

ATTACHMENT A
MINUTES OF MEETING APRIL 29, 2026



**Action Summary Hybrid Meeting: Virtual or In-Person
Special Board Meeting**

Meeting Date: April 29, 2026

Time: 1:00 pm

In Person: KCAPTA Board Chambers,
210 E. 7th St., Hanford, CA 93230
Hanford, CA 93230

Avenal City Hall, Conference Room
919 Skyline Blvd.
Avenal, CA 93204

Virtual: Zoom Meeting

KCAPTA Board: Joe Neves, Kings County Supervisor
Patricia M, Lemoore City Council
Doug Verboon, Kings County Supervisor
Absent-Avenal City Council
Nancy Howze, City of Hanford

Staff: Angie Dow, Executive Director
Oscar Gonzalez, Facilities & Fleet Specialist
Mark Pedreiro, Transit Manager
Jimmy Macias, Accountant
Heather Corder, Accountant
Geneive Morales, Transit Assistant

Legal Counsel: Ken Richardson, Legal Counsel

Visitors: MV Transportation: Ramiro Maldonado,
Robyn Reeves, Tiffany Gwin, KCAG: Terri
King, Teresa Nickell

Unscheduled Appearances:

No unscheduled appearances.

Action Summary

3. Consent Item:

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The Board approved the following:

- A. Summary Minutes of Meeting March 25, 2026
- B. Year-End Cleanup Budget Transfer
- C. Resolution 26-04-Approval of FY 26 TIRCP Grant Application
- D. Resolution 26-08 - Low Carbon Transit Operations Project List

Vote: Approved as presented.

4 Present: NH, JN, PM, DV | **1 Absent:** AP | **0 Abstained.**

**4. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH CLEAN ENERGY TO SUPPLY RNG & LCFS CREDIT
MANAGEMENT:**

The Board approved a five-year agreement with Clean Energy for the continued purchase of Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) and management of KCAPTA’s Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) credits, effective upon expiration of the current agreement

in June 2026. Under the new agreement, Clean Energy will supply dairy-based RNG derived from livestock manure, which is expected to generate higher-value LCFS credits. KCAPTA will receive 15% of LCFS credit revenue and 15% of Renewable Identification Number (RIN) credit revenue. The agreement is projected to increase annual revenue from approximately \$80,000 to \$180,000. The Board authorized the Chairman to execute all necessary documents related to the agreement.

Vote: Action approved as presented.

4 Present: NH, JN, PM, DV | **1 Absent:** AP | **0 Abstained.**

5. ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027 SALARY RESOLUTION 26-03 & SALARY INCREASES

As part of the annual Fiscal Year budget process, staff reviewed employee salaries and presented a recommended cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) to the Board. The Board approved Resolution 26-03, authorizing a 2% salary increase. The proposed increase will have a \$20,841 fiscal impact on salaries and benefits in the FY26-27 Budget.

Vote: Action approved as presented.

4 Present: NH, JN, PM, DV | **1 Absent:** AP | **0 Abstained.**

6. APPROVE KCAPTA'S FY2026-2027 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET

As part of preparation for the upcoming fiscal year, KART staff reviewed and presented the proposed FY 2026–2027 budget to the Board. Staff worked collaboratively to develop a balanced budget that supports passenger transit needs and overall transit center operations while addressing areas that may impact financial stability and service delivery. Following review by the Executive Director, the proposed budget was presented to the Board for final approval.

The total proposed budget for FY 2026–2027 is \$10,917,916 and is balanced, representing an increase of less than \$34,800 from the previous fiscal year. The budget is organized into four categories: Salaries and Benefits, Services and Supplies, Capital Assets, and Revenues.

Salary and benefit costs increased primarily due to a proposed 2% salary adjustment and rising health insurance costs. The Services and Supplies budget totals \$9,373,890, reflecting an increase of \$198,340, or 2.16%, from the prior year. The Capital Assets budget totals \$377,296, a decrease of \$316,385, or 46%, from the previous fiscal year. Although expenditures increased, projected revenues offset those changes, resulting in a balanced budget. Revenue sources include Federal Funds (36%), State and Local Funds (50%), and Passenger Fares (14.44%).

Staff also informed the Board that the FY 2027 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which outlines long-term capital projects and infrastructure investments, will be presented separately at the next Board meeting.

During the discussion, the Board requested that staff provide additional information at the next meeting regarding the farebox recovery ratio, including its legal requirements, relationship to grant funding and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and its overall impact on transit operations and funding. The Board emphasized the importance of public understanding regarding how passenger fares contribute to transit funding and operations.

The Board approved the balanced FY 2026–2027 budget totaling \$10,917,916.

Vote: Approved as presented.

4 Present: NH, JN, PM, DV | **1 Absent:** AP | **0 Abstained.**

7. ADOPT RESOLUTION 26-05 APPROVING THE FILING OF A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION RELATED TO THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRIC BUSES

At its March 2026 meeting, the Board approved the purchase of four (4) 35-foot battery-electric buses from Gillig, partially funded through the Cycle 5 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) grant in the amount of \$5,464,152.

As part of the TIRCP grant requirements, the Agency must file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Staff initially filed the NOE with the Kings County Clerk of the Board and requested the required 30-day posting period based on guidance received from CalSTA. However, a subsequent review determined that formal Board action was necessary to approve the CEQA determination and to authorize the filing of the NOE.

The Board adopted Resolution 26-05 approving the filing of the Notice of Exemption and authorizing the Executive Director to execute all necessary documents in accordance with CEQA Guidelines.

Vote: Approved as presented.

4 Present: NH, JN, PM, DV | **1 Absent:** AP | **0 Abstained.**

7.1 **Resolution 26-08 Low Carbon Transit Operations Projects**

An urgency item was added to the agenda regarding the FY 2025/26 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP). LCTOP is part of the Transit, Affordable Housing, and Sustainable Communities Program established by Senate Bill 862 to provide operating and capital assistance to transit agencies for projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve mobility, and prioritize disadvantaged communities.

KCAPTA's FY 2025/26 LCTOP apportionment totals \$231,534. Staff proposed allocating the funds toward two projects: (1) \$100,000 for the purchase of a zero-emission battery-electric vehicle for administrative use, and (2) \$131,534 to subsidize reduced-fare monthly passes for the general public.

The Board approved Resolution 26-08 authorizing the FY 2025/26 LCTOP projects and authorizing the Executive Director to execute and submit all required documents and reports related to the program.

Vote: Approved as presented.

4 Present: NH, JN, PM, DV | **1 Absent:** AP | **0 Abstained.**

8. **MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS FROM STAFF**

Board members and staff provided updates and announcements. **Mark Pedreiro** reported that a public hearing will be presented at the next Board meeting to receive testimony regarding proposed route changes for Routes 5, 9, 15, and 17.

Robyn Reeves reported that **Jerad Raper** was in Texas recognizing a driver who was named Operator of the Year after achieving 5,144 consecutive days of safe operation without incidents and being selected from among 10,000 employees company-wide. She also noted that MV Transportation currently has four qualified drivers in training.

Heather Corder reported that she is currently working on the triennial review and will be submitting the required documents this week.

Ken Richardson stated that everything is going well.

Patricia Mathews announced an upcoming Taco/Salsa event scheduled for Saturday in downtown Lemoore, coordinated by the Lemoore Chamber of Commerce near the movie theater.

The **next Board meeting** is scheduled for **May 27, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.**