

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, November 6, 2008, 9:30 a.m.

Transportation Agency for Monterey County Conference Room
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas

AGENDA

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1. **ROLL CALL:** *Call to order and self-introductions. According to Transportation Agency and Committee bylaws, Committee membership consists of representatives from the Transportation Agency voting and ex-officio members, and other agencies that may be appointed by the Transportation Agency. Currently the Committee membership includes representatives from 12 Cities, the County, MST, Caltrans, City of Watsonville, the Air District, and AMBAG, for a total of 18 members. The minimum for a quorum is 10. If you are unable to attend, please contact the Committee coordinator. Your courtesy to the other members to assure a quorum is appreciated.*
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Any member of the public may address the Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of Transportation Agency and Technical Advisory Committee. Comments on items on today's agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed.

BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA: Approve the staff recommendations for **items 3.1 - 3.5** below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

- 3.1 **APPROVE** minutes of the Technical Advisory Committee meeting of August 7, 2008. – Mike Zeller

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- 3.2 RECEIVE** the call for nominations for the seventh annual Transportation Agency Excellence awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County. –Hoschouer

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Transportation Agency would like to encourage and appreciate efforts made by Monterey County residents, businesses and employees to improve transportation in Monterey County by awarding Transportation Excellence Awards. Staff encourages committee members to submit nominations, which are due by December 5, 2008. The awards ceremony will take place before the regular January 2009 Transportation Agency board meeting.

- 3.3 RECOMMEND** Board approve City of Monterey reallocation request for \$200,000 in Transportation for Livable Communities funds. – Watson

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On October 25, 2006, the Transportation Agency awarded the City of Monterey \$200,000 in Transportation for Livable Communities grant funding based on one transit-oriented development project, the Monterey Hotel. This project held its groundbreaking on August 11, 2007. On December 5, 2007, the Agency allocated the \$200,000 award to improve transit and pedestrian access in the downtown area. The City of Monterey is requesting to use the grant for the Hartnell Gulch Walkway Project.

- 3.4 RECEIVE** schedule of 2009 Technical Advisory Committee meetings.
– Muck

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As stated in the Committee bylaws, “Meetings will be held on a date that staff determines to be convenient for a majority of the members.” Attachment 1 is the tentative schedule of meetings for the Committee in accordance with the regular meeting on the first Thursday of the month, 9:30 a.m.

- 3.5 RECEIVE** call for nominations for APWA Monterey Bay Chapter – 2009 Awards.
– Muck

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Enclosed are nomination forms for American Public Works Association - Monterey Bay Chapter 2009 public works project of the year and person of the year. The deadline for submitting nominations is December 3, 2008.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. **REVIEW** and **COMMENT** on draft 2009 legislative program. – Watson
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The purpose of the legislative program is to set general principles to guide staff and Board responses to proposed legislative or budgetary issues. The program also notifies state representatives of the Transportation Agency's position on issues of key importance to the agency.

5. **RECOMMEND** approval of proposed methodology for addressing below-market rate housing in the regional fee program to the Transportation Agency Board of Directors. – Zeller
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Following discussion at the August 27, 2008 Board meeting regarding affordable housing discounts in the regional fee program, staff presented to the Executive Committee and met with CHISPA to discuss accommodating affordable housing in the fee program through reduced trip rates. Staff will update the Implementation Guidelines accordingly.

6. **RECEIVE** presentation from Mr. Randy Smith on electric bicycles and their use on pathways; **CONSIDER** the implications of electric bicycles on bicycle facilities, and **ADOPT** a strategy for follow-up. – Smith
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With the recent increase in gasoline prices, many choose to commute using alternative modes of transportation, such as bicycling. There has been discussion of the use of electric bicycles on bicycle facilities. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee has requested that Technical Advisory Committee members consider this issue for potential implementation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or **COMMENTS** from Technical Advisory Committee members on matters that they wish to put on future Committee agendas.

No Enclosure

7. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Next Committee meeting will be on
Thursday, January 8, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.
TAMC Conference Room
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas

Technical Advisory Committee Agenda of Thursday, November 6, 2008

REMINDER: If you have any items for the next Committee Agenda, please submit them to: Transportation Agency for Monterey County; Attn: Todd Muck; 55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas, CA 93901, E-mail: todd@tamcmonterey.org.

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No items this month.

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