



JUNE 19 2025

AMES TRANSIT AGENCY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Ames Transit Agency Board of Trustees met on June 19, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in the CyRide Conference room. President Boland called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. with Trustees Junck, Lee, and Schainker present.

APPROVAL OF MAY 22, 2025, MINUTES:

Trustee Schainker made a motion to adopt the May 22, 2025, Transit Board minutes as presented; Trustee Junck seconded the motion. (Ayes: 4 Nays: 0) Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS:

Director Neal requested approval of award of contract to purchase video surveillance systems. All fixed route buses are equipped with surveillance systems that monitor the interior and exterior of the vehicle. CyRide is currently in a multi-year contract with Safety Vision for the purchase and installation of these systems. Ten buses have been identified as needing to be replaced for a cost of \$74,150.10. Currently, CyRide has \$123,732 available in the CIP to support replacing the systems.

Director Neal requested board approval of Alternative #1 to approve the purchase of ten video surveillance systems and installation services to Safety Vision of Houston, Texas, for a total cost of \$74,150.10. This purchase would allow CyRide to maintain its equipment in a state of good repair and is critical for providing liability protection and ensuring passenger safety and security.

Trustee Schainker made a motion to approve Alternative #1; Trustee Junck seconded the motion. (Ayes: 4 Nays: 0) Motion carried.

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR BATTERY ELECTRIC BUS CHARGING EQUIPMENT:

Director Neal requested approval to purchase charging equipment for the five battery electric buses scheduled to arrive in the fall. This equipment will be necessary to operate the buses when they arrive at CyRide. CyRide worked with the bus manufacturer, Gillig, to receive quotes and determine the best pricing for purchase. ChargePoint Inc. was identified as the best solution for CyRide. The cost of the chargers and dispensers is \$424,700. An additional \$124,700 was needed and the Battery Electric Bus Reserve Fund was recommended to support the purchase.

Director Neal requested board approval of Alternative #1 to approve the award of contract to Gillig LLC of Livermore, CA, for a total cost of \$424,700 for the purchase of battery electric bus chargers and dispensers. This purchase will provide the infrastructure CyRide needs to operate the new batter electric buses and delivers the best value for CyRide and its funding partners.

Trustee Lee made a motion to approve Alternative #1; Trustee Schainker seconded the motion. (Ayes: 4 Nays: 0) Motion carried.

MONTHLY REPORT:

Local Rodeo: The local rodeo was held on Saturday, May 31. Paul Klimesh, Kae Stourac, Grant Peterson, and Sam Stember will compete at the state rodeo in July in Iowa City.

Rides per Capita: The American Public Transportation Association (APTA) recently released its annual fact book. CyRide now ranks second in the nation for rides per capita, behind only New York City. This recognition shows how much the community embraces CyRide and reinforces that it is one of the most efficient small transit systems in the country.

Summer meeting dates:

- July 17, 5:00 p.m.

Adjourn: Trustee Lee made a motion to adjourn at 5:12 p.m.; Trustee Schainker seconded the motion. (Ayes: 4 Nays: 0) Motion carried.

Emily Boland, President

Cheryl Spencer, Recording Secretary