



SamTrans Board of Directors

Meeting February 4, 2026

Correspondence as of January 9, 2026

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1. Public Comment: 13c - SamTrans Bus Stop Improvement Plan
2. Re: Safety concern for all road users – *Response to Staff response*
3. Re: Safety concern for all road users – *Staff response*
4. RE: Complaint - Bus Failed to Stop – *Staff response*

**From:** [Adina Levin](#)  
**To:** [Board \(@samtrans.com\)](#); [Public Comment](#)  
**Cc:** [Michaela Petrik](#)  
**Subject:** 13c - SamTrans Bus Stop Improvement Plan  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 7, 2026 12:44:31 PM

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Dear Board and Staff,

Thank you very much for the progress on the SamTrans Bus Stop Improvement Plan which will greatly improve the comfort and dignity of people using SamTrans around the county.

I wanted to make comment about a feature that will be helpful in some locations, that will make transit easier to use.

At bus stops served my multiple agencies, it would be helpful to have realtime signage showing the arrival time - not only for SamTrans buses but for the other agencies people are using.

Such multi-agency signs have most recently been rolled out in the North Bay, and were done in as part of a existing project in that project's budget.

<https://www.seamlessbayarea.org/blog/2026/1/6/smart-launches-multi-agency-signs-for-better-connections>

Thanks again for improving bus stops in San Mateo County.

Best,  
- Adina  
Adina Levin  
Seamless Bay Area  
<https://seamlessbayarea.org>  
650-646-4344

From: [Kevin](#)  
To: [SamTrans BOD Public Support Team](#)  
Subject: Safety concerns for all road users  
Date: Wednesday, December 5, 2018 4:31:37 PM

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Hi SamTrans BOD Public Support Team,

Called into the Jan 7th board meeting and was unable to get the timing right to read my public comment. Will my comments be included in the meetings minutes?

Thank you,

On Wed, Dec 24, 2018 at 1:26 PM SamTrans BOD Public Support <[SamTransBODPublicSupport@comcast.net](mailto:SamTransBODPublicSupport@comcast.net)> wrote:

To Kevin Kennedy,

Thank you for contacting SamTrans. We assure you that safety is a top priority at SamTrans, and we are very sorry to hear you have had such consistent issues with us that you have been left feeling intimidated—even threatened—by your experiences with our operators out on the road. However, we appreciate you taking the time to raise these concerns with us, including providing us with information of this most recent encounter. Know that your concerns and the information you provided us were forwarded to the proper parties for review. A copy of this correspondence will also be provided to our Board of Directors.

Please rest assured that SamTrans will make every effort to provide our community with safe and reliable transit service. To that end, thank you again for reaching out with your comments. We hope this will be the beginning of the end of such experiences for you and your fellow cyclists, but please do not hesitate to contact us again if you have further concerns, whether for this issue or otherwise.

Your SamTrans BOD Public Support Team

**From:** Kevin Kennedy <[kennedy@gmail.com](mailto:kennedy@gmail.com)>  
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Submitted report: 95518, previous 95528





Respectfully,

Kevin Rennie  
Menlo Park  
Private Citizen

Sent from my iPhone

Kevin Rennie  
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From: [SamTrans BOD Public Support](#)  
To: [Kevin Rennie](#)  
Subject: Re: Safety concern for all road users  
Date: Thursday, January 6, 2016 11:08:24 AM

Hi, Kevin.

To your question, that depends on when you had submitted your comment.

To be included in the Board's weekly correspondence reading file, it must be received by 2:00 PM the day before. For the week of the Board meeting, it must be received by 2:00 PM the day before the Board meeting.

If your comment meets either criteria, then it would be included in one of the documents of compiled correspondences to the SamTrans Board in the weeks leading up to the meeting in question. If your comment was made later than 2:00 PM the day before the meeting, though, there is no need to be concerned; our Board secretaries keep strict record of all correspondences received by the District intended for the Board—public comments, of course, included. Even if your comment cannot be attached to the January 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting due to being received too late, it will still be quite on time for the next meeting and be included with the other correspondences our Board will receive in the preceding weeks.

You SamTrans BOD Public Support Team

**From:** Board <[Board@samtrans.com](mailto:Board@samtrans.com)> **On Behalf Of** Kevin Rennie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 07, 2016 4:20 PM  
**To:** You SamTrans BOD Public Support <[SamTransBODPublicSupport@samtrans.com](mailto:SamTransBODPublicSupport@samtrans.com)>  
**Subject:** FW: Safety concern for all road users

**From:** Kevin Rennie <[kevin.rennie@meritmail.com](mailto:kevin.rennie@meritmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 6, 2016 11:08 AM (UTC-08:00) Mountain, Reykjavík  
**To:** SamTrans BOD Public Support <[SamTransBODPublicSupport@samtrans.com](mailto:SamTransBODPublicSupport@samtrans.com)>  
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**From:** [SamTrans BOD Public Support](#)  
**To:** [ellenbonagua@gmail.com](mailto:ellenbonagua@gmail.com)  
**Cc:** [Board \(@samtrans.com\)](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Complaint - Bus Failed to Stop  
**Date:** Thursday, January 8, 2026 11:51:22 AM

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To Elena,

Thank you for taking the time to bring this incident to our attention. This was forwarded to our Bus Operations team for investigation. A copy of this correspondence will also be provided to our Board of Directors.

To the matter at hand, our Bus Operations team has since reviewed the incident, and they have addressed this issue with the 292 operator. Bus Operations has also reinforced our expectations with this driver regarding his responsibility as public transit operator, which, of course, includes properly serving all stops on his route moving forward. And, on behalf of SamTrans, both Bus Operations and we would like to apologize for the poor experience you had with us.

We hope your travels with us since have been better experiences, but do not hesitate to reach out to us again if you have further comments or concerns.

Your SamTrans BOD Public Support Team

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**From:** Elena <[ellenbonagua@gmail.com](mailto:ellenbonagua@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 26, 2025 4:57 PM  
**To:** Public Comment <[publiccomment@samtrans.com](mailto:publiccomment@samtrans.com)>  
**Cc:** cacsecretary [@samtrans.com] <[cacsecretary@samtrans.com](mailto:cacsecretary@samtrans.com)>  
**Subject:** Complaint - Bus Failed to Stop

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Hello,

I would like to file a complaint regarding an incident that occurred today involving one of your buses.

I was waiting at the designated stop when the driver of the 292 southbound bus toward Hillsdale Mall approached but did not stop. The driver looked directly at us and continued driving, even though we were clearly standing at the stop and signaling to board. This caused significant inconvenience and delay.

Incident Details:

- Route: 292 Southbound — to Hillsdale Mall
- Stop ID: 335162
- Date: Today
- Time: 4:44 PM

Thank you for your attention to this matter