



Selkirks - Pend Oreille Transit Authority
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208-263-3774

Public Notice of *Regular Board* Meeting

11:00 a.m., Thursday, October 16, 2025
SPOT Office, 31656 Hwy 200, Suite 102, Ponderay, ID 83852
Zoom Meeting ID: 812 2523 0356
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Agenda

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Public comment period for items not on the agenda (including questions from the press)
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Action Item: Approve Minutes of the September 18, 2025, Public Hearing.
 - b. Action Item: Approve Minutes of the September 18, 2025, meeting.
4. Financial Reports
 - a. Action Item: Accept Financial Reports for September 2025
 - b. Action Item: Approve Payment of Prepaid Bills and Outstanding Bills
5. Staff Reports
 - a. Ridership
 - b. Operations
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Boundary County Service Development Committee
 - b. Finance Committee
 - c. Safety Advisory Committee
7. Action and Discussion Items:
 - a. Action/Discussion Item: Staffing considerations
 - i. Driver shortage
 - ii. Wage increase
 - iii. Christmas bonus
 - b. Action/Discussion Item: Grant applications 2026-2028
 - i. Service (5311)
 1. Existing Services
 - a. Three Fixed Routes - Bonner County
 - b. Two Demand/Paratransit - Bonner County
 - c. One Demand Route - Bonners Ferry
 2. Demand Service expansion
 - a. North Ponderay and North and West Sandpoint
 - b. Bonner County - Clark Fork/ Hope
 - c. Boundary County – Add Monday Service
 - ii. Capital/Asset Replacement (5339)
 1. Up to two Fixed Route buses each year 2026-2027 and 2027-2028
 2. Lighting/alerting for passengers at stops

- iii. Idaho State Liquor Dispensary application
- c. Action/Discussion/Consideration Item: Social media marketing and webpage refinement
- d. Action/Discussion/Consideration Item: Independent Contractor Agreement Schweitzer Mountain Route
- e. Discussion/Consideration/Action Item: New Bus Options
- f. Action/discussion Item: Financial considerations

8. Comments from the Chair and Board Members

9. Adjournment

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**MEETING MINUTES
SPOT**



**SELKIRK PEND OREILLE TRANSIT
September 18, 2025**

Nancy Lewis CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 11:07 A.M.

PRESENT: Colleen Culwell, Donna Griffin, Gary Kunzeman, Justin Dick, Nancy Lewis, Ron Smith, Wendy Trumble, Zale Palmer.

Not present: Clif Warren, Lester Pinkerton

PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED SPOT 2025-2026 BUDGET: No public present.

No public present. No action taken.

Public hearing closed at 11:09 a.m.

Public Comment Period: No comments.

MINUTES: Approve minutes of the August 21, 2025 regular meeting as submitted.

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2025 regular meeting as submitted. Zale Palmer/ Ron Smith. All in favor. Approved

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Accept August 2025 financial reports and approve payment of prepaid bills and outstanding bills.

Motion to accept August 2025 financial reports and to approve payment of prepaid bills and outstanding bills. Zale Palmer/ Justin Dick. All in favor. Approved

STAFF REPORTS:

Ridership: Donna Griffin reported SPOT participated in the Ponderay Days event. The ridership for the Fall Fest was better than last year. The services provided at the Boundary County Fair were well received and they are excited to have us back next year. The fixed route ridership is down significantly. Thinking that waiting an hour between buses may be too long to wait. Discussed doubling up on buses so they run every half hour, if we can find the drivers. We need some sort of system to notify the driver if there is someone waiting at the Dover bus stop and maybe at Ridly Village so driver doesn't spend time going to those stops. SPOT is receiving requests for service to the Food Bank and the Samuelson housing development.

Operations: Donna Griffin reported she has started on the application for the next grant cycle. We received a \$5,000 donation from a Boundary County resident. A driver failed a random drug test. They are working on the return to duty process required for a CDL before they can return to driving. They are going through the appeal process since it was due to CBD Gummies. The driver is helping out in the office when Wendy is covering their shifts, as needed. A couple of other drivers are out due to medical issues.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Boundary County Service Development Committee:** Nothing to report. Ridership is going well.
- B. Finance Committee:** Zale reported Charity Hagel from Edward Jones attended part of the Finance committee meeting. Current 3-month CD rate is 4.05% and their money market fund is 4.1%, which is variable. The money market fund has no fees, a \$250 minimum investment, but is not FDIC insured. It is backed by US Treasury Notes. The attorney says we have to follow the rules of the cities and will follow up into this.
- C. Safety Advisory Committee:** Not much to report. Already discussed the driver that failed the random drug test. Bus 225 is having the rear hub assembly replaced under warranty.

ACTION & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. Action Item: Adopt FY 2025-2026 Budget.** The proposed budget does include the mountain route as it has been operating. May need to amend the budget later depending on decisions regarding the future of that route or replacing it with a different one.
Motion to adopt the 2025-2026 budget as published. Zale Palmer/ Rom Smith. 4 in favor, 1 opposed. Approved.
- B. Action Item: Approve investment account at Edward Jones.** Discussed during the Finance Committee Report.
Motion to approve opening an investment account at Edward Jones pending legal analysis. Justin Dick/ Zale Palmer. All in favor. Approved.
- C. Action Item: Approve Alpine Summit CPA's Engagement Letter.**
Motion to approve Alpine Summit CPA's audit engagement letter. Zale Palmer/ Ron Smith. All in favor. Approved.
- D. Action Item: Update Resolution 03 – Prepayment of Certain Vendors.** Donna reviewed the updates made to the previous Resolution 03, adding and removing vendors from the list.
Motion to approved the updated Resolution 03 as presented. Zale Palmer/ Ron Smith. All in favor. Approved.
- E. Action Item: Social media marketing and webpage refinement.** Staff met with Keokee to discuss their proposal. Decided to use Like Media for more of the items. Keokee is to revise their proposal accordingly. Need to track ridership numbers before and after marketing starts.
No action taken – tabled.
- F. Action Item: Bonner County service and routing options.** Wendy is working on various routing options. Nothing to present at this time.
No action taken – tabled.
- G. Action Item: Financial considerations – State Insurance Fund – Workers Comp policy renewal.**
Motion to renew the workers comp policy. Zale Palmer/ Justin Dick. All in favor. Approved.
- H. Discussion/Consideration Item: Independent Contractor Agreement Schweitzer Mountain Route.** Will need to schedule a special meeting after October 3, 2025. Also need to meet with Schweitzer to discuss the issues from last season and possible changes to the operations.
No action taken – tabled.

Comments from the Chair and Board Members – Justin Dick reported he will not be running for re-election to City of Sandpoint Council. He will work with whichever commissioner that will be taking over his position on SPOT's board.

Meeting adjourned 12:40 p.m.

Selkirks-Pend Oreille Transit Authority
Summarized Balance Sheet
As of September 30, 2025

ASSETS	Bonner County	Boundary County	Total
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings	236,300.07	31,810.24	268,110.31
Accounts Receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grant Funds Receivable	124,328.50	8,293.00	132,621.50
Total Other Current Assets	60,142.40	3,434.60	63,577.00
Total Current Assets	420,770.97	43,537.84	464,308.81
Total Fixed Assets	1,708,625.56	72,702.87	1,781,328.43
TOTAL ASSETS	2,129,396.53	116,240.71	2,245,637.24
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities	27,025.80	1,814.87	28,840.67
Equity	2,102,370.73	114,425.84	2,216,796.57
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	2,129,396.53	116,240.71	2,245,637.24

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**Selkirks-Pend Oreille Transit Authority
Summary Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
September 2025**

	Bonner County		Boundary County		Mountain Route		Total	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Total Income	164,330.00	96,252.41	9,404.00	5,500.18	9,050.00	437.19	182,784.00	102,189.78
Expenses:								
Administration	14,543.60	14,376.95	668.98	1,100.97	787.15	546.49	15,999.73	16,024.41
Operations	74,494.99	98,229.50	6,971.68	6,687.59	14,518.76	0.00	95,985.43	104,917.09
Preventative Maintenance	4,233.20	7,270.37	0.00	404.49	14.23	0.00	4,247.43	7,674.86
Total Expenses	93,271.79	119,876.82	7,640.66	8,193.05	15,320.14	546.49	116,232.59	128,616.36
Net Ordinary Income	71,058.21	-23,624.41	1,763.34	-2,692.87	-6,270.14	-109.30	66,551.41	-26,426.58
Other Income/Expense	-124,045.79	-17,998.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-124,045.79	-17,998.66
Net Income	-52,987.58	-41,623.07	1,763.34	-2,692.87	-6,270.14	-109.30	-57,494.38	-44,425.24

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**Selkirks-Pend Oreille Transit Authority
Summary Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
October 2024-September 2025**

	Bonner County		Boundary County		Mountain Route		Total	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Total Income	1,206,109.24	2,103,361.51	69,830.00	66,308.90	292,691.00	280,869.80	1,568,630.24	2,450,540.21
Expenses:								
Administration	187,500.93	181,127.41	11,922.83	14,754.02	7,352.06	6,579.02	206,775.82	202,460.45
Operations	520,664.79	594,480.26	50,873.37	43,274.74	162,152.52	150,000.00	733,690.68	787,755.00
Preventative Maintenance	96,783.83	88,810.02	2,691.55	5,917.83	113,312.17	108,721.75	212,787.55	203,449.60
Total Expenses	804,949.55	864,417.69	65,487.75	63,946.59	282,816.75	265,300.77	1,153,254.05	1,193,665.05
Net Ordinary Income	401,159.69	1,238,943.82	4,342.25	2,362.31	9,874.25	15,569.03	415,376.19	1,256,875.16
Other Income/Expense	-459,202.13	-1,372,433.00	-366.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	-459,568.20	-1,372,433.00
Net Income	-58,042.44	-133,489.18	3,976.18	2,362.31	9,874.25	15,569.03	-44,192.01	-115,557.84

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Paid Bills Detail

As of September 30, 2025

	Type	Date	Num	Open Balance
Big Brand Tire & Service				
	Bill	09/19/2025	5003-7329134	1,443.90
Total Big Brand Tire & Service				1,443.90
Bonner County Daily Bee				
	Bill	09/04/2025	Budget notice	53.30
	Bill	09/11/2025	Budget notice	53.30
Total Bonner County Daily Bee				106.60
Coleman Oil				
	Bill	09/14/2025	CP-0305538	1,875.65
	Bill	09/21/2025	CP-0307416	1,725.84
	Bill	09/28/2025	CP-0308309	1,638.08
Total Coleman Oil				5,239.57
III-A Trust				
	Bill	09/20/2025	Oct insurance	2,346.00
Total III-A Trust				2,346.00
Mike White Ford of CDA				
	Bill	09/17/2025	48848	441.44
	Bill	09/23/2025	49084	59.78
	Bill	09/25/2025	49145	59.78
	Bill	09/25/2025	49110	68.82
Total Mike White Ford of CDA				629.82
Napa Auto Parts				
	Bill	09/08/2025	247736	66.17
	Bill	09/22/2025	249763	32.02
Total Napa Auto Parts				98.19
Pressure Clean Services, Inc.				
	Bill	09/15/2025	18845	160.00
	Bill	09/22/2025	18860	80.00
	Bill	09/29/2025	18875	200.00
Total Pressure Clean Services, Inc.				440.00
Zipty Fiber				
	Bill	09/22/2025		260.38
Total Zipty Fiber				260.38
Zipty Fiber - BF				
	Bill	09/13/2025		39.05
Total Zipty Fiber - BF				39.05
TOTAL				10,603.51

Selkirks-Pend Oreille Transit Authority
Paid Bills Detail
As of October 10, 2025

	Type	Date	Num	Open Balance
AT&T Mobility				
	Bill	09/23/2025	10012025	369.70
Total AT&T Mobility				369.70
Bonner County Daily Bee				
	Bill	09/24/2025	budget notice	69.57
Total Bonner County Daily Bee				69.57
Brown's Northside Machine & Gear, Inc.				
	Bill	10/08/2025	W 51233	115.50
	Bill	10/08/2025	W 51971	750.24
Total Brown's Northside Machine & Gear, Inc.				865.74
Coleman Oil				
	Bill	09/30/2025	CP-0311401	240.96
	Bill	10/05/2025	CP-0314115	1,194.80
Total Coleman Oil				1,435.76
First Bankcard				
	Bill	09/29/2025		1,370.65
Total First Bankcard				1,370.65
Mountain Ledgers				
	Bill	09/30/2025	8464	800.00
Total Mountain Ledgers				800.00
Pressure Clean Services, Inc.				
	Bill	10/06/2025	18888	200.00
Total Pressure Clean Services, Inc.				200.00
Spokane Testing Solutions				
	Bill	09/28/2025	19584	265.00
Total Spokane Testing Solutions				265.00
TOTAL				5,376.42

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Selkirks-Pend Oreille Transit Authority
Unpaid Bills Detail
As of October 10, 2025

Type	Date	Num	Open Balance
Donna Griffin			
Bill	09/05/2025	PT Summit reimb.	328.40
Total Donna Griffin			328.40
Keokee			
Bill	09/22/2025	67982	1,017.50
Total Keokee			1,017.50
Melody Muffler			
Bill	10/08/2025	1003	290.84
Total Melody Muffler			290.84
Northern Lakes Chiropractic Clinic PC			
Bill	09/16/2025	534	175.00
Bill	10/07/2025	539	175.00
Total Northern Lakes Chiropractic Clinic PC			350.00
TOTAL			1,986.74



SELKIRKS PEND OREILLE TRA
DONNA M GRIFFIN
Account number ending in 2396
For billing cycle ending 09/29/2025

New Balance	Minimum Payment	Payment Due
\$1,370.65	\$35.00	10/25/2025

Your Account Summary	
Previous Balance	\$1,125.95
Payments	-\$1,125.95
Other Credits	\$0.00
Purchases	\$1,370.65
Balance Transfers	\$0.00
Cash Advances	\$0.00
Fees Charged	\$0.00
Interest Charged	\$0.00
New Balance	\$1,370.65
Statement Closing Date	09/29/25
Days in Billing Cycle	32
Total Credit Limit	\$10,000.00
Available Credit	\$8,629.00
Cash Limit	\$2,000.00
Available Cash	\$2,000.00

Your Payment Information	
New Balance	\$1,370.65
Minimum Payment Due	\$35.00
Past Due Amount	\$0.00
Payment Due Date	10/25/2025

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New Balance	Minimum Payment	Payment Due
\$1,370.65	\$35.00	10/25/2025

Amount Enclosed: \$

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DONNA M GRIFFIN
31656 HIGHWAY 200
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- Be sure to obtain a cancellation number when canceling lodging/reservations.
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DONNA M GRIFFIN
Account number ending in 2396
Transactions for billing cycle ending 09/29/25

CURRENT POINT BALANCE

74,476

You earn 5 points per \$1 spent on qualifying Business Expense up to \$15,000 during a period of 12 billing cycles. After \$15,000, earn 1 point per \$1 spent. 2 points per \$1 spent on qualifying Gas and Dining Purchases up to \$25,000 during a period of 12 billing cycles. After \$25,000, earn 1 point per \$1 spent, and 1 point per \$2 spent on other purchases.

Point activity summary for the period covered by this statement:

1,126 Regular points earned this month
1,115 Business Expense points earned this month
44 Gas and Dining points earned this month
0 Bonus points earned this month
2,285 Total points earned this month
0 Points redeemed this month
74,476 Current point balance

Points that will be expiring on your next statement closing date: 0

Keep using your card to increase your rewards total. The more you purchase, the more rewards you earn!

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TRANSACTION DETAIL

Transactions

Trans Date	Post Date	Reference Number	Transaction Description	Credits (CR) and Debits
09-01	09-02	24204295244001423264047 2	Google GSUTTE_sptbus.org 650-2530000 CA	\$33.60
09-02	09-03	24793385245000020645025 7	Indeed US125-05007668 800-4625842 TX	\$46.00
09-05	09-08	24275395250900019995308	THE RIVERSIDE HOTEL GARDEN CITY ID	\$647.49
09-05	09-08	24625465250900011231501	SPOKANE INTERNATIONAL AIR SPOKANE WA	\$28.00
09-05	09-08	24164075248060216158717 5	ENTERPRISE RENT-A-CAR BOISE ID	\$219.47
09-05	09-08	24941665249202582696147	STINKER # 107 BOISE ID	\$21.83
09-06	09-08	24692165249100383889741 2	HP "INSTANT INK 855-785-2777 CA	\$79.49
09-10	09-12	24164075254105442189878	STAPLES 00105726 PONDERAY ID	\$17.48
09-10	09-12	24164075254105442189886	STAPLES 00105726 PONDERAY ID	\$29.29
09-11	09-12	24226385255014309121933	WAL-MART #2485 PONDERAY ID	\$61.93
09-13	09-15	24011345256100203365007 2	ZOOM.COM 888-799-9666 ZOOM.US CA	\$16.99
09-14	09-16	24692165258108032580395	THE HOME DEPOT 1810 PONDERAY ID	\$80.08
09-16	09-16	74418005259027555090381	PAYMENT - THANK YOU	\$1,125.95 CR
09-23	09-24	24064665267100940653221 2	BONNER COUNTY EDC WWW.BONNERCOU ID	\$89.00

Transactions

Trans Date	Post Date	Reference Number	Transaction Description	Credits (CR) and Debits
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Fees Charged

Total Fees for this period

\$0.00

Interest Charged

Interest Charge on Purchases

\$0.00

Interest Charge on Cash Advances

\$0.00

Interest Charge on Balance Transfers

\$0.00

Total Interest for this Period

\$0.00

Charge Summary Your Annual Percentage Rate (APR) is the annual interest rate on your account (v) Variable rate (f) Fixed rate

	Annual Percentage Rate (APR)	Special Offer or Eligible Purchases APR Expiration Date	Balance Subject to Interest Rate	Days Rate Used	Interest Charge
Purchases	24.24% (v)	NA	\$1,631.51	32	\$0.00
Cash Advance	29.49% (v)	NA	\$0.00	32	\$0.00

2025 Total Year-to-Date

Total Fees Charged in 2025

\$0.00

Total Interest Charged in 2025

\$0.00

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SPOT Agenda Item Summaries

Meeting Date: October 16, 2025

Agenda Item: 7a.

From: Donna Griffin

Topic: Staffing considerations

Background: Consider staff shortage information. Discuss and possibly approve option(s).

Consider projected COLA increase. Please see the attached article. Discuss information and possibly approve 2025-2026 wage increase and bonus.

Meeting Date: October 16, 2025

Agenda Item: 7b.

From: Donna Griffin

Topic: Grant applications

Background: Many grant applications are due in November and December 2025. Please see the list below and discuss adding or subtracting projects. Provide guidance on the following grant application topics October 2026-September 2028.

- i. Service (5311)
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Meeting Date: October 16, 2025

Agenda Item: 7c.

From: Justin Dick, Donna Griffin

Topic: Social media marketing and webpage refinement.

Background: Consider, provide feedback and approve Social Media Marketing and SPOT Webpage additions proposal.

Meeting Date: October 16, 2025

Agenda Item: 7d.

From: Donna Griffin

Topic: Independent Contractor Agreement Schweitzer Mountain Route

Background: Consider updated information and the agreement.

Meeting Date: October 16, 2025

Agenda Item: 7e.

From: Donna Griffin

Topic: New Bus Options

Background: SMART Bus (mistakenly) ordered several 25.8 foot Turtle Top Terra Transit buses instead of 22 foot long buses. The new buses arrive around the end of the month. SMART bus is looking for options including trade and purchase.

We are also looking into a low floor option bus for fixed routes.

Meeting Date: October 16, 2025

Agenda Item: 7f.

From: Donna Griffin

Topic: Financial considerations

Background: Discuss financial considerations

Boundary County SPOT Bus Ridership September 2025

DATE	MON	TUE	WED	Bonner County THURS	w/ Moyie FRI	TOTAL
9/1/2025	0	12	7	26	15	60
9/7/2025	0	15	4	26	11	56
9/14/2025	0	5	14	22	4	45
9/21/2025	0	11	14	22	9	56
9/28/2025	0	22	0	0	0	22

**September
Total**

0 65 39 96 39 239

Boundary County to Ponderay & Sandpoint = 96

Local (65+39+39) = 143

Total = 239

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9/7/2025	0	1	9	6	23	26	49
9/14/2025	0	0	14	6	21	22	43
9/21/2025	0	0	18	4	32	22	54
9/28/2025	0	0	6	0	22	0	22

**September
Total**

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SPOT Ridership

2025	Bonner Co. Fixed	Bonner Co. Paratransit	Boundary Co. Demand	Mountain Route	Total
25-Jan	5,087	629	223	23,735	29,674
25-Feb	4,315	575	188	22,091	27,169
25-March	4,716	568	222	15,863	21,369
25-April	4,035	616	310	4,039	9,000
25-May	4,226	575	335	0	5,136
25-June	4,153	677	288	0	5,118
25-July	6,300	667	333	430	7,730
25-August	5,332	639	332	2,070	8,373
25 Sept	3,725	700	239	277	4,941
Totals to Date	41,889	5,662	2,470	68,505	118,526

2024	Fixed	Para	Boundary Co.	Mountain	Total
24-Jan	6,304	474	153	20,659	27,590
24-Feb	6,378	569	170	20,925	28,042
24-March	5,961	580	232	15,169	21,942
24-April	4,657	667	200	3,807	9,331
24-May	4,454	621	237	0	5,312
24-June	4,014	668	198	0	4,880
24-July	5,851	587	191	338	6,967
24-August	6,548	604	218	560	7,930
24-Sept	4,198	606	191	1,428	6,423
24-Oct	4,216	708	200	0	5,124
24-Nov	3,983	559	153	5,068	9,763
24-Dec	4,580	484	162	24,384	29,610
2024 Totals	61,144	7,127	2,305	92,338	162,914

2023	Fixed	Para	Boundary Co.	Mountain	Total
23-Jan	4672	563	230	22489	27954
23-Feb	4200	509	204	19502	24415
23-March	4835	600	261	19601	25297
23 April	4197	477	152	4612	9438
23 May	4489	548	139	0	5176
23 June	4199	565	190	0	4,954
23 July	5986	489	129	628	7232
23 August	6820	536	216	0	7572
23 September	4231	547	149	2810	7737
23 October	4185	511	152	0	4848
23 November	4079	565	145	1214	6003
23 December	5558	434	137	15,078	21207
2023 Totals	57,451	6,344	2,104	85,934	151,833

2022	Fixed	Para	Boundary Co.	Mountain	Total
22-Aug	5132	596	217		5945
22-Sep	3888	545	223	2419	7075
22-Oct	4027	509	179		4715
22-Nov	3577	498	195	1815	6085
22-Dec	3776	478	237	21208	25699
2022 Totals	48,215	5,993	2,418	79,627	136, 253

Government shutdown delays Social Security's cost-of-living announcement. Here's what to know.

By Aimee Picchi

October 14, 2025 / 3:59 PM EDT / CBS News

The Social Security Administration's annual announcement setting next year's cost-of-living adjustment, or COLA, will be delayed because of the government shutdown, the agency said.

Each year, the Social Security Administration adjusts benefits for its 75 million recipients based on recent inflation data, which ensures that seniors, disabled Americans and other beneficiaries don't lose purchasing power as prices rise.

Social Security had planned to announce the new COLA on Oct. 15, the same day the Labor Department was scheduled to release September Consumer Price Index data, a key measure of inflation. The COLA is determined by inflation figures for the third quarter, which covers July through September.

With much of the government's economic data on hold until Congress approves federal funding, the Bureau of Labor Statistics now plans to release its latest CPI figures on Oct. 24, about nine days later than planned. The Social Security Administration told CBS News it plans to issue its COLA announcement that same day.

"The Bureau of Labor Statistics has announced they will issue the September 2025 Consumer Price Index on October 24," the Social Security Administration said in an Oct. 14 email. "The Social Security Administration will use this release to generate and announce the 2026 cost-of-living adjustment on October 24 as well."

The new COLA will take effect starting Jan. 1, 2026, without any delays due to the ongoing shutdown, the agency added.

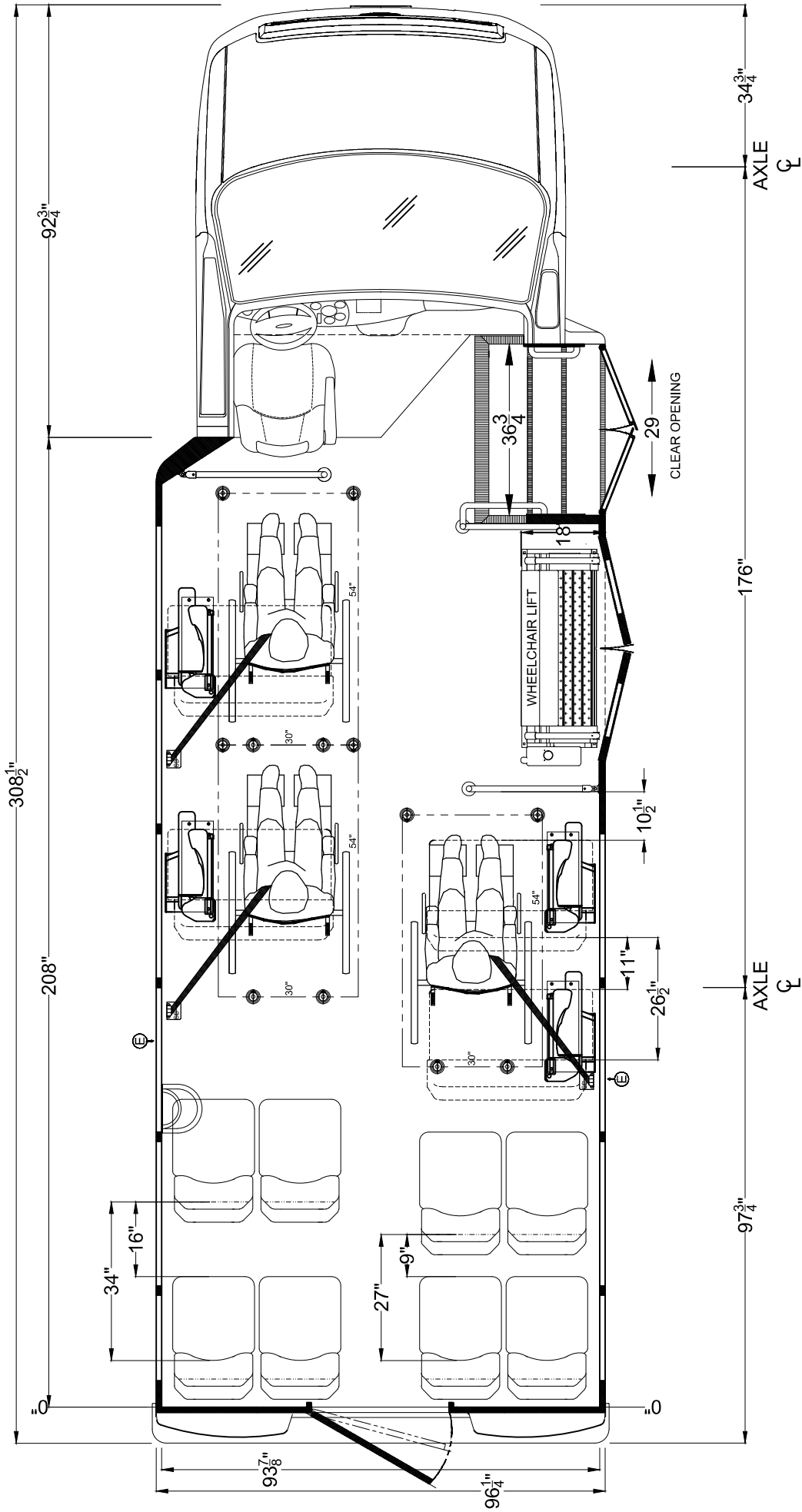
How much of a living adjustment? According to an estimate published last month by the Senior Citizens League, the annual COLA for 2026 could be around 2.7%, slightly higher than the 2.5% increase beneficiaries received in 2025.

The League, an advocacy group for older Americans, based its most recent projection on August inflation data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Because the SSA will also include September inflation data in its COLA rate, that number could change when it's announced later this month.

AARP, another advocacy group for older people, expects the 2026 COLA to range from 2.6% to 2.9%. A 2.7% boost in benefits would lift the average monthly payment for retired workers by \$54, from \$2,008 to \$2,062.

The Federal Reserve forecasts that the Personal Consumption Expenditures price index, its favored measure of inflation, will rise to 3.1% this year before receding to 2.6% in 2026.

Edited by Alain Sherter



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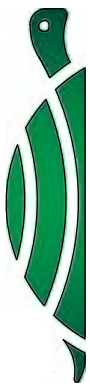
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