

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS AND EXPRESSWAYS
MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE
JOINT POWERS AGENCY
FINAL MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2019 TAMC BOARD MEETING
HELD AT THE
Agricultural Center Conference Room
1428 ABBOTT STREET, SALINAS

TAMC BOARD MEMBERS	APR 18	MAY 18	JUN 18	AUG 18	SEP 18	OCT 18	DEC 18	JAN 19	FEB 19	MAR 19
L. Alejo, Supr. Dist. 1, 1st Vice Chair (L. Gonzales ; J. Gomez)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P	P
J. Phillips, Supr. Dist. 2, Past Chair (J. Stratton)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
C. Lopez, Supr. Dist. 3 (P. Barba)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P*	P	P
J. Parker, Supr. Dist. 4 (W. Askew)	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P
M. Adams, Supr. Dist 5 (Y. Anderson)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)
D. Potter, Carmel-by-the-Sea (J. Barrpn)	P	P	E	E	P	P	P	P*	P	P
A. Kerr, Del Rey Oaks (P. LIntell)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	P	P
M. Orozco, Gonzales (L. Worthy)	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
A.Untalon, Greenfield (A. Tipton)	-	P	P	-	P	-	P	P*	P	P
M. LeBarre, King City (C. DeLeon)	P	E	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
B. Delgado, Marina (F. O'Connell)	P	P(A)	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)
E. Smith, Monterey, 2nd Vice Chair (A. Renny)	P	P	P(A)	P	-	P	P	P	-	E
R. Huit, Pacific Grove, Chair (N. Smith , D. Gho)	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
S. Davis, Salinas (C.Cromeenes)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P*	P	P
Gregory Hawthorne, Sand City (J. Blackwelder)	E	P	E	E	-	P(A)	-	-	-	P
I. Oglesby, Seaside (D. Pacheco)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P*	P	P
A. Chavez, Soledad (F. Ledesma)	-	-	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P
M. Twomey, AMBAG (H. Adamson; B. Patel , S. Vienna)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P
T. Gubbins, Caltrans, Dist. 5 (A. Loe , O. Monroy Ochoa , J. Olejnik.)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)
R. Stedman, Monterey Bay Air Resources District (A. Romero , D. Frisbey)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	-	P	-	P(A)	P
B. Sabo, Monterey Peninsula Airport District	P	P	-	P	-	P	-	P	-	P
C. Sedoryk, Monterey-Salinas Transit (H. Harvath; L. Rheinheimer)	P	P(A)	P	P	P	-	P	P(A)	P	P
T. Coffman-Gomez, Watsonville (L. Hurst)	-	P	P	E	P	-	P	P*	-	P
E. Ochoa, CSUMB (A. Lewis , L. Samuels)	P(A)	-	-	P(A)	P (A)	P	-	-	-	-

TAMC STAFF	MAR 18	APR 18	MAY 18	JUN 18	AUG 18	SEP 18	OCT 18	JAN 19	FEB 19	MAR 19
S. Castillo, Transportation Planner	-	-	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P
D. Delfino, Finance Officer/Analyst	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Deal, Principal Engineer	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Goel, Dir. Finance & Administration	P	P	P	P	E	E	E	P	P	E
A. Green, Assoc. Transportation Planner	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
D. Hale, Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Muck, Deputy Executive Director	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
K. Reimann, Legal Counsel	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
E. Rodriguez, Senior Admin. Assistant	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
L. Terry, Accountant Assistant	E	E	E	E	E	E	P	E	P	E
C. Watson, Principal Trans. Planner	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
L. Williamson, Senior Trans. Engineer	-	-	-	-	-	P	P	P	P	P
T. Wright, Community Outreach	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
M. Zeller, Principal Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

OTHERS PRESENT

Mario Romo	Access Monterey Peninsula	Jayne Smith	SOS 101 Traffic Safety Alliance
Justin Riedmiller	Access Monterey Peninsula	Claire Dias	SOS 101 Traffic Safety Alliance
David Cardoza	Access Monterey Peninsula	Fernando Munoz	Public

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Huitt called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Board member Scott Davis led the pledge of allegiance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jayne Smith, Claire Dias - US 101 Traffic Safety Alliance. The Alliance has received support from all 5 county supervisors, Caltrans, Monterey County Farm Bureau, and Grower-Shippers of the Central Coast. Invited to attend quarterly meetings with Assemblymember Rivas and California Highway Patrol. She thanked TAMC.

Voice mail from Butch Lindley: Personally witnessed a big-rig make a U-turn at Spence Road. Caltrans can you add a “No U Turn sign” at Spence Road at US 101?

3. CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Phillips/Lopez/unanimous
The Board approved the consent agenda.

ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET

- 3.1.1** Approved minutes of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, the Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways, and the Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency for Monterey County meeting of February 27, 2019, 2019.
- 3.1.2** Accepted the list of checks written for February 2019 and credit card statements for the month of January 2019.
- 3.1.3** Received report on conferences or trainings attended by agency staff.
- 3.1.4** Regarding small purchases Procurement and Approval Thresholds:
1. Adopted a resolution amending procurement policies to streamline procedures for contacting for professional services valued at \$50,000 or less;
 2. Increased the Executive Director's purchasing authority for both goods and services to \$50,000 in light of new Measure X and other project delivery activities, and
 3. Directed the Executive Director to include a quarterly report identifying any contracts valued at \$50,000 and under, entered into in the preceding quarter.
- 3.1.5** Director Hale noted a correction to item 3.1.5 "TAMC received former Fort Ord property via Economic Development Conveyance, not Public Benefit Conveyance as stated in the staff report". Received an update on Fort Ord Property Management efforts and amended the Agency's fiscal 2018/19 budget to add \$100,000 from Monterey Branch Line lease revenues to cover property management and related expenses.

BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES

- 3.2.1** Approved the appointment of Elizabeth Sofer to serve as the Sand City main representative on the TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee.
- 3.2.2** Approved the appointment of Abby L. Ostovar to serve as the City of Monterey main representative on the TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee.
- 3.2.3** Adopted Resolution 2019-04 designating the Transportation Agency's allocation of \$818,655 of FY 2018/19 Low Carbon Transit Operation funds to the Monterey Salinas Transit District for free fares on the weekends on routes that serve the disadvantaged communities in Salinas, free summer passes for youth living in disadvantaged communities, free fares for Hartnell College students, procurement and installation of a mobile fare payment system, and reserving a portion of the funds to be combined with future grant funding to purchase and electric bus.
- 3.2.4** Regarding Bicycle Secure Program Grant Applications:
1. Approved funding of all 2019 Bike Secure applications;
 2. Approved opening the program for additional applications this calendar year; and
 3. Authorized the Executive Director to allocate surplus Bike Secure Program money to fund additional applications this calendar year.

PLANNING

3.3.1 No items this month.

PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING

3.4.1 No items this month.

RAIL PROGRAM

3.5.1 Authorized the Executive Director to accept demolition work by Bowen Engineering and Environmental and file a Notice of Completion for work performed under contract no.6803.4SAL.20.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE

3.6.1 No items this month.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

3.7.1 Received Transportation Agency for Monterey County correspondence for March 2019.

3.7.2 Accepted draft minutes from Transportation Agency committees:

- Technical Advisory Committee – March 7, 2019
 - Rail Policy Committee – March 4, 2019
 - Executive Committee – March 6, 2019
 - Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee – March 6, 2019
 - Excellent Transportation Oversight Committee (xTOC) – January 15, 2019
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4. CLOSED SESSION

The Board held a closed session pursuant to Government Code section §54956.9 (d)(1), the Board will confer with legal counsel regarding existing litigation:

1. TAMC v. Olga Chisum, et al., Court Number 17CV001194
2. TAMC v. MWM Investments, Court Number 17CV001231

Reconvened: Agency Counsel Reiman reported that the TAMC Board met and gave direction to legal counsel and there was no action taken.

5. TAMC PHOTO

The Board took a group photo.

6. STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

M/S/C Potter/Kerr/unanimous

The Board received an update on State and federal legislative activities and adopted positions on legislation.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that Congress finally negotiated a budget for Fiscal Year 2019, to fund the federal government through September 30, 2019. Meanwhile, in his "State of the State" address, Governor Newsom announced his intention to complete the Central Valley (Bakersfield to Merced) portion of the High Speed Rail project and the sections at the "bookends" known as "blended services" (Caltrain in the San Francisco Bay Area and Metrolink in Southern California). Ms. Watson noted the key issues discussed during the Central Coast Coalition trip to Sacramento included the nexus between transportation and housing, given that 2019 is shaping up to be the year of housing. Other issues of concern include the push to have greenhouse gas emission reductions count more than safety or congestion relief in funding programs, and a push to change the distribution of some grant programs to be more formulaic.

Board member Parker commented that TAMC should consider becoming more involved in working locally on the intersection of housing and transportation.

Chair Huitt lauded Agency legislative analyst Gus Khouri for his impressive ability to set up a series of productive meetings.

Public Comment:

Fernando Munoz, resident, commented that he does not support an expensive bike path, stating that 99% of the people drive; he asked if TAMC could instead use the money for Blanco, Imjin, or Highway 1 in Moss Landing; he also stated that East Garrison is inhabited by people working in San Jose, stating that housing is too expensive; he also said that Castroville Road needs repair.

7. **MEASURE X SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL UPDATE**

The Board received an update on the Measure X Safe Routes to School Program.

Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner reported the Measure X Safe Routes to School program provides a consistent source of funding over the next 30 years; approximately \$667,000 annually, or \$20 Million over the 30-year life of Measure X. The Measure X Safe Routes to School program funds projects and programs that improve children's health by making walking and bicycling safer and easier. She announced staff will be holding Pop-Up demonstrations in Seaside and Marina this May. The pop-ups will allow members of the community to experience temporary protected bike lanes, curb extensions and crosswalks. The Seaside pop-up will be located in front of MLK Jr. School of the Arts on Broadway Ave between Mescal St and Yosemite St from May 1 to May 13. The Marina pop-up will be located on Carmel Ave in front of Marina Vista Elementary and Crumpton Elementary from May 14 to May 28.

Ms. Green reported that the Transportation Agency in partnership with the Monterey County Health Department were successful in getting a \$2.1 M Active Transportation Program grant to implement traffic gardens and safe routes to school education at 11 schools across the county. Traffic Gardens will be installed at 11 schools including all South County cities, Salinas, Castroville, Pajaro, Prunedale, Seaside, Marina and Monterey. The grant will be an opportunity to develop safe routes to school support networks within each of these communities and engage groups such as senior volunteers and university students to help make programs sustainable.

Board member Lopez commented that he received 30 letters from kids from San Lucas asking for sidewalks so they could get to school safely. Mr. Lopez asked for more attention to communities like San Lucas and San Ardo that lack basic infrastructure.

Board member Ian Oglesby commented that perhaps more resources should be put toward infrastructure projects in the future.

Board alternate Yuri Anderson asked how do we scale up to educate all 2nd and 5th graders? Ms. Green responded that it will be important to train volunteers and parents to conduct more bike safety education.

Board alternate Yuri Anderson asked how it is equitable that 11 schools get \$2.1 M grant vs. 42 schools in Salinas that are being served through a \$1.3 million grant? Ms. Green explained that the two grants are different, the \$1.3 M grant is to develop a safe routes to school plan for 42 schools in Salinas, whereas the \$2.1 M is to deliver safe routes to school programming which involves more than just education; it includes supplies and infrastructure. The communities that were selected in the grants were based on safety concerns and economic need.

8. **REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS**

Caltrans – Ailene Loe reported the project update list in the agenda packet is current, She announced the Salinas River Bridge project will be completed in April. She added that the Caltrans mile marker magazine is now available at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/milemarker/>.

Monterey Regional Airport District – Bill Sabo reported good news, traffic counts are up! Starting April 2, 2019, the Monterey Airport will begin service to Dallas and Denver providing service into Monterey. The Airport will be making improvements to taxiways adjacent to the runways and general aviation facilities. He announced they have a board member leaving and suggested a resident of the City of Seaside would provide good balance of representation on the Airport's board. He encouraged anyone interested to apply to fill the vacancy.

Monterey-Salinas Transit District – Carl Sedoryk, General Manager, reported he met in Washington DC last week and had some of the best meetings in the past five years, noting encouraging discussions regarding more funding for infrastructure and busses. He announced after close to 30 years in operation, Monterey-Salinas Transit will begin renovations at their Salinas Transit Center in downtown Salinas on March 28, 2019. The improvement project is expected to take six months to complete.

Monterey Bay Air Resources District – Richard Stedman announced the Air District is launching their electric vehicle incentive program with over \$800,000. He also announced a call for nominations is open for Clean Air Leaders Awards Thursday, May 16th, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

California State University Monterey Bay – No report

9. REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY BOARD MEMBERS AT TRANSPORTATION AGENCY EXPENSE, AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW

Board Chair Huitt accompanied Director Hale and TAMC staff Watson for Legislative Day in Sacramento on March 20, 2019.

10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Hale:

- Thanked Chair Huitt for joining staff on the Central Coast Coalition Legislative Day in Sacramento and for personalizing the trip.
- TAMC went out to bid on Package 1 Salinas Train Station, and received seven bids, staff is busy reviewing the bids.
- FORTAG will be hosting a Pop Up on April 13, 2019, 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- King City Ciclovía will be held on April 15, 2019, 11a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Moving forward with Measure X projects: 156 Castroville Blvd; Highway 68 to Salinas; US Highway 101 South of Salinas Projects.
- Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) Form 700 due April 1, 2019.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS

Board Chair Huitt thanked the Agency for doing an excellent job on Measure X funding.

Board member Hawthorne noted that the TAMC right of way goes right through the city and asked if the corridor could be cleaned up. He suggested that a bus route on the TAMC property from Tioga to Contra Costa would help to beautify that whole area.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Huitt adjourned the meeting at 10:49 a.m.