Employee of the Quarter – Jason Namla



Outstanding Achievement



Chris Ladue



Will Pompe

Consent Agenda

A-1	Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of August 12, 2026 and Draft Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of October 14, 2026 (Information)
A-2	RTA Board Meeting Minutes of September 2, 2026 (Approve)
A-3	Draft RTAC Minutes of October 15, 2026 (Information)
A-4	Revisions to Parts Clerk Job Description (Approve)
A-5	Annual Fiscal and Compliance Audit and Annual Single Audit (Accept)
A-6	Procure Three Medium-Duty Cutaway Fixed-Route Buses (Authorize)
A-7	Authorize Agreement for Janitorial Cleaning Services (Approve)
A-8	Authorize Agreement for Landscape Maintenance Service (Approve)
A-9	Authorize Agreement for Electrical Maintenance & Repairs (Approve)
A-10	Authorize Agreement for Bulk Oils & Lubricants (Approve)
A-11	Procurement of Digital Real-Time Information System Signage (Authorize)
A-12	Draft SCTC Meeting Minutes of October 22, 2026 (Information)

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NOVEMBER 4, 2026

AGENDA ITEM: B-1

TOPIC: Executive Director's Report

PRESENTED BY: Geoff Straw, Executive Director

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and File

Operations

- Bus Operator Recruitment
  - Since last Board meeting: Seven Bus Operators completed training and are driving. Two more competed training and will drive soon. One more just started training.
  - ***For the first time since the pandemic: No open bids!!***

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- First Place: Derrick
- Second Place: Luis
- Third Place: Sal



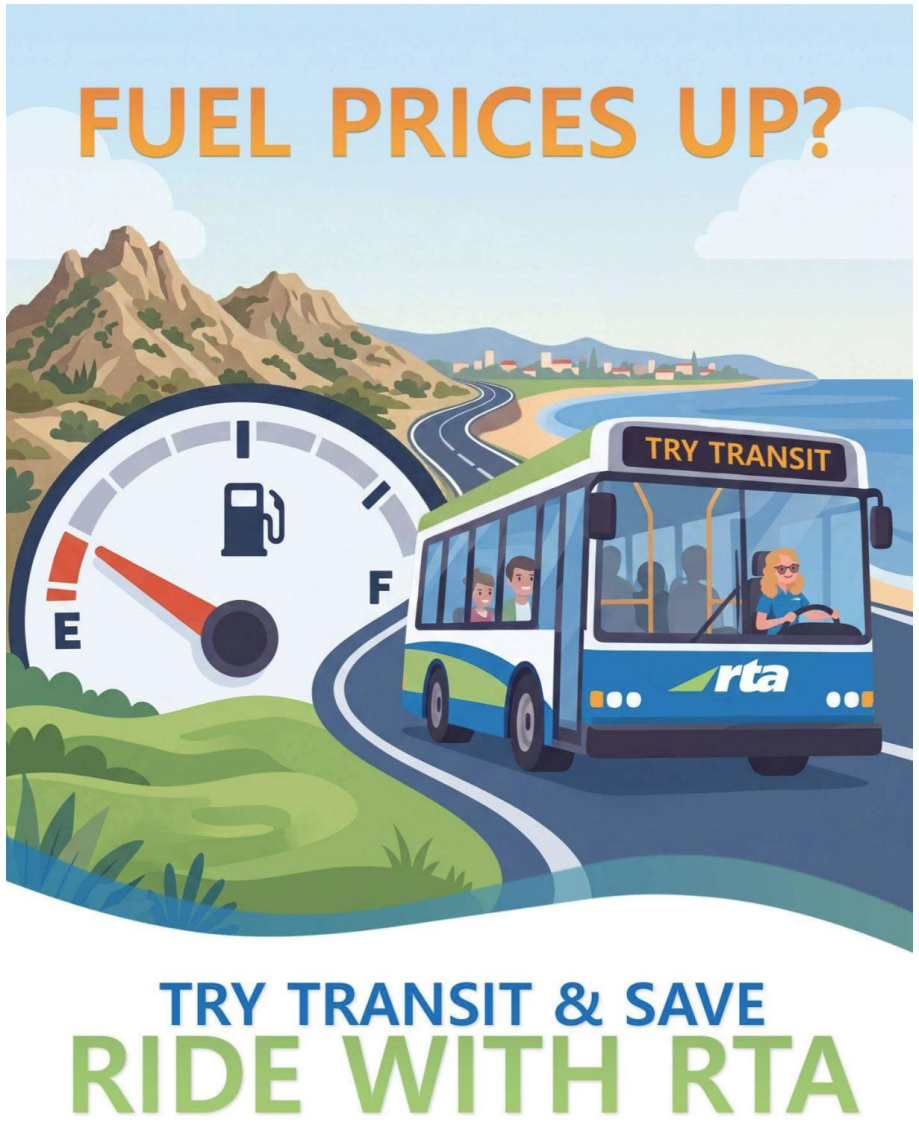






Marketing & Communications

- *Tap2Ride* & Discount Eligibility Cards continues to be a primary focus
- New ad campaign aimed at boosting ridership running on social media
- Continued replacement of faded bus stop signs



Marketing & Communications

- Bi-annual comprehensive customer survey
- Marketing materials for South County Routes 27 & 28, and for Morro Bay Transit.



Maintenance & Facilities

- Four new Gillig BEBs
  - In-service November 2nd
  - Brings our BEB fleet to 11
  - Roughly 1/3 of our heavy-duty fleet

- Under FTA rules, we have six months to determine if vehicles being replaced will be contingency fleet or salvaged/sold

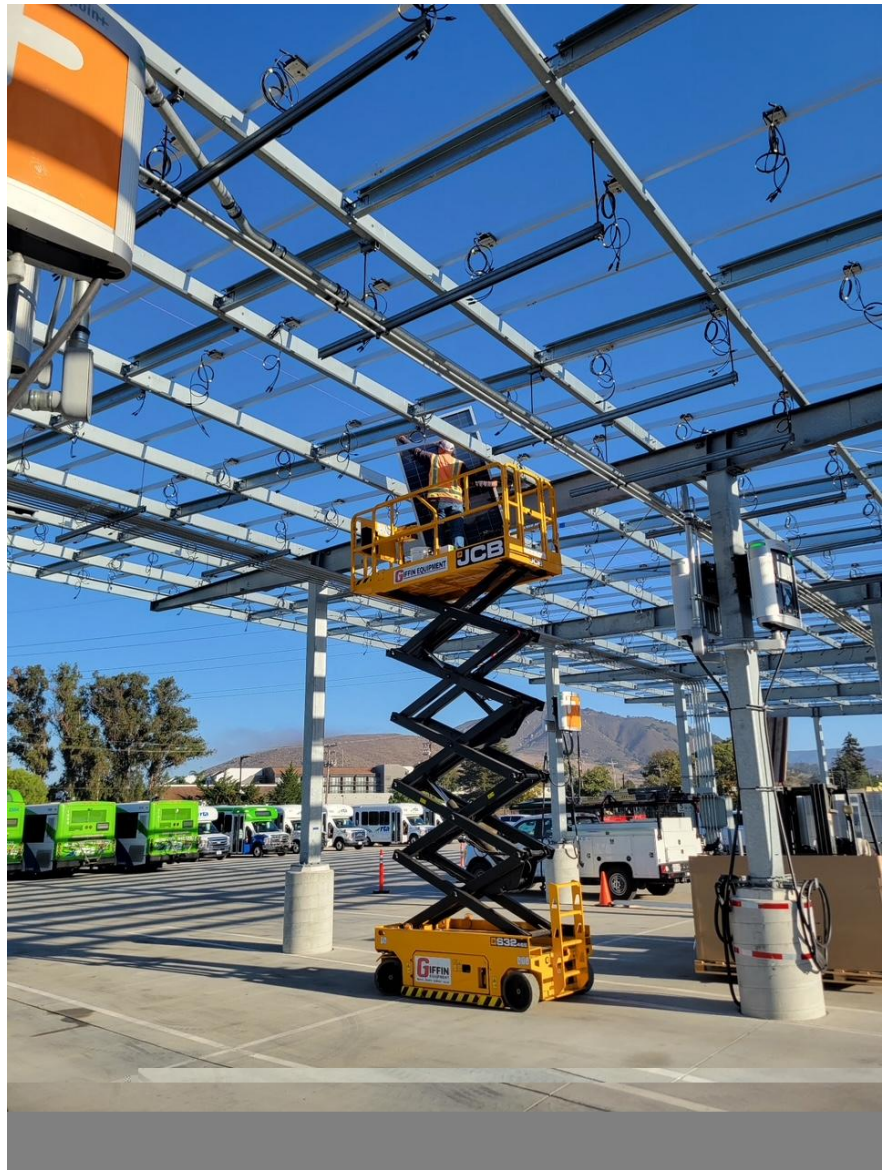
- RTA's Contingency Fleet Plan was approved by the Board in the May 2026 meeting

Maintenance & Facilities

- During September, we operated 34,730 miles using BEBs, and 66,690 miles using diesel powered buses (roughly 1/3 BEB miles)
- With high diesel prices vs kilowatts of electricity
  - $0.39 per BEB mile and $1.32 per diesel mile
  - If only diesel, our fuel costs would have been $33,000 higher!
  - Once Paso yard is electrified, we will use all 11 BEBs in daily revenue service

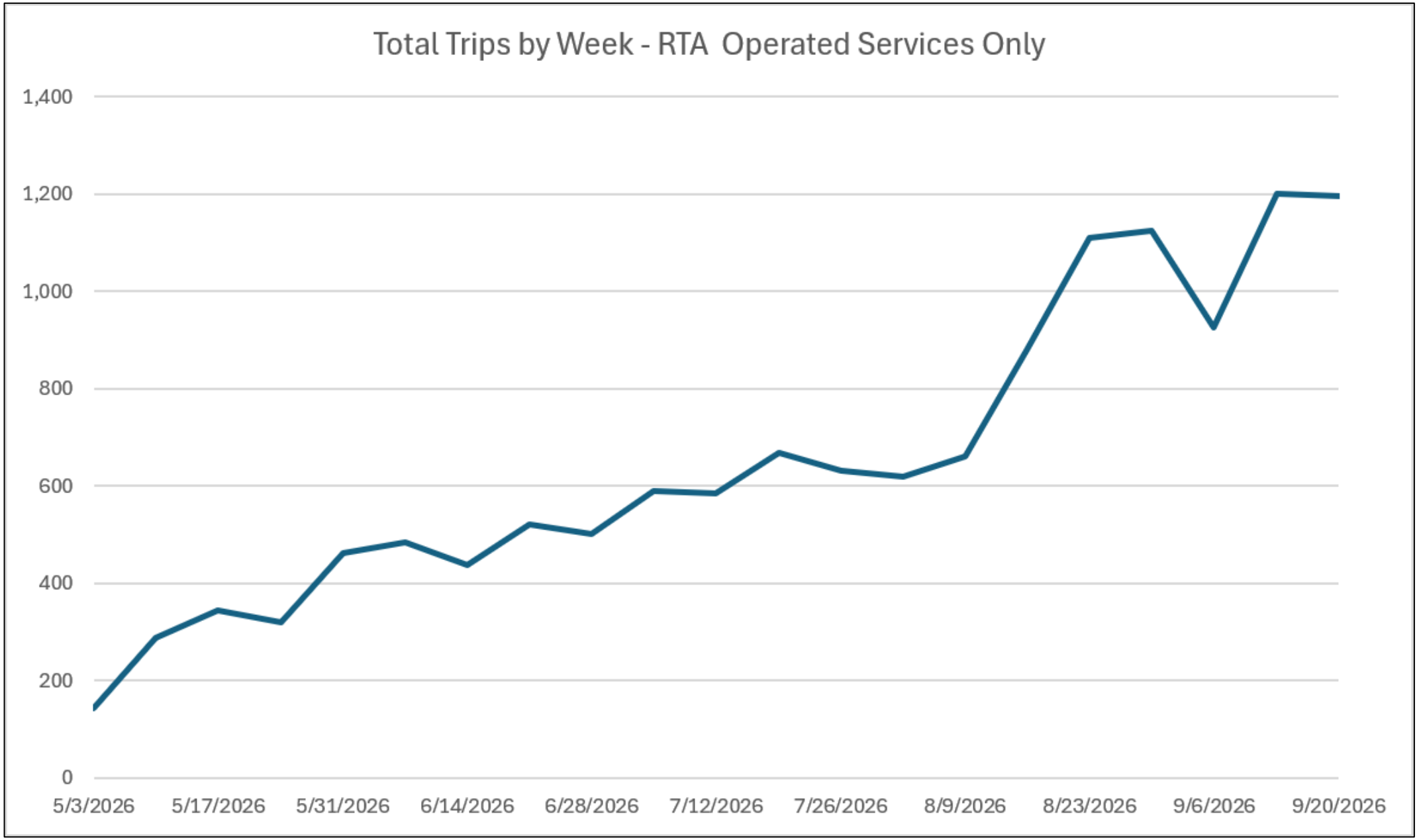
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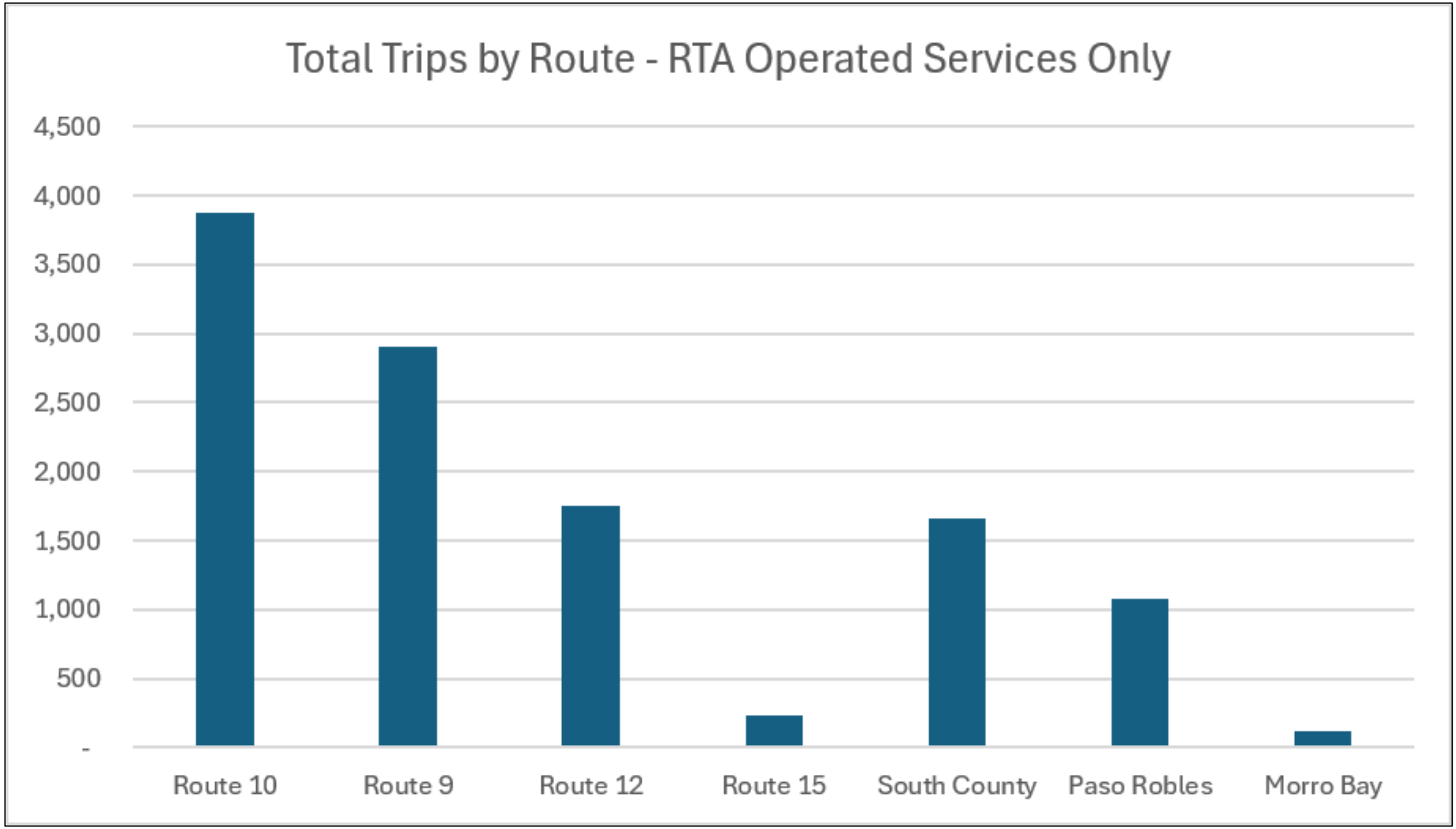
- Photovoltaic System installation complete
- 288.3 kW system
- Testing in November, and in-service by year end

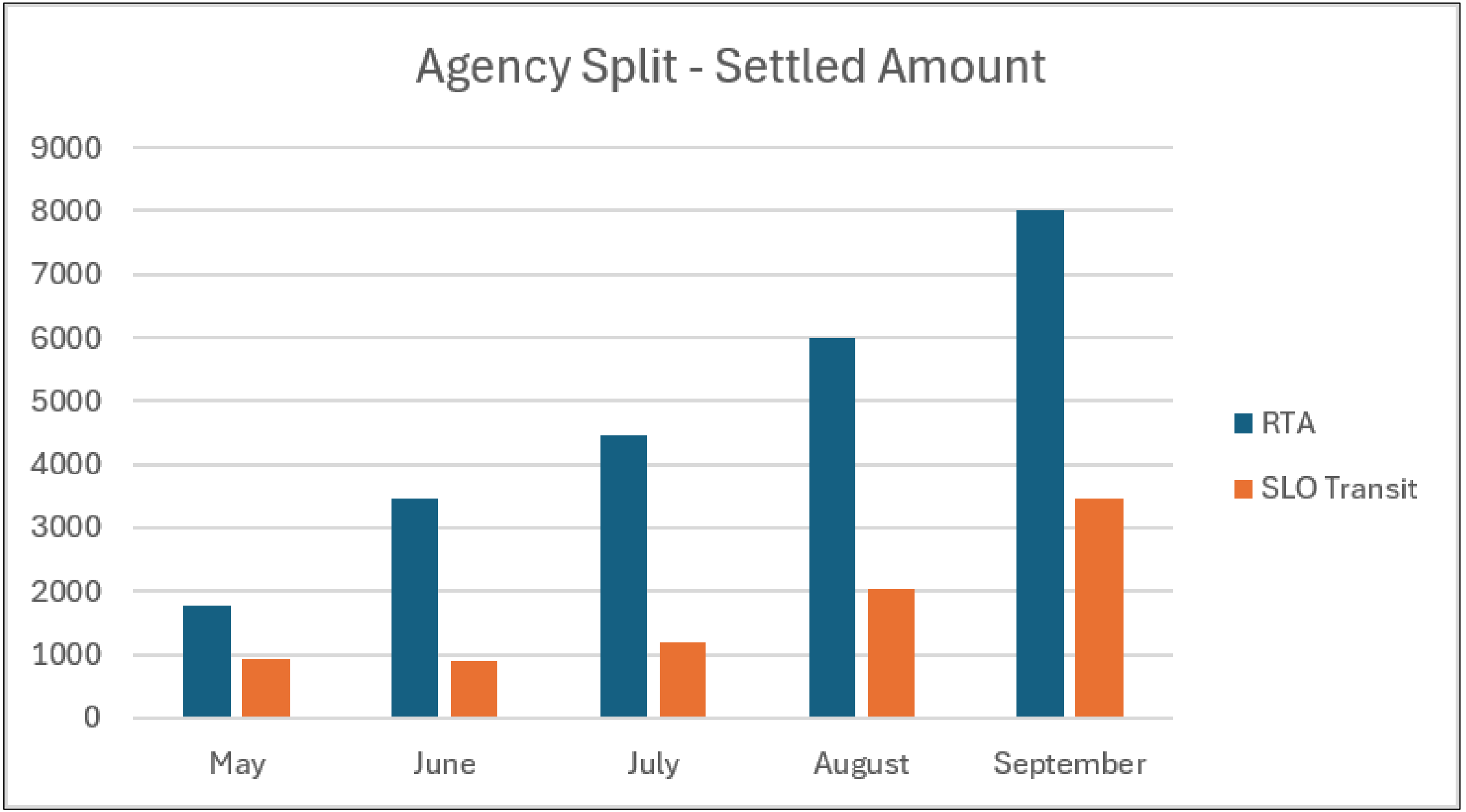


Finance & Administration

- September 18 hosted part of a CTC bus tour sponsored by SLOCOG
- Continue to work with vendor (Kuba) on contactless fare system
  - Challenges with QR code reader
    - Currently used by many students / their parents
    - Likely to be used by Cuesta and Cal Poly in future
- *Tap2Ride* system use is growing


Total Trips by Week - RTA Operated Services Only
1,400
1,200
1,000
800
600
400
200
0
5/3/2026
5/17/2026
5/31/2026
6/14/2026
6/28/2026
7/12/2026
7/26/2026
8/9/2026
8/23/2026
9/6/2026
9/20/2026


Total Trips by Route - RTA Operated Services Only
4,500
4,000
3,500
3,000
2,500
2,000
1,500
1,000
500
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Route 10
Route 9
Route 12
Route 15
South County
Paso Robles
Morro Bay


Agency Split - Settled Amount
9000
8000
7000
6000
5000
4000
3000
2000
1000
0
May
June
July
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Finance and Administration

- YTD ridership results in comparison to last year:
  - RTA intercity fixed-route ridership up 4.2%
    - Route 9 up 4.0%
    - Route 10 up 7.4%
    - Route 12 down 0.7%
    - Route 15 up 16.9%
- Increase in fuel costs since Feb 2026 and US 101 construction contribute to increases.
- Paso Robles ridership up 1.1%

Finance and Administration

- YTD Ridership Results in South County routes up 2.4%
  - Had been declining while significant road construction was on-going
- Runabout ridership 25.8% decline
  - Implemented new computer aided dispatch program with better scheduling efficiencies
  - Revenue hours also down 45% and revenue miles down 25%

Finance and Administration

- YTD expenses through 25% of budget year
  - 22.2% of annual Admin budget and 22.1% of annual Operations budget
  - Overall noncapital expenses at 21.9%
    - Fuel is higher than budgeted
    - Seek to maximize BEB use

Finance and Administration

- Farebox Recovery Ratio:
  - Intercity Fixed-Routes 6.5%
  - Runabout 3.9%

- Subsidy per Passenger-Trip
  - Intercity Fixed-Routes $15.78
  - Runabout $134.95

Staff Recommendation

Accept the Executive Director's Report as an information item



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AGENDA ITEM: B-2

TOPIC: Projected Use of LTF for Transit Purposes

PRESENTED BY: Tania Arnold, Deputy Director/CFO

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and File

- Summary of net LTF apportionments

- TDA law prioritizes the use of LTF as follows:

1. TDA Administration by SLOCOG
2. Planning & Programming by SLOCOG
3. Pedestrian and Bicycle as allocated to each jurisdiction by population
4. Community Transit Services Agencies, which include Ride-On and the RTA
5. Transit
6. Streets/roads.

Staff Recommendation

Receive and file the projected use of LTF for transit purposes.

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AGENDA ITEM:	**B-3**
TOPIC:	**Update on Strategic Planning Procurement**
PRESENTED BY:	**Geoff Straw, Executive Director**
RECOMMENDATION:	**Receive and File**

- Authorized at September 2026 Board meeting
- Procurement process has started
- Scope identifies:
  - Half-day Visioning Session
  - Strategic Priorities meeting

Staff Recommendation

Receive and file

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AGENDA ITEM:	**C-1**
TOPIC:	**Fiscal year 2025-26 Operating and Capital Budget Amendment #1**
PRESENTED BY:	**Tania Arnold**
RECOMMENDATION:	**Adopt Budget Amendment #1 as Presented**

Background/Discussion

- Focus is on capital items that are being carried forward

- ***None of these adjustments require additional/new funds***

- STA adjustment being carried forward to FY27-28 in light of potential future funding challenges

Change Overview

- Carryover a wide range of funds (SGR, SB125, RTF, 5307, 5339)

- Carryover large number of projects
  - Larger items include computer system maintenance, regional contactless fare payment system, regional facility projects, master planning for offsite fast charging, and vehicle replacements

Executive & RTAC Recommendation

Bring the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budget Amendment #1 as Presented to the Board of Approval.

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Received and filed

Staff Recommendation

Adopt Budget Amendment #1 as presented.

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AGENDA ITEM:	**C-2**
TOPIC:	**Public Hearing: Service Changes for South County Transit Services**
PRESENTED BY:	**Geoff Straw, Executive Director**
RECOMMENDATION:	**Adopt Service Changes effective January 17, 2027**

What's New?

- Began operating smaller gasoline-powered minibuses on Routes 27/28 in 2024
- Atlantic City re-route & AG High School Tripper implemented in August 2025
- City of Grover Beach announces closure of Ramona Garden Park passenger facility in October 2025
- Implemented Cal-ITP Open-Loop Contactless Payment/Fare-Capping System countywide in April 2026

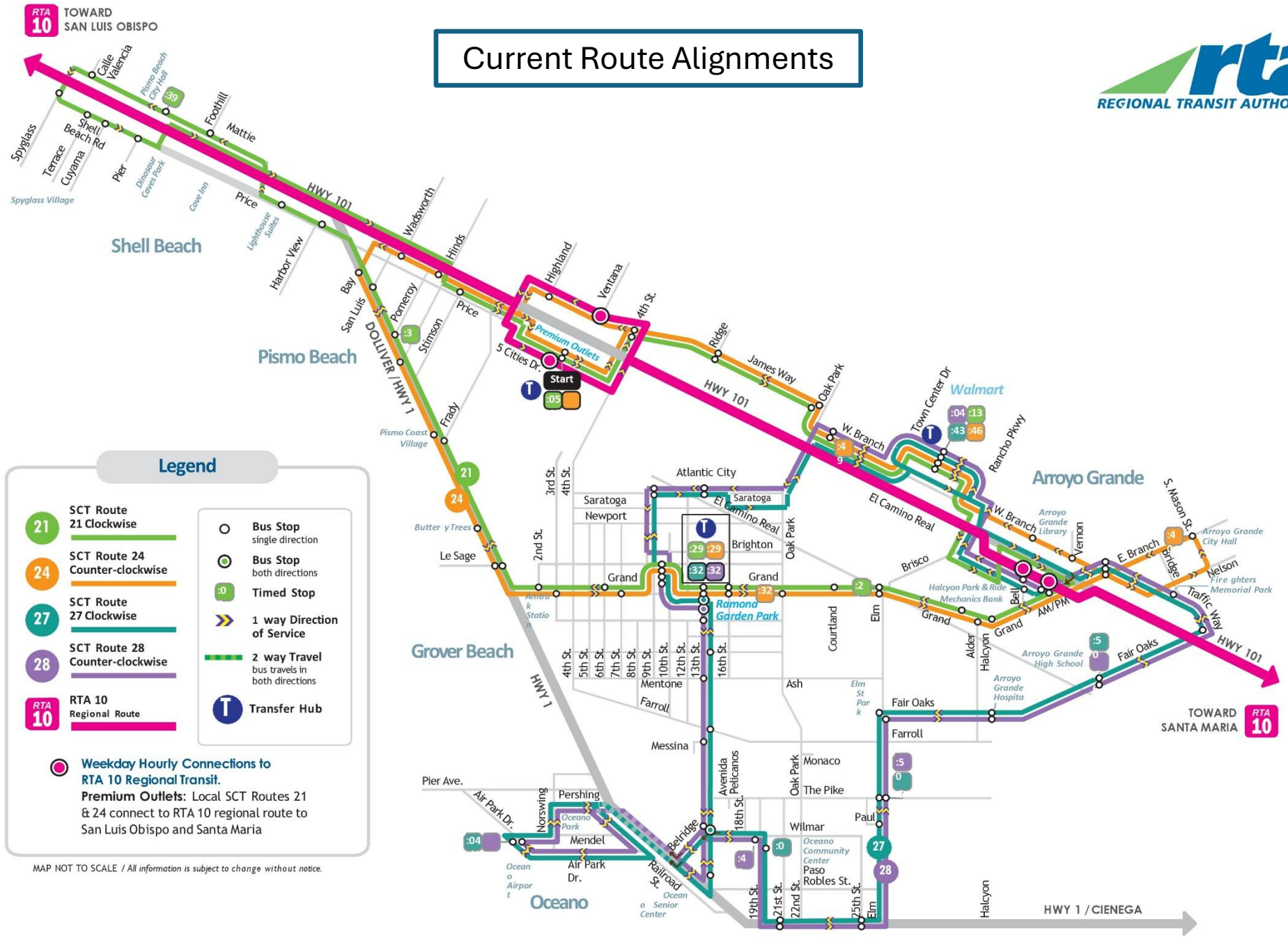
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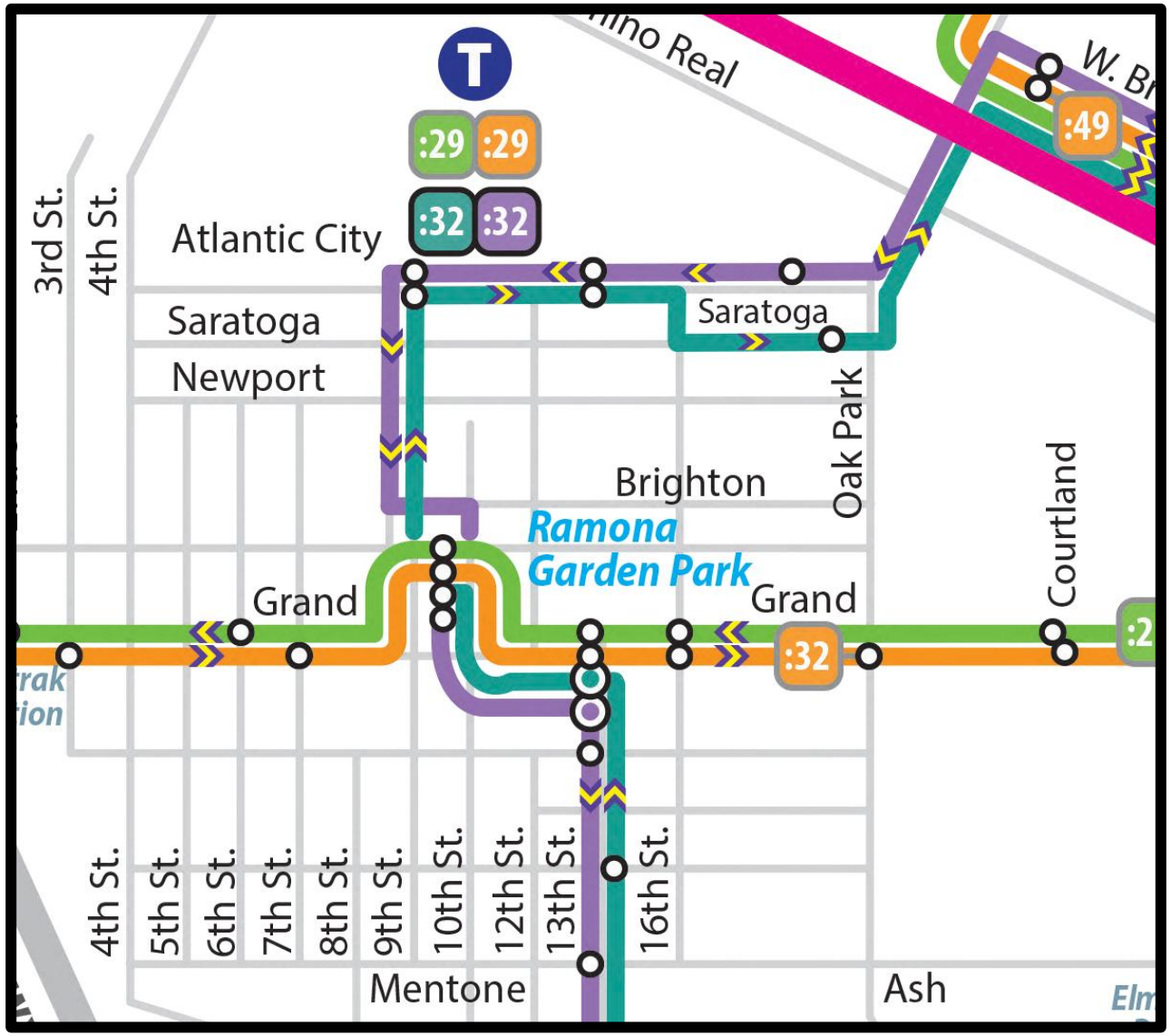

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Current Route Alignments



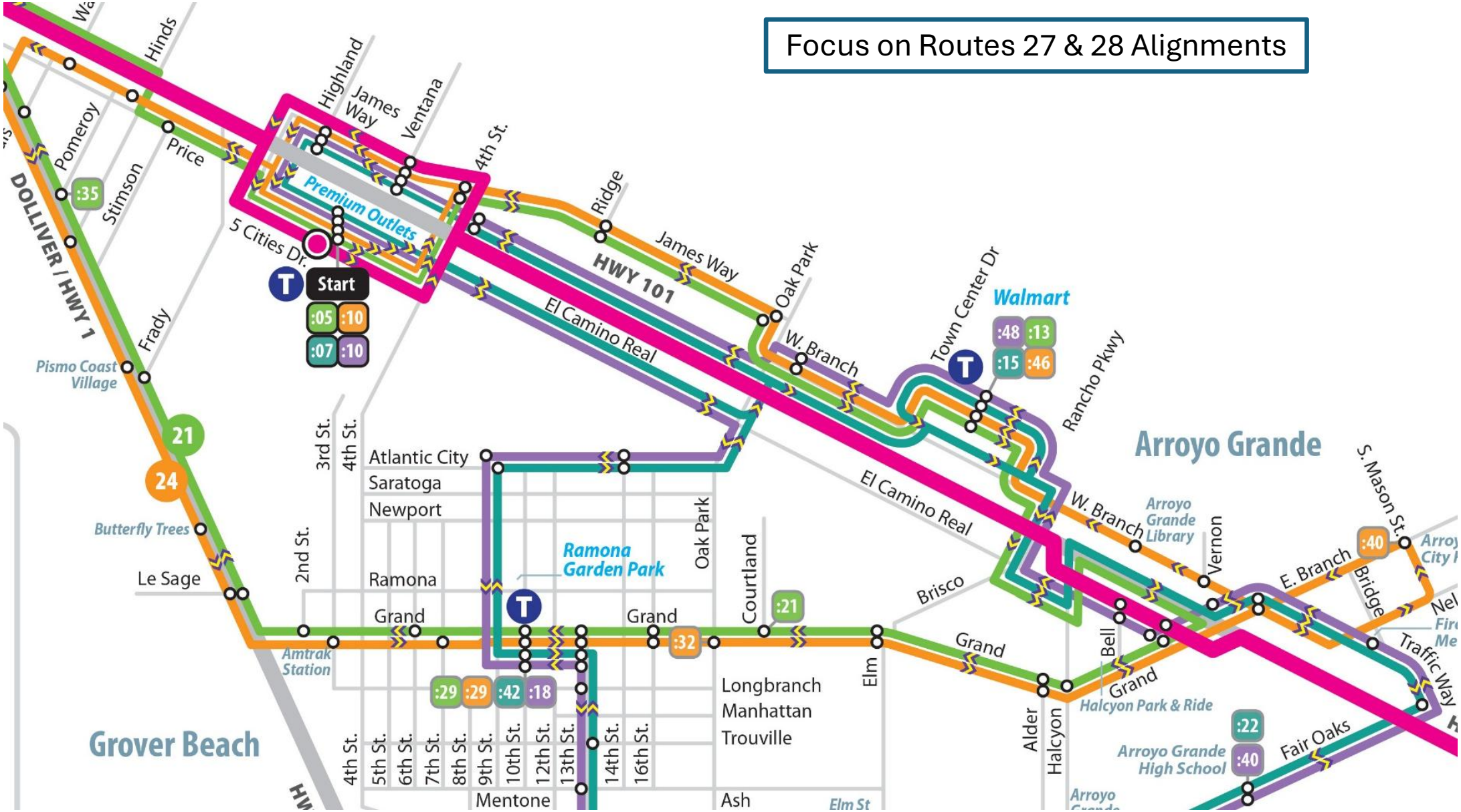
Current RGP Routing



Proposed New Route Alignments



Focus on Routes 27 & 28 Alignments



Impacts of the Recommended Realignment

- **Benefits**:
  - All transit vehicle layovers in a single consolidated facility
  - Provides timed-transfers among regional Routes 10N & 10S and local Routes 21, 24, 27 & 28
  - Increase overall ridership due to reduced overall travel times for riders connecting to regional routes

- **Drawbacks**:
  - Would increase annual miles by almost 36k, which increases annual operating costs by almost $77k

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Alternatives to Recommended Realignment

- Alt. 1: Routes 27 & 28 Layover at the Grover Beach Transit Station
  - Adds 10k miles & $22k in annual operating costs
  - Eliminates timed-transfers between the two route pairs
  - Still poor connections to regional Route 10
  - Isolated location could cause some personal safety concerns

- Alt. 2: Layover Rt. 27 at Walmart & Rt. 28 at Halcyon PnR
  - No additional operating cost
  - Eliminates timed-transfers between the two route pairs
  - Provides timed Route 10 connections

- Alt. 3: Eliminate Service to Oceano Airport

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Next Steps

- ❑ Consider public input on service changes
- ❑ Adopt Service Changes effective January 17, 2027
- ❑ RTA Board of Directors considers same action at November 4, 2026 public hearing
- ❑ Work with Grover Beach officials to remove passenger amenities at RGP and to install new bus stops on Grand Avenue

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Staff Recommendation

Adopt Service Changes effective January 17, 2027