

TAMC STAFF	SEP 14	OCT 14	DEC 14	JAN 15	FE B 15	MAR 15	APR 15	MAY 15	JUN 15	AUG 15	SEP 15
	P	P	P	P	P	P	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	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
A. Green, Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
G. Leonard, Transportation 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, Deputy Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
V. Murillo, Assistant Trans. Planner	???	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
H. Myers, Sr. Trans. Planning Engineer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
K. Reimann, Legal Counsel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
E. Rodriguez, Senior Admin. Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
L. Terry, Accountant Assistant	E	E	P	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
C. Watson, Principal Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	E	E	P
M. Zeller, Senior Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
T. Wright, Community Outreach	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

OTHERS PRESENT

Dell Matt	101 Bypass Committee	Pat Grant	Public
Tim O'Halloran	City of Seaside	Eric Petersen	Salinas resident
Alex Vasquez	Access Monterey Peninsula	Mark McCumsey	Caltrans District 5
Mario Romo	Access Monterey Peninsula	Sharon Friedrichsen	City of Carmel-by-the Sea
Sam Teel	Monterey Co Hospitality Assn.	Paul Tran	CHISPA
MacGregor Eddy	Media		

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
Chair Craig called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., and led the pledge of allegiance.

- 1.1 **ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**
None.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
None.

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3. **CONSENT AGENDA**
M/S/C Delgado/Orozco/unanimous

The Board approved the consent agenda excluding item 3.4.1, pulled for discussion by Board member Phillips.

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 August 26 2015.
- 3.1.2** Accepted the list of checks written for August 2015 and credit card statements for the month of July 2015.
- 3.1.3** Received report on conferences attended by agency staff.
- 3.1.4** Adopted the proposed Equal Employment Opportunity Plan as recommended by the Executive Committee.
- 3.1.5** Regarding video recording and broadcasting of Board meetings.
 - 1. Authorized the Executive Director to execute contract Amendment No. 2 with Access Monterey Peninsula, to extend and amend the contract from the current expiration date, September 30, 2015 to June 30, 2016;
 - 2. Authorized the Executive Director to execute contract Amendment No. 2 with Monterey County Superintendent of Schools to televise Board meetings on Charter and South County Channels to extend and amend the contract from the current expiration date, September 30, 2015 to June 30, 2016;
 - 3. Authorized the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the contracts if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency counsel;
 - 4. Authorized the use of \$45,150 from Agency reserves budgeted for these purposes; and
 - 5. Approved sole source procurement finding.

BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES

No items this month.

PLANNING

- 3.3.1** Regarding Regional Transportation Plan Environmental Impact Report Agreement:
 - 1. Authorized the Executive Director to execute an agreement not to exceed \$60,000 with Metropolitan Transportation Plan/ Sustainable Communities Strategy/ Regional Transportation Plan Environmental Impact Report;
 - 2. Approved the use of \$60,000 in funds budgeted to this project; and
 - 3. Authorized the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the contract if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency counsel.

PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING

- 3.4.1** The Board received the fiscal year 2014-2015 Call Box Annual Report.
M/S/C Phillip/Armenta/unanimous

Board member Phillips requested that staff look at reallocating program resources, noting some call boxes are not being used. Director Hale commented that over the coming months staff has plans to do a thorough analysis to determine where the call boxes are needed and not needed.

RAIL PROGRAM

- 3.5.1** Received contract renewal and amendment with the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) to perform a feasibility study for the Coast Daylight Project, extending the contract period to June 30, 2016.
- 3.5.2** Authorized the Executive Director to execute contract amendment #1 with Overland, Pacific & Cutler, Inc. to increase the not-to-exceed amount of the contract by \$81,700 to allow seven additional parcels to be covered by the current appraisal and acquisition services contract using Traffic Congestion Relief Program funds.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE

- 3.6.1** No items this month.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

- 3.7.1** Accepted minutes from Transportation Agency committees:
- Executive Committee – Draft September 2, 2015
 - Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee – Draft September 2, 2015
 - Rail Policy Committee – September 14, 2015 Agenda
 - Technical Advisory Committee –Draft September 3, 2015

4. STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

M/S/C Salinas/Orozco/unanimous

The Board received a state legislative update.

Executive Director Hale reported that the Agency is working with various parties to develop a transportation expenditure plan for consideration by the voters. Due to the 2% local option sales tax cap and a proposed increase by the City of Greenfield on the November 2015 ballot, the Agency needed legislation to exceed the cap. Last month, the Board authorized staff to work to introduce SB 705, the bill that will allow TAMC along with the City of San Mateo to move forward with the proposed 3/8% sales tax for voter consideration. She noted that the bill is sitting on the Governor's desk for signature, and that the Governor has until October 11th to sign all the bills. Director Hale asked the Board members to write letters to the Governor asking for him to sign SB 705.

5. STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

The Board received an update on the 2016 State Transportation Improvement Program.

Mike Zeller, Senior Transportation Planner, reported that every two years the Agency submits a five-year program of projects to be funded by the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Due to a shortfall in gas tax revenues, the 2016 State Transportation Improvement Program fund estimate includes no new funding for the next five year cycle. The effect is that no new projects can be programmed this cycle and some existing projects will need to be delayed. California Transportation Commission guidelines require Regional Transportation Planning Agencies to submit to them a proposed programming as part of a Regional Transportation Improvement Program by December 15, 2015. Agency staff will meet with sponsors of the projects currently programmed in the State Transportation Improvement Program to develop a strategy on which projects to postpone to later years as required to meet the State Transportation Improvement Program fund estimates for the next five year cycle.

6. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT MEASURE OUTREACH PLAN

The Board received an update on the Transportation Improvement Measure Outreach Plan; received a presentation on the development of a Transportation Expenditure Plan; and brainstormed on potential projects for a draft Transportation Expenditure Plan.

Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator/Associate Transportation Planner, reported that the goal is to build an investment plan that inspires broad support across Monterey County's diverse communities. She highlight the previous tax measure results, noting in November 1989, there was a 50.1% yes vote, and in November 2008 63% yes vote. She also revealed the lessons learned from TAMC's previous sales tax measure attempts which include the following:

- We need to get as close to consensus as possible.
- Key constituencies/stakeholders must not be left out.
- Elected official support is critical.
- Active support from across the county will be required for a win.
- Nobody will see everything they want in this investment plan.
- We only win when everyone compromises and sees Yes as better than No.

Terry Feinberg, reported that the primary focus is to get over the 2/3rds vote threshold, or 66.7% vote. He highlighted the process, noting we are building an investment plan and ballot measure slowly, intentionally and with significant community input.

The building of the investment plan includes input from:

- Regional Transportation Plan for Monterey County
- Voter Research
- Focus Groups
- Dozens of Stakeholder Outreach Meetings
- Meetings with City Managers/Public Works Directors

In conclusion, Ms. Wright asked the Board to suggest projects that could be included in an expenditure plan, list five names of individual or organizations that the Agency should be contacted in their outreach efforts; and to indicate whether they could help with the outreach efforts by facilitating a meeting with any of their recommendations.

Boardmembers had several comments that were captured on a separate spreadsheet under four project categories: local roads; safety and traffic reduction; transit for seniors, youth and commuters; and, walkability/bikeability and the environment.

Public comment:

Sam Teel, MCHA, reported that the Hospitality Association has been discussing this plan and are very sensitive to the fact that local residents are concerned with the impacts of tourism on congestion. He would like to see something in the measure to address this concern.

Dell Matt, Prunedale resident, expressed concern that county roads are too narrow to walk on or ride a bike on, and that people are exceeding the speed limits on those roads.

7. SR 156 WEST CORRIDOR PROJECT LEVEL 2 TRAFFIC & REVENUE STUDY

M/S/C Phillips/Armenta/unanimous

The Board authorized the Executive Director to negotiate scope of work and execute an agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for the SR 156 West Corridor Project Level 2 Traffic & Revenue Study in an amount not to exceed \$414,000 to provide professional services for the period ending December 31, 2016 subject to approval by Agency Counsel; approved the use of federal and local funds budgeted to this project; and, authorized the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the agreement if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency Counsel.

Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director, reported The Transportation Agency released a Request for Proposals for qualified consultants to conduct a detailed Traffic & Revenue Study for the SR 156 corridor. The study will provide traffic forecasts and toll revenue estimates to provide the public and elected officials high quality information for policy decisions. The review committee found Kimley-Horn to be the most qualified firm for the project. The Level 2 Traffic and Revenue Study will be significantly more detailed than the "Sketch Level" Traffic and Revenue Study previously completed for the SR 156 Corridor Project.

Boardmember Parker inquired as to the length of time it would take to complete the study. Mr. Muck responded that it would take 9 to 12 months.

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

Board member Potter reported that he attended the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors meeting in Oakland on June 17, 2015, where they discussed next steps of the Extension to Salinas. The Coast Rail Coordinating Council met on July 31st in Santa Barbara to discuss the extension of Pacific Surfliner trains, known as the Coast Daylight project.

Chair Craig reported that she also attended the CCJPA meeting on June 17th, where there was tremendous amount of support for the Rail Extension to the Salinas project. She also attended the APTA Rail Conference in Salt Lake City June 21-23, noting the training was positive and time was very well spent.

9. **REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS**

Caltrans – Brandy Rider, Caltrans, reported that the California Transportation Commission recently issued a report summarizing the benefits of Proposition 1B transportation bonds. She noted that \$78 million was allocated to Monterey County for the following projects: San Juan Road interchange, Salinas Road interchange at Highway 1, and Monterey-Salinas Transit. Caltrans announced the FY 2016-17 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Application Guide and workshop on September 1, 2015 at the Caltrans office. Applications are due October 30, 2015 by 5 PM.

Board member Rubio expressed concern that at the northbound on ramp at Highway 1 in Seaside there is a lot of vegetation that needs trimming and the pavement is very distressed and needs to be replaced. Board Chair Craig expressed concern regarding eucalyptus trees at the US 101 Boronda Road exit and asked what the timing was for trimming these trees. She also noted that the sign at US 101 at Russell Road is covered with duct tape and needs to be removed.

Staff was asked to work with the County staff to narrow the lanes on Cross Road to reduce speeding. Staff was also asked to work with the County to look into why there is a 35 mph sign on San Miguel Canyon Road just before the turnoff at Moro Road, after which the speed limit sign says 25 mph.

Monterey Regional Airport District – No report this month.

Monterey-Salinas Transit District – Carl Sedoryk, MST General Manager, announced Prop 1B bonds funded \$226,000 for bus stops and additional shelters at various places throughout the county. He also announced that the City of Monterey has agreed to continue the trolley service for another year. He reported that the Monterey County Regional Taxi Authority is looking at all taxis to accept credit card payments, and announced that the City of Marina has joined the Regional Taxi Authority.

Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District – Amy Clymo reported that on September 16, 2015, the District Board approved \$1.3 Million AB 2766 grants for direct emissions reduction project grants, including funding for the Monterey-Salinas Transit Line 10 extension, Monterey-Salinas Transit SR 218/Fremont Street BRT and City of Monterey North Fremont Street/Del Monte Avenue Corridors.

11. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Hale announced that there are upcoming bicycle safety workshops in the month of October. She said farewell to Mark McCumsey of Caltrans District 5, noting that he has been participating in TAMC meetings for over 14 years. He is moving on to a position with the Caltrans District 11 office in San Diego. She announced that the Ciclovía Salinas will take place on Sunday, October 25, 2015 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM TRANSPORTATION AGENCY MEMBERS

Board members Potter and Beach thanked the County of Monterey for and the City of Carmel for collaborating on the repaving of Rio Road, which was finished just in time for the celebration of the canonization of Father Serra at the Carmel Mission. They thanked TAMC for providing the money for striping the new bike lanes, which has also helped slow down traffic.

Vice Chair Armenta thanked Executive Director Hale for moving forward with the special legislation SB 705 and he also thanked staff Ms. Watson, Chair Craig and Board member Potter for all their efforts.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Craig adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m.