

FINAL MINUTES

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
 SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS EMERGENCIES AND MONTEREY COUNTY
 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE JOINT POWERS AGENCY

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

*Members: Ed Smith (Chair),
 Mary Adams (1st Vice Chair), Michael LeBarre (2nd Vice Chair),
 Luis Alejo (Past Chair),
 Chris Lopez (County representative), Kimbley Craig (City representative)*

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

*** 8:30 a.m. ***

REMOTE VIDEO/PHONE CONFERENCE ONLY

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	FEB 21	MAR 21	APR 21	MAY 21	JUN 21	AUG 21	SEP 21	OCT 21	NOV 21	JAN 22
Ed Smith, Chair Monterey (D. Albert, A. Renny)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Mary Adams, 1st Vice Chair Supr. Dist. 5 (S. Hardgrave, C. Courtney)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Michael LeBarre, 2nd Vice Chair King City (C. DeLeon)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Luis Alejo, Past Chair Supr. Dist. 1 (L. Gonzales/ J. Gomez)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	E
Chris Lopez, County Representative Supr. Dist. 2 (P. Barba)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	E	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Kimbley Craig, City Representative (C. Cromeenes)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)

TC: via teleconference; VC: via video conference

P = Present

A = Absent

P(A) = alternate present

E = Excused

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

Staff present: Goel, Guther, Muck, Rodriguez, Watson, Wright, and Zeller.

Others present: Agency Counsel Katherine Hansen, Colleen Courtney, District 5, Paul Schlesinger and Jim Davenport of Thorn Run Partners, and Gus Khouri of Khouri Consulting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comment.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

M/S/C
Lopez/Adams/unanimous

On a motion by Committee Member Lopez, seconded by Committee Member Adams, the Committee voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of November 3, 2021.

4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

On a motion by Committee Member LeBarre, seconded by Committee Member Adams, the Committee voted 5-0 to recommend the Board of Directors adopt the final 2022 legislative program. The Committee received an update on state and federal legislative issues.

Christina Watson, Director of Planning, reviewed the final legislative program, highlighting four changes from the draft program presented in October.

Paul Schlesinger and Jim Davenport, Agency federal legislative analysts, reported on federal legislative activities, noting that the infrastructure bill was enacted and signed last year, which represents a significant increase in highway and transit spending. Mr. Schlesinger reported that earmarks were not included in the final bill, noting that Senator Padilla had submitted TAMC's request for \$2 million for the US 101 South of Salinas project in the transportation appropriations bill that is still in development.

Gus Khouri, Agency state legislative analyst, reported on state legislative activities, noting that the Governor will release the fiscal year 22/23 state budget on January 10, 2022. Mr. Khouri indicated the budget will likely include an emphasis on public transportation.

5. TRANSPORTATION EXCELLENCE AWARDS

On a motion by Committee Member Lopez seconded by Committee member LeBarre, the Committee voted 5 -0 to receive the nominations for the nineteenth annual Transportation Agency Excellence awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups, or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County; and selected award recipients for the nineteenth awards ceremony to be held during the January 26, 2022, Transportation Agency Board meeting.

Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator, presented the nominations for the 2021 Excellence Awards.

6. FORT ORD REGIONAL TRAIL AND GREENWAY - FEDERAL LANDS ACCESS PROGRAM GRANT

On a motion by Committee Member Adams, seconded by Committee Member Lopez, the Committee voted 5 -0 to receive update on the Agency's Federal Lands Access Program grant application submitted for the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project; and recommend the Board of Directors ratify payment of the additional \$28,000 for the scoping review at its January 26, 2022, meeting.

Michael Zeller, Director of Programming and Project Delivery, reported that Agency staff submitted a Federal Lands Access Program grant application for a segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project. The proposed project will provide a multi-use recreational trail in Marina, between Imjin Parkway/Imjin Road connecting to the Jerry Smith Trailhead. On November 24, 2021, the Agency received notification from FHWA that the project was short-listed for a detailed review of the scope of work, costs, and schedule for the final decision on project funding, likely to be in the fall 2022. To accept the terms and move forward with the scoping review, the Agency is required to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with FHWA and pay for the costs of the scoping review by January 21, 2022. Agency staff received Board authorization to take these next steps with the action taken on April 28, however the actual cost of the scoping review is \$38,000, rather than the approved \$10,000. Since the agreement and payment of costs are due prior to the next Transportation Agency Board meeting, Agency staff requested that the Executive Committee recommend staff execute the agreement and payment of costs to secure the project in the final round of review, and request that the Board ratify this action at the January 26, 2022, meeting.

7. TAMC BOARD DRAFT AGENDA

Executive Director Todd Muck reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of January 26, 2022.

After Executive Committee discussion, direction was provided to staff to place the following items for consideration on the regular agenda:

- Employee of the Quarter
- Election of Officers
- Legislative update and final 2022 Program
- Transportation Nineteenth Annual Excellence Awards
- Draft 2022 Regional Transportation Plan Public Hearing

Chair Smith asked that Director Muck highlight consent items 3.4.3 & 3.4.6.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Executive Director Todd Muck announced that Rita Goel, Director of Finance and Administration, would be transitioning to her retirement starting in July, but will stay on part time in the Human Resource Department. He noted that TAMC will be recruiting for a Finance Director soon. Rita Goel noted that she would make sure it was a smooth transition.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:53 a.m.