

Agenda item: 3.1.1

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)  
 SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS AND EXPRESSWAYS  
 MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE  
 JOINT POWERS AGENCY

**Final Minutes of August 25, 2010 TAMC Board Meeting**

Held at the  
 Agricultural Center Conference Room  
 1428 Abbott Street, Salinas

	AUG 09	SEP 09	OCT 09	DEC 09	JAN 10	FEB 10	MAR 10	APR 10	MAY 10	JUN 10	AUG 10
F. Armenta, Supr. Dist. 1 (A. Chavez)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P
L. Calcagno, Supr. Dist. 2- <b>Chair</b> (H. Gowin)	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P
S. Salinas, Supr. Dist. 3- <b>2nd Vice Chair</b> (D. Dunham, C. Lopez)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P
J. Parker, Supr. Dist. 4 (K. Markey)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P
D. Potter, Supr. Dist 5 (K. Lee)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)
K. Sharp, Carmel-by-the-Sea	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
J. Edelen, Del Rey Oaks (K. Clark)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P(A)
M. Orozco, Gonzales (M. Gourley)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
J. Huerta, Greenfield (Y. Teneyuque)	P	P (A)	P	P	-	P	E	P	P	P	P
S. Kleber, King City (J. Pereira)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
B. Delgado, Marina (K. Gray)	P(A)	P	P	P	P(A)	P	-	P	P	P	P
F. Sollecito, Monterey – <b>Past Chair</b> ( <del>C. Della Sala</del> R. Deal)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P(A)	P	P
R. Huitt, Pacific Grove (C. Garcia)	P	P (A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P(A)
S. Villegas, Salinas - <b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</b> (R. Russell, J. Serrano)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
S. Matarazzo, Sand City (R. Simonitch)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Rubio, Seaside ( <del>S. Bloomer</del> , D. Ingersoll)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P
R.Ortiz, Soledad (G. Gerbrandt)	P(A)	P (A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	-	P(A)	P	P	P(A)
J. Doughty, AMBAG (R. DeShazo)	P	-	P	P	-	-	P	P	-	-	P
R. Krumholz, Caltrans, Dist. 5 (A. Loe; <del>D. Murray, M. McCumsey</del> )	P	P (A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)
J. Getchell, MBUAPCD (B. Nunes, D. Fairchild)	P	-	P	P	-	P	E	P	P	-	-
W. Sabo, Mtry Pen. Airport Dist. (R. Searle)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	-
C. Sedoryk, MST (H. Harvath, <del>M. Hernandez</del> )	P	P	P(A)	P		P	P	P	P	P	P

TAMC STAFF	AUG 09	SEP 09	OCT 09	DEC 09	JAN 10	FEB 10	MAR 10	APR 10	May 10	JUN 10	AUG 10
D. Hale, Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
L. Blankenship, TAMC Counsel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
D. Bachman, Deputy Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
K. Chen, Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
A. Cook, Associate Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
D. Delfino, Finance Officer/Analyst	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Goel, Dir. Finance & Administration	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
K. Hoschouer, Associate Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Muck, Principal Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
H. Myers, Associate Engineer	E	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
E. Rodriguez, Senior Admin. Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
L. Terry, Accountant Assistant	E	E	E	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	E
C. Watson, Senior Trans. Planner	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Zeller, Associate Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Jim Cullem	Harris & Associates	Alex Vasquez	Access Monterey Peninsula
Mark McCumsey	Caltrans District 5	Mario Romo	Access Monterey Peninsula
Christine DiIorio	City of Marina	Michael Martins	Access Monterey Peninsula
James Serrano	City of Salinas	Sig Matt	101 Bypass Committee
Hunter Harvath	Monterey-Salinas Transit	Dell Matt	101 Bypass Committee
Lupe Galaviz	South County resident	Vee Thomas	Prunedale Neighbors

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Staff confirmed that a quorum was present. Chairman Calcagno called the meeting to order. He noted that staff deleted item 7.1, Closed Session from the agenda. Agency Counsel Blankenship led the pledge of allegiance.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Dell Matt, 101 Bypass Committee, reported that she had the privilege of attending the California Transportation Commission meeting in San Francisco where the CTC unanimously approved an allocation of \$91,310,000 to construct two new interchanges and make operational improvements in North County along U.S. Highway 101. She thanked Caltrans, TAMC staff, the Board and CTC for having fanned that flame for so many years. She also thanked the Board for over the 20 years of working with them, for their courtesy, attention on responding to her comments and prompt replies she received noting she's grateful and will continue to support you.

Vee Thomas, No. Monterey County Mothers, concurred with Dell, and thanked the Board for the Prunedale. She noted that the Prunedale Community would be happy when the traffic issues are taken care of.

Supervisor Armenta introduced Jessica Martinez, his new staff member.

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**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C Gerbrandt/Orozco/unanimous  
Approved consent agenda.

Executive Director Hale pulled item 3.3.3 from the agenda.

### ***ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET***

- 3.1.1 Approved minutes of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County and the Joint Powers Agency for Monterey County meetings of June 23, 2010.
- 3.1.2 Accepted the list of checks written for June and July 2010 and credit card statements for the months of May and June 2010.
- 3.1.3 Report on conferences or trainings attended by Agency staff.
- 3.1.4 Approved evaluation form, procedure, and timeline for completing annual evaluation for Executive Director and Counsel as recommended by the Executive Committee.
- 3.1.5 Approved a service anniversary recognition program for Agency employees as recommended by the Executive Committee.

### ***BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES***

- 3.2.1 Adopted resolution 2010-13 allocating State Transit Assistance funds for Fiscal Year 2010-11 and ratifying payment of funds apportioned by the State Controller to Monterey-Salinas Transit.
- 3.2.2 Regarding Triennial Transit Performance Audit:
  - 1. Approved scope of work for consultant assistance to perform a triennial transit performance audit for the three-year period ending June 30, 2010 as required by state law; and
  - 2. Directed staff to release a Request for Proposals to potential consultants.

### ***PLANNING***

- 3.3.1 Received update on state and federal legislative activities.
- 3.3.2 Approved agency participation in the Inter-regional Climate Action Planning Process.
- 3.3.3 ***Staff pulled this item from the agenda.***  
Authorize the Executive Director to sign a contract for the Transportation Agency to perform rideshare outreach services on behalf of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments subject to approval as to form by the Transportation Agency's counsel.

### ***PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING***

- 3.4.1 Regarding Call Box Call Answering Center Service Contract:
  - 1. Approved contract with CDS Net to provide call box answering services in the amount of \$9,052; and
  - 2. Authorized the Executive Director to execute the contract and changes to the contract if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency Counsel; and
  - 3. Authorized the use of \$9,052 from Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways funding for the contract.
- 3.4.2 Approved the requests by the City of Greenfield to allocate \$293,500 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds from the Fiscal Years 97, 01/02/03, 04/05/06 and 07/08/09 cycles to various city street projects.
- 3.4.3 Approved selection of on-call consultants for transportation engineering and project management services.

***RAIL PROGRAM***

**3.5.1** *No items this month.*

***REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE***

**3.6.1** Approved the 2010 Strategic Expenditure Plan Update.

**3.7.1** ***COMMITTEE MINUTES***

**Accepted minutes from Transportation Agency committees:**

- Executive Committee – Draft June 2, 2010  
Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee – No meeting
- Rail Policy Committee – Draft June 7, 2010
- Social Services Transportation Advisory Council – Draft June 10, 2010  
(online at [www.tamcmonterey.org](http://www.tamcmonterey.org))
- Technical Advisory Committee – No meeting

**END OF CONSENT**

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**4. EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER**

The Board recognized Kaki Chen as the Transportation Agency Employees of the Quarter for April through June 2010.

The Agency employees recognized Kaki for having a great attitude! She was also recognized for her professionalism, diligence, knowledge and hard work on the Freeway Service Patrol and 511 Program, most notably her efforts and dedication in holding a successful Bike Week 2010.

**5. BEACH RANGE ROAD PROJECT BID ADVERTISEMENT**

**M/S/C** Villegas/Parker/unanimous

Approved Resolution 2010-14 authorizing the Executive Director to advertise bids for the Beach Range Road bicycle trail retrofit project upon receipt of federal approval to proceed with construction.

Kaki Chen, Transportation Planner, reported one of the projects identified in the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail Master Plan is to improve the existing paved Beach Range Road to offer users a greater separation from traffic on Highway 1 and allow visitors to experience the new Fort Ord Dunes State Park. She noted that the construction phase of the project is currently fully funded in the amount of \$228,700 using 2009 Federal Appropriation Act funds and that local matching funds are not required.

Board member Rubio asked that staff look at improving the south end between the temporary crossing and California Avenue there is a stretch of pavement that connects to the existing bike trail is covered with sand, we should look at improving that section. Director Hale replied that staff has looked at this location, and it will improve the connection, we'll put this on the list.

Board member Parker asked if pervious materials would be used for paving the bike path. Director Hale replied that because these are just repairs they would not be using pervious materials; She noted that staff is looking at using such materials for the Monterey Branch Line.

Board alternate Kristen Clark asked if the light rail accommodates bicyclists. Ms. Hoschouer noted that there would be hooks to accommodate bikes.

**6. TRANSPORTATION FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM UPDATE**

**M/S/C** Armenta/Delgado/unanimous

The Board received an update on Transportation for Livable Communities Transit-Oriented Development incentive grant program, and approved the requests from the Cities of Marina and Salinas for grant extensions.

Christina Watson, Senior Transportation Planner, reported that the Transportation Agency enacted the Transportation for Livable Communities program in 2003 to incentivize the creation of affordable housing in existing communities close to transit, which reduces the demand on regional road networks and increases transit ridership. The City of Marina and MST requested a building permit deadline extension to January 25, 2012 for the Marina Transit Village project. The City of Salinas requested a groundbreaking deadline extension to October 30, 2011 for the Gateway Apartments project.

Christine DiIorio, City of Marina, reported that the continuation of the City's Transit Village grant was essential to support the viability of a new mixed-use project for the Monterey-Salinas Transit site. She noted that they have contracted with Mr. Daniel Silverie of Stillwater Construction to develop the site. Despite the economic challenges of the last several years, the City and MST have continued to move forward with improvements to the MST site.

James Serrano, City of Salinas, reported that the city would like to request an extension to the deadline for the Gateway Apartments to break ground to October 2011. He noted that the Gateway Apartments project continues to be a much anticipated and important infill project for the City. The housing project will be located in downtown Salinas, near the MST center and Intermodal Transportation Center.

Board members Armenta, Huerta, Delgado and Matarazzo expressed their support for the extensions. Board alternate Gerbrandt expressed concern with the City of Marina's extension, noting it has taken them 8 years to get to this point on the project.

**7. MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL TAXI AUTHORITY**

**M/S/C** Delgado/Salinas/unanimous

Received update on implementation of the Monterey County Regional Taxi Authority.

Andy Cook, Associate Transportation Planner, reported the Transportation Agency's process to facilitate review and approval of a Regional Taxi Authority Joint Powers Agreement and model ordinance by Monterey County jurisdictions pursuant to the Agency's Regional Taxi Study completed in 2008 is concluding. The Monterey Peninsula police chiefs, Monterey County Hospitality Association and social services advocates requested the taxi study to make recommendations for establishing a Regional Taxi Authority in Monterey County and address issues expressed by the stakeholders regarding taxi regulation, enforcement and service. To date the Cities of Carmel by the Sea, Del Rey Oaks, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Sand City, Salinas and Seaside and the Monterey Airport District have joined. The County is expected to join soon.

Board member Delgado noted that they have one taxi company in Marina. He noted that the one taxi company would go bankrupt if the City of Marina joined the authority. Mr. Delgado noted that the Council would consider joining the Taxi Authority in September.

Board member Armenta asked who pays for the Taxi Authority Board staffing and administration. Mr. Sedoryk noted that the intent is that the licensing fees collected would fully support the costs.

**7.1 CLOSED SESSION: REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS**

Staff deleted the closed session from the agenda.

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

Board Chairman Calcagno reported that he, Director Hale and members of the Prunedale Bypass Committee attended that California Transportation Commission hearing on August 12, 2010, in San Francisco. The CTC unanimously approved an allocation of \$91,310,000 to construct two new interchanges and make operational improvements in North County along U.S. Highway 101. He noted that funding is contingent upon the adoption of the State budget. Construction on the four-year project is slated to begin next April. He noted that Executive Director Hale is the best lobbyist; she knows exactly where to look for funding. Chairman Calcagno also noted that funds left over from the Prunedale Improvement Project could go toward the Highway 156 corridor.

9. **REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS**

- **Caltrans** – Aileen Loe, District 5 Director, congratulated the Board for their efforts in helping to secure the allocation of \$91,310,000 for the Prunedale Improvement Project, noting this has been a long haul, and noting that there are some final efforts we're working on to secure federal funding. She also noted that Director Krumholz is ecstatic over this! Ms. Loe also congratulated AMBAG and Cities of Gonzales, Monterey and King who were recently successful recipients for the grant program. She reported that the Caltrans construction project report in the agenda was current; noting it is possible Caltrans may have to suspend some of the construction projects, and \$3-billion worth of new projects that are ready for construction that will face delay until the budget is passed. Ms. Loe reported that the state furlough program has been extended. In conclusion, she announced that the Airport Boulevard Ground Breaking Ceremony would be held on September 9, 2010, at the Denny's parking lot near the bridge.

Board alternate Lee requested Caltrans to provide more information on the Highway 68 improvements and visuals of how they will look when completed. Caltrans Director Loe said she would provide more information to Kathleen.

Board member Rubio echoed Ms. Loe's sentiments about the CTC, the work that's been done and Caltrans ability to move forward quickly. He asked that Director Hale send thank you letters to the California Transportation Commissioners, noting we've cultivated some good friendships and partnerships that have made all of this possible.

Dell Matt, 101 Bypass Committee, thanked Caltrans for supporting the committee in this project and participating in many meetings, collaborating with us to try to keep things moving forward, noting it's a tremendous effort. She dedicated her 20-years that she has put in, to those who died and were injured on that road.

- **Monterey Peninsula Airport District** – No report.
- **Monterey-Salinas Transit** – Carl Sedoryk, General Manager, reported that the Monterey-Salinas Transit District has held two successful meetings, noting they had a great inauguration and kick-off in July. He noted that all of the communities in Monterey County are now being represented on the Transit Board. Mr. Sedoryk announced that since January rider ship on MST passenger boarding's has increased 6%.

10. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Hale reported that staff would be talking to Caltrans about a potential funding source for looking into continuing on a permanent basis the right hand turn from Carmel Valley Road to Highway 1. She also announced that she is honored to have been nominated as the Chair of the American Public Works Association Transportation Committee noting she is pleased to be following in the footsteps of Bill Reichmuth. In conclusion, Director Hale announced that the meeting location for the next Board meeting might be changed due to the unavailability of the Ag Center.

**11. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM TRANSPORTATION AGENCY MEMBERS**

Chairman Calcagno thanked and welcomed Board alternates Kristin Clark and Carmelita Garcia for attending the meeting.

Board alternate Gerbrandt thanked the Board for their condolence during the passing of his mother.

Board member Huerta and alternate Lee congratulated the North county residence for believing in the PIP project. Ms. Lee thanked Todd Muck and Candy Ingram for going above and beyond responding to the public in Carmel concerning the bike path. She asked that staff look at the right turn and traffic flow at Carmel Valley Road and Highway 1.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Calcagno adjourned the meeting at 11:19 a.m., in memory of Louis Garcia, former Gonzales Council member and TAMC Board member.