

July 23, 2018

To: Members of the Alameda Transportation Commission
Re: Proposed changes to AC Transit Line 96

Dear Honorable Members of the Transportation Commission:

Agenda item 5A on the July 25th TC meeting contains a recommendation from City staff that proposed changes to the AC Transit Line 96 be approved by the Transportation Commission. The Alameda Transportation Management Association (ATMA) strongly endorses these changes and requests that they be approved.

The changes to the Line 96 will greatly improve service to Alameda Point, adding stops and expanding the route to serve more residents and employees. Additionally, the route improvements are a part of a broader Alameda Point Transportation Plan to increase public transportation ridership in the region, including the distribution of free Easy Passes to all employees at Alameda Point. These passes are good for all transit services offered by AC Transit, including intra-island and TransBay. The route modifications and free passes will help address traffic and congestion issues at Alameda Point and throughout all of Alameda.

The ATMA would also like to acknowledge City staff for their years of work and effort in making these changes to the Line 96 and to the Easy Pass program. The City of Alameda and AC Transit have developed a very favorable working relationship and much of that credit goes to Jennifer Ott, Gail Payne and Andrew Thomas for their forward thinking and dedication to establishing and expanding this partnership.

Again, we urge you to vote yes on the proposed changes contained in Agenda Item 5A.

Sincerely,
John Atkinson
Executive Director, Alameda TMA