

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

Meeting of Wednesday, January 25, 2012

**Agricultural Center Conference Room  
1428 Abbott Street  
Salinas, California  
9:00 A.M.**

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1. **QUORUM CHECK – CALL TO ORDER.** Transportation Agency by-laws require a quorum of a minimum of 9 voting members, including a minimum of 7 city representatives and 1 county representative.  
*If you are unable to attend, please contact your alternate. Your courtesy to the other Transportation Agency Board members to assure a quorum is appreciated.*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS.** Any person may address the Transportation Agency Board at this time. Presentations should not exceed three minutes, should be directed to an item **NOT** on today's agenda, and should be within the jurisdiction of the Transportation Agency Board. *Though it is not required, the Transportation Agency Board appreciates your cooperation in completing a speaker request form available on the table at the entrance to the meeting room. Please give the completed form to the Transportation Agency Administrative Assistant.*

2.1 **Election of 2012 Officers – Potter/Sollecito/Kleber** **Pages 11 - 12**

1. **RECEIVE** report from Nominating Committee and **ELECT** Chair, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair of the Board, for the term beginning upon their election through the next election of officers at the beginning of the January 23, 2013 Board meeting; and,
2. **RECEIVE** report from Nominating Committee and **ELECT** members of the Executive Committee, for the term beginning upon their election through the next election of officers at the beginning of the January 23, 2013 Board meeting.

*Agency bylaws require the election of officers at the beginning of the Agency's January meeting. The Board officers consist of the Chair, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair. The Executive Committee includes the Chair, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair, the immediate past Chair, and a City and a County voting Board member.*

3. **CONSENT AGENDA** **(Yellow Paper)**  
**APPROVE** the staff recommendations for items 3.1.1 - 3.7.1 by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be considered for discussion and action after the Consent Agenda. **Pages 13 - 68**
4. **ADOPT** final 2012 Legislative Program. – Watson **Pages 69 - 75**

*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. **Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing – Cook** **Pages 76 - 78**

1. **RECEIVE** report on unmet transit needs process;
2. **OPEN** public hearing;
3. **RECEIVE** public comments;
4. **CLOSE** public hearing; and
5. **DIRECT** staff to consult with local transit operators, affected jurisdictions, community agencies and return to the Board with a recommended finding on Unmet Transit Needs for Fiscal Year 2012-13.

*Pursuant to the Transportation Development Act, the Transportation Agency annually seeks public input to identify unmet transit needs in Monterey County prior to allocating Local Transportation Funds for public transit or other eligible purposes. The Agency must provide for a public hearing to solicit public comments on unmet transit needs.*

6. **RECEIVE** report on the Monterey Bay Area 511 Traveler Information System Feasibility Study.  
– Cheung **Pages 79 - 82**

*The Transportation Agency and the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission have been partnering to prepare a Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan for a proposed 511 traveler information system serving the Monterey Bay area. The Feasibility Study found that a 511 system for this region is feasible by partnering with an agency using its existing 511 infrastructure, such as Sacramento Area Council of Governments or Metropolitan Transportation Commission.*

7. **TIMED ITEM FOR 10:30 AM:**

**PRESENTATION** of 2011 Transportation Excellence Awards.

– Orozco/Salinas

**Program Handout**

8. Reports on meetings attended by Board Members at Transportation Agency expense, as required by state law. **No Enclosure**

9. Reports from transportation providers: **Pages 83 - 85**
- California Highway Patrol-Perlstein
  - Caltrans – Krumholz/Loe
  - Monterey Peninsula Airport District– Sabo
  - Monterey-Salinas Transit – Sedoryk
10. Executive Director’s Report **No Enclosure**
11. Announcements and/or comments from Transportation Agency members on matters that they wish to put on future Transportation Agency agendas.
12. Adjournment

**Please send any items for the February 22, 2012 Transportation Agency agenda to Senior Administrative Assistant Elouise Rodriguez by 12 noon, Thursday, February 9, 2012.**

The Transportation Agency Agenda will be prepared by Transportation Agency staff and will close at noon Thursday, February 9, 2012, nine (9) working days before the regular meeting. Any member may request in writing an item to appear on the agenda. The request shall be made by the agenda deadline and any supporting papers must be furnished by that time or be readily available.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Transportation Agency for Monterey County meeting will be on  
Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

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**1428 Abbott Street**  
**Salinas, California**

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**Transportation Agency for Monterey County**  
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**BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Approve the staff recommendations for items 3.1.1 - 3.7.1 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.

**ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET**

- 3.1.1 **APPROVE** minutes of the Transportation Agency For Monterey County (TAMC) Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways and Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency of December 7, 2011. – Rodriguez **Pages 13 - 21**
- 3.1.2 **ACCEPT** the list of checks written for November and December 2011 and credit card statements for the months of October and November 2011. – Delfino **Pages 22 - 23**

*The list of checks and copies of credit card statements are submitted to the Transportation Agency Board each month in accordance with the recommendation from the Transportation Agency's independent Certified Public Accountant to keep the Board informed about the Transportation Agency's financial transactions.*

- 3.1.3 **RECEIVE** report on conferences or trainings attended by Agency staff. – Bachman **Pages 24 - 27**

*Agency staff occasionally attend conferences or trainings at Agency expense that are pertinent to their roles in pursuing the Agency's mission. These events allow the staff to stay current and participate in the development of transportation practices and policies related to their roles. Recently one employee attended the 2011 California Public Employers Labor Relations Association conference.*

- 3.1.4 **APPROVE** the basic concept and format of the 2011 Transportation Agency for Monterey County Annual Report. – Hoschouer **Pages 28 - 29**

*The Transportation Agency 2011 Annual Report, which addresses Agency accomplishments for 2011 and goals for 2012, will be mailed to residents throughout the County during the month of April.*

- 3.1.5 **APPROVE** waiver of public recruitment process and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to promote a replacement Deputy Executive Director from existing Agency staff. – Hale **Pages 30 - 34**
- 3.1.6 **APPROVE** previously-deferred salary range adjustment, in the amount of 5%, for the position of Director of Finance and Administration, effective January 1, 2012. **Pages 35 - 37**

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

- 3.2.1 **Monterey County Bike Week Activities** – Cheung **Pages 38 - 39**
1. **APPROVE** a Memorandum of Understanding between Santa Cruz Ecology Action and the Transportation Agency regarding the 2012 Monterey County bike week activities; and
  2. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to sign the Memorandum of Understanding and changes to the Memorandum if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency Counsel; and
  3. **AUTHORIZE** the use of \$ 6,500 from Transportation Development Act 2% funding for the Memorandum of Understanding.

*To take advantage of economies of scale and freeing up resources to conduct other planning activities, the Transportation Agency is partnering with the Santa Cruz Ecology Action, a non-profit organization that has 20 years of experience in planning the Santa Cruz bike week events, to organize and market the 2012 Monterey County bike week. The attached Memorandum of Understanding outlines the roles and responsibilities of Ecology Action and the Transportation Agency in this effort.*

- 3.2.2 **APPROVE** the transfer of \$82,300 in Transportation Development Act 2% funds from the Castroville railroad crossing project to Blanco Road bike lane project. – Cheung **Pages 40 - 42**

*County of Monterey has requested the Transportation Agency's assistance to fund additional costs associated with the design and construction of Blanco Road bike lane project. Transferring \$82,300 in Transportation Development Act 2% funds from the Castroville railroad crossing project to Blanco Road bike lane project would allow the County to proceed with construction.*

- 3.2.3 **APPROVE** appointment of Tony Prock to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee as an alternate representing the City of Pacific Grove. – Cheung **Pages 43 - 44**

*The Board appoints members of the public to the Committee on an as-needed basis to represent bicycle and pedestrian transportation issues and make recommendations to the Board of Directors.*

- 3.2.4 **AUTHORIZE** Executive Director to sign agreement with Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST), pending approval by Counsel, for a short term, zero-interest Regional Service Transportation Program (RSTP) loan up to \$3,000,000 for operating costs, to be repaid upon receipt of Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 operating grant funds. – Cook **Pages 45 - 48**

*MST has requested a short-term RSTP loan to fund unreimbursed operating costs due to a significant and unexpected delay by the Federal Transit Administration in apportioning and allocating federal transit operating funds. The requested action is consistent with past Board actions and authorization under Transportation Agency Resolution 2002-25.*

## PLANNING

- 3.3.1 **APPROVE** revised list of adopted priority regional transportation projects. – Muck **Pages 49 - 51**

*The attached matrix of priority regional transportation projects focuses the Agency's project development efforts for the next 5 to 10 years. The original list was a result of the Transportation Agency's strategic planning session held in May 2011.*

## PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING

- 3.4.1 **RECEIVE** attached news article and memorandum on the Caltrans Innovation District (iDistrict) proposed by the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority. – Hale **Pages 52 - 58**

*Santa Clara County Valley Transportation Authority is proposing a new Caltrans district be established in San Jose to better serve Santa Clara County.*

## RAIL PROGRAM

- 3.5.1 **RECEIVE** update on the Commuter Rail Extension to Monterey County Project Rail Tour. – Gavin **Pages 59 - 61**

*Staff is coordinating a rail tour on the Amtrak Coast Starlight, which will provide an opportunity for the Rail Policy Committee and other interested persons to discuss and directly experience the proposed Commuter Rail Extension to Monterey County service. The trip is planned for Friday, February 3, 2012.*

3.6.1                    **REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE**  
*No items this month*

3.7.1   **ACCEPT** minutes from Transportation Agency committees:  
**Pages 62 - 68**

- Executive Committee – Draft January 11, 2012
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee  
– Draft January 11, 2012 (online at [www.tamcmonterey.org](http://www.tamcmonterey.org))
- Rail Policy Committee – Draft January 9, 2012
- Technical Advisory Committee – Draft January 12, 2012

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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*No items this month*