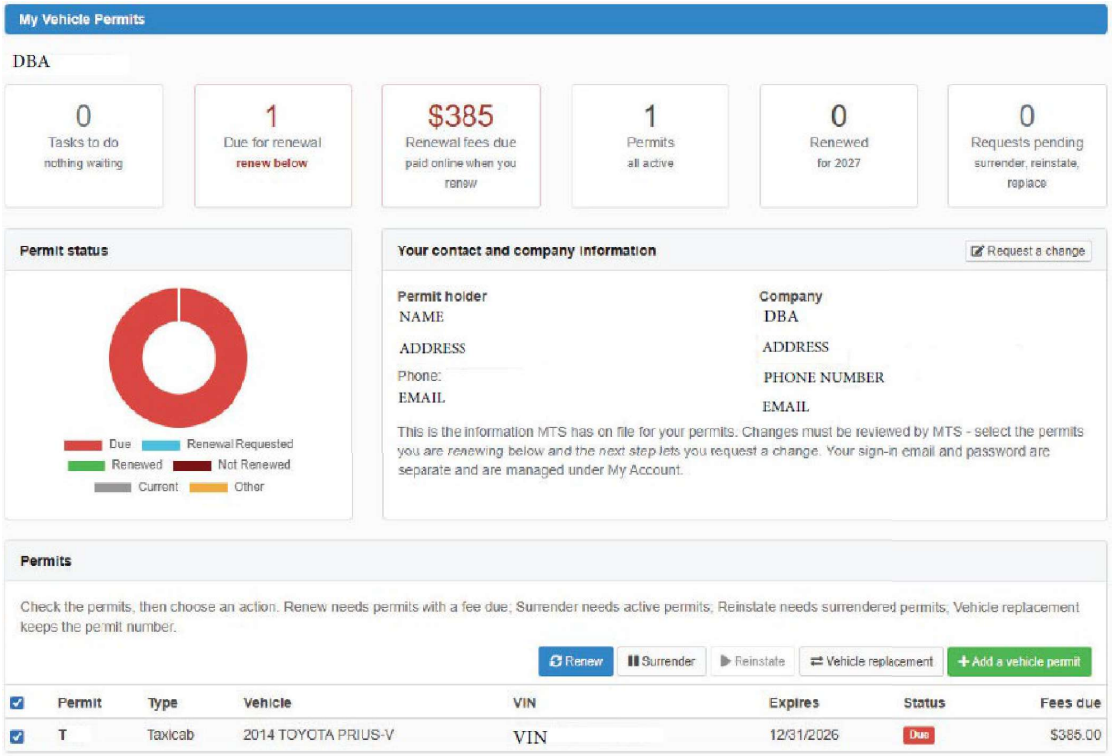
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- FHVA has acquired an online permitting solution that will serve as its main database and allow applicants and permit holders to complete and submit:
  - Applications for new and additional permits
  - Requests dispatch service changes, surrenders and return to service
  - Annual statements and vehicle inspections needed for permit renewals
  - Vehicle insurance, registration and other documents and forms
  - Credit and Debit Card payments for all administrative fees (only electronic payments will be accepted)
- Additionally, the online permit solution will allow FHVA to electronically complete supplemental inspections, provide digital payment receipts, and other features to facilitate business transactions.

Online Permitting Portal Update



Online Permitting Portal Update



Online Permitting Portal Update
Information Outreach

- To inform permit holders and all interested parties, beginning around December 1st, 2026, FHVA will conduct the following outreach strategies:
  - Regulatory Inspectors will distribute informational flyers via email to dispatch services, NEMT companies, and drivers during routine field contacts
  - Provide a showcase presentation to all interested dispatch services so they may assist their subscribers to renew permits, submit documents, or any other operational requests.
  - Send email blasts and phone text messages with information on how to log on to the online portal, submit payments, and complete the annual permit renewal process

Online Permitting Portal Update
Information Outreach

- Outreach strategies (continued):
  - Create online permit renewal information tab within sdmts.com (FHVA) website
  - Devise a schedule with dates, times and locations for FHVA staff to assist permit holders with the permit renewal process beginning January 3, 2027, potential locations could include:
    - San Diego Airport holding lot
    - Dispatch Service Business Offices
    - Known points of taxi business (San Ysidro, Otay Mesa, Old Town Transit Center)
    - FHVA or other MTS location
  - FHVA will aim to disseminate the outreach schedule via e-mail and post it on the sdmts.com (FHVA) website prior to January 2027. Permit holders can meet with FHVA staff at those locations for assistance

Online Permitting Portal Update
Information Outreach

- The online permitting platform for FHVA is managed by **geocivix**
- By January 3, 2027, permit holders should receive an email from **geocivix.com**
- The email will contain a direct link to the permit portal and instructions on how to log in with a temporary password
- A username and password is required to log in to the portal
- The username will always be the permit holder's email
- For security, permit holders should change temporary password

Online Permitting Portal Update
Important Steps

- The annual renewal process consists of three requirements:
  1. Annual Regulatory Fee payment (per vehicle)*pending CEO approval
     - Taxicabs, Low-Speed vehicles, Jitney's ($405)
     - Nonemergency Medical, Charters ($520)
  2. Confirmation of Business and Vehicle Information
     - Permit holder confirms business type (sole owner, partnership, LLC) and contact information (address, phone number(s), e-mail), Vehicle(s) Information (Model, Year, VIN, License Plate)
  3. Mechanical Safety Vehicle Inspection Report
     - Completed by certified mechanics at a Bureau of Automotive Repair Facility
     - Must be submitted along with an inspection invoice from the repair facility
     - All safety items must show as "pass" in order to renew the permit

Online Permitting Portal Update
Important Steps

- Only paying of regulatory fees does not complete the renewal process
  - Permit Holders must also confirm that business and vehicle information remains accurate
  - Permit Holders must also submit annual vehicle inspections report and receipt
    - The online portal consolidates the payment, confirmation of business and vehicle information, and vehicle inspection requirements, allowing permit holders to complete the process in one setting.
- Failure to complete all three steps on the online permitting portal by the permit renewal deadline could result in permit revocation and loss of annual renewal payment (fees are nonrefundable)

Online Permitting Portal Update
Important Steps

- To facilitate the permit renewal process in one setting, FHVA encourages permit holders to follow these recommendations:
  - Check inbox and spam for emails from sdmts.com and geocivix.com.
  - Complete the mechanical vehicle inspections with the mechanic of your choice *prior* to logging into the online portal
  - Have the vehicle inspection and invoice documents ready to upload
    - vehicle inspection reports and invoices must be uploaded to the portal
    - scan the mechanical vehicle inspection report and invoices into PDF format, no pictures are accepted
  - Have vehicle registrations on hand to confirm business and vehicle information on file is accurate
  - Ensure credit/debit card has sufficient funds to pay for renewal fees
    - Only Visa and Mastercard are accepted

Online Permitting Portal Update
Important Steps

- Recommendations (continued)
  - Renew permits early during the 60-day renewal period
    - Renewing early allows permit holders to correct any issues that might arise, i.e. returned payments, incomplete or missing documentation, or unexpected technical issues
  - Follow the FHVA outreach schedule for assistance from FHVA staff or your dispatch service
  - Notify FHVA of any changes to your email immediately (emails will be sent to the email on file with FHVA)

- Technical assistance will be available through geocivix.com

Questions/Comments

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Agenda Item No. 7

MEETING OF THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

November 18, 2026

SUBJECT:

For-Hire Vehicle Administration (FHVA) Operations Update (Leonardo Fewell)

Budget Impact

None

DISCUSSION:

FHVA will provide a report on the following topics and categories: upcoming Ad-Hoc meeting on rates of fare, wildcatter enforcement statistics, autonomous vehicle passenger service safety incident reporting, driver recognition program, number of active and surrendered permits by vehicle type, number of field contacts, issued citations, airport originated trips, customer feedback cases, other for-hire vehicle statistics, and administrative operations.

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For-Hire Vehicle Administration Operations Update

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FHVA Operations Update

- E-mail is the primary method of communication for all purposes
- FHVA has acquired an online permitting portal that will rely on the permit holder email to create an account and subsequently log in to the portal
- Beginning January 2027, FHVA transactions (e.g. applications, annual renewals, payments) will by conducted through the online portal
- Per Ordinance No. 11 1.8 (c), Permit holders must notify FHVA of any changes in their address, phone number(s) or e-mail information.

FHVA Operations Update

Future Ad-Hoc Meeting on Maximum Rates of Fare

- Per Board Policy No. 34 and Ordinance No. 11, FHVA calculates maximum rates of fare in accordance with the annual change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI)
  - The maximum rates of fare are the ceiling, but taxi companies may choose to charge lesser fees
- 2027 rates of fare will be posted around Feb. 2027.
- TAC has previously expressed concerns with continuous increases to the maximum rates of fare due to overall inflation

FHVA Operations Update

Future Ad-Hoc Meeting on Maximum Rates of Fare

- FHVA will convene an ad-hoc to provide info on maximum rates of fare calculation methods used by other regulatory agencies.
  - Ad-hoc meeting will likely be scheduled in January 2027.
- Additional meetings may be scheduled to further discuss any preferred alternatives to FHVA's current maximum rate of fare method.

FHVA Operations Update
AV Safety Incident Reporting

- Last September, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) authorized Waymo to begin autonomous vehicle (AV) passenger service in San Diego
- AVs may be involved in incidents that could cause a safety issue on or around public transit locations (e.g. trolley gate crossing, transit centers, bus stops or bus only lanes)
- Whenever possible, MTS will document these incidents and notify the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and/or Waymo
- AV safety incidents may be reported through the DMV website:
  - https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv-autonomous-vehicles-feedback-form/

FHVA Operations Update
Driver Recognition Program

- The purpose of the Driver Recognition Program is to recognize drivers in the (Taxicab, Jitney or Low-Speed) and (Nonemergency or Chater) vehicle categories who demonstrate excellence in customer service, courtesy, and professionalism
- All drivers of MTS permitted vehicles are eligible for nomination if they meet the below criteria:
  - Must have a valid Sheriffs Driver Identification Card in the prior 12 months of the award date
  - Must not have been subject to disciplinary action (i.e. notice to appear, administrative report, or a complaint) found to be sustained by FHVA or the Sheriff's Licensing in the prior 12 months of the award date.

FHVA Operations Update
Driver Recognition Program

- It is anticipated that the winner for each category will receive the following awards:
  - A plaque and/or paper certificate
  - A $100 gas gift card
  - Four (4) car wash tickets
  - The driver's picture and professional profile showcased on the MTS FHVA website for two (2) months after the award
  - Large Vehicle "Award Recognition" decal to be affixed to the driver's taxicab. The decal can remain part of the vehicle as long as the driver continues to drive it
  - MTS promotional merchandise
  - Sheriff's Driver I.D. renewal fee waiver

FHVA Operations Update
Driver Recognition Program

- Drivers will be nominated and selected based on the following criteria:
  - Driver Compliments received by FHVA
  - Feedback from Dispatch Services (recommending a subscriber(s))
  - Feedback from FHVA Regulatory Inspector staff (firsthand knowledge of of professionalism and compliance
- The CEO or their designee will evaluate the recommendations and select the winner for each category
- The Chair of TAC will present the award at the third TAC meeting of the year (usually around July 2027)

FHVA Operations Update
Driver Recognition Program

- More information of the FHVA Driver Recognition Program can be found at the FHVAs webpage:
- https://www.sdmts.com/business-center/hire-vehicle-taxicab-administration/driver-recognition-program
- Additionally, you may contact FHVA Manager Leonardo Fewell:
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FHVA Operations Update

Number of Active vs. Surrendered For-Hire Vehicle Permits (as of 11/12/2026)				
Permit Type	Total Number of Permits	Currently Active Permits	Number of Permits Surrendered	% Surrendered Permits
Charter	100	92	8	9%
Jitney	7	7	0	0%
LSV	25	25	0	0%
NEM	696	674	22	3.1%
Taxi	896	748	148	16.7%
Total (All Types)	**1724**	**1546**	**178**	**10.3%**

FHVA Operations Update

2026 QUARTERLY (July-September) F.H.V.A. FIELD INSPECTIONS & STATS												
	San Diego	National City	Chula Vista	La Mesa	El Cajon	Lemon Grove	Santee	Oceanside	Poway	Imperial Beach	SY/OTAY	TOTAL
Contacts	207	91	85	73	40	13	21	65	14	17	118	1509
Cites	1	1	1	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	11
Parking	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Warnings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Field Rep	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	3

Definitions:

Contacts: Field contacts to verify driver and vehicle compliance
Cites: Notice to appear in court
Parking: Parking Citation (administrative fine)
Warnings: Verbal Warning to driver to correct violation
Field Rep: Field Report requiring re-inspection to ascertain violation has been corrected

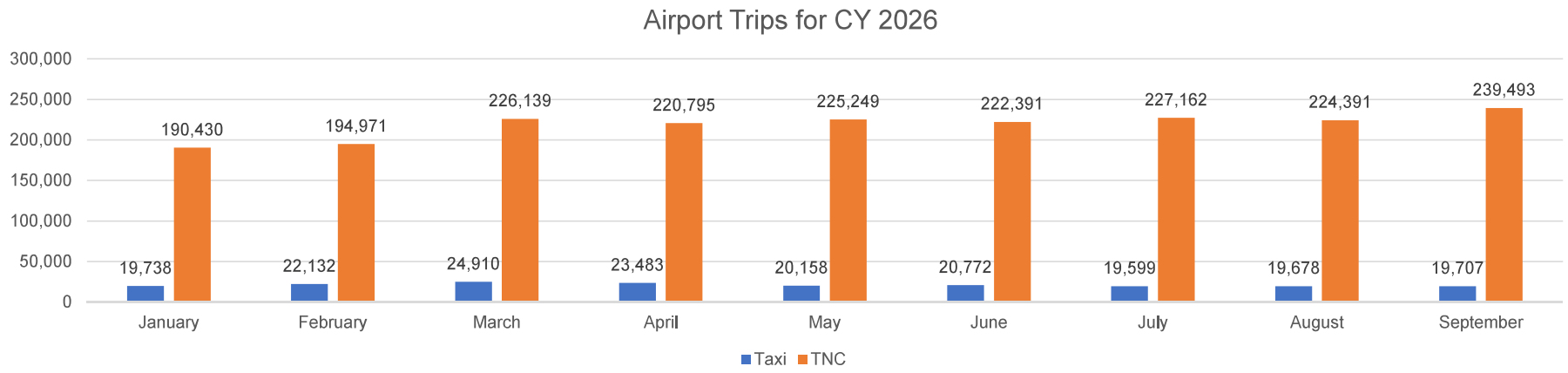
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Contact per Vehicle Type		
Vehicle Type	**Contacts**	**Percent**
Taxi	982	65.08%
NEM / Charter	524	34.72%
Jitney	1	0.07%
Low Speed Vehicle	2	0.13%
Total	**1509**	**100%**

FHVA Operations Update
Customer Feedback Cases

Categories	Number of Cases in April – Jun 2026	Number of Cases in July – Sept 2026	Notes
Rude Behavior	7	15	concerning increase
Credit Card Refusal	2	0	
Vehicle Issue	1	5	
Smoking	1	0	
Fare Refusal	1	2	
No Receipt	2	1	
Unsafe Driving	6	11	concerning increase
Hygiene/Dress Code	0	0	
On Cell Phone	1	0	
Long Hauling	0	1	
Overcharge	17	29	concerning increase
Compliments	*6*	*15*	*positive increase*

FHVA Operations Update
Airport Trips for CY 2026



	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
Taxi	9.4%	10.2%	9.9%	9.5%	8.2%	8.5%	7.9%	8.1%	7.6%
TNC	90.6%	89.8%	90.1%	90.5%	91.8%	91.5%	92.1%	91.9%	92.4%

FHVA Operations Update
Wildcatter Enforcement

- San Diego Police Department (SDPD) and CPUC continue to collaborate on wildcatting enforcement
- SDPD will provide TAC with recent statistics on wildcatter enforcement in the San Ysidro and Otay Mesa Border areas

Questions/Comments

Agenda Item No. 8

MEETING OF THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

November 18, 2026

SUBJECT:

Topic for Next Taxicab Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting (Leonardo Fewell)

INFORMATION ONLY:

Budget Impact

None

DISCUSSION:

Feedback is requested on what topics should be addressed at the next TAC meeting for 2027at a time and date to be determined. Currently, staff recommend the following agenda items:

- 2027 Maximum Rates Fare
- Online Portal Regulatory Fee Payment Update
- FHVA Operations Update

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Topics for Next Taxicab Advisory Committee Meeting

Taxicab Advisory Committee

Topics for Next TAC Meeting

- Feeback is requested on what topics should be addressed at the next TAC meeting

- Currently, staff recommends the following agenda items:
  - 2027 Maximum Rates of Fare
  - Online Portal Regulatory Fee Payment Update
  - FHVA Operations Update

Questions/Comments