

TAMC STAFF	FEB 15	MAR 15	APR 15	MAY 15	JUN 15	AUG 15	SEP 15	OCT 15	DEC 15	JAN 16	FEB 16
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	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	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
L. Terry, Accountant Assistant	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
C. Watson, Principal Trans. Planner	P	E	P	P	E	E	P	P	P	P	P
M. Zeller, Senior Trans. Planner	P	E	P	P	P	P	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	Eric Petersen	Salinas resident
Tim O'Halloran	City of Seaside	Rich Deal	City of Monterey
Alex Vasquez	Access Monterey Peninsula	Steve Erland	Public resident
Mario Romo	Access Monterey Peninsula	Natalie Zayas Delgado	City of Marina resident
Terry Feinberg	Moxxy Marketing	Scott Waltz	FORTAG
Meagan Edwards	Moxxy Marketing	Arthur Mc Loughlin	City of Salinas resident
Rob Russell	City of Salinas	Kalah Bumba	Public resident
Louise Iredell	Oak Hills resident	Joel Trice	Monterey off Road Cycling Ass.
MacGregor Eddy	We Could Car Less	Cynthia Suverkrop	Oak Hills resident
Phillis Meurer	Herald editor	Caine Camarillo	MPRPD
Greg Netzorg	City of Monterey resident	Tony Uzzle	Carpenters Union
Robin Lee	City of Salinas resident	Catherine Crockett	City of Seaside resident
Margaret Dawn	Public resident	Jeanette Pantoja	Bldg. Healthy Communities
Kay Cline	City of Seaside	Gene Doherty	City of Marina resident
Kim Stemler	MCVGA	Meredith Evans	Office of Senator Cannella
Rachel Saunders	Big Sur Land Trust	Kevin Dayton	Labor Issue Solutions
Shirmaine Jones	Charter school	Gail Morton	City of Marina resident
Jean Carpenter	Public resident	Bill Weigh	City of Seaside resident
Dale Ellis	City of Salinas resident	John Narigi	Hospitality Association
Doug Yount	Monterey Peninsula Chamber	Kathy Biola	Public resident
Chris Cain	Public resident	Jody Hansen	City of Monterey resident

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Armenta called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., and led the pledge of allegiance.

1.1 ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

No items this month.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Childs, Prunedale, made comments regarding the upcoming tax measure and noted that residents need walking and bicycling trails including connections to Castroville and Moss Landing. Chair Armenta reminded members of the public that any other comments of this nature would be taken under Item 6 regarding the Transportation Investment Plan

Cynthia Suverkrop, Oak Hills resident expressed concern on the accessibility of 156 toll road. She noted that while the business community's concerns are eased with discounted tolls, financial accessibility for residents are still a concern. She noted even a discounted charge is too expensive for poorer residents. In conclusion Ms. Suverkrop noted that all they want is a safe and efficient road to be accessible (free) to all.

Arthur McLoughlin, Oak Hills resident noted that traffic is increasing and it's not just the tourists and long distance commuters. He noted reduced toll fees will encourage use of the new toll facility.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Delgado/Bodem/unanimous

The Board approved the consent agenda as follows:

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 January 27, 2016.
- 3.1.2** Accepted the list of checks written for January 2016 and credit card statements for the months of December 2015.
- 3.1.3** Received report on conferences attended by agency staff.
- 3.1.4** Regarding prepayment of TAMC's Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68 unfunded net pension liability:
1. Received a report regarding the prepayment of the current calculated unfunded net pension liability of the Agency's according to Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions", and,
 2. Authorized the Executive Director to make a payment of \$550,842 to California Public Employee Retirement System to pay off the Agency's current net pension liability.
- 3.1.5** Regarding Prefunding of TAMC's Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 45 unfunded liabilities:
1. Received a report regarding the prefunding of the estimated current calculated unfunded liabilities of the Agency's Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 45 Other Post-Employment Benefits; and
 2. Approved the Agency to continue with the pay as you go basis and with the reserve already set aside.

3.1.6 Regarding revised Standard Contract Templates for Professional Services:

1. Approved four revised templates for use by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County in contracting for professional services;
2. Authorized the Executive Director to approve changes to templates when such changes are required by Caltrans guidelines;
3. Directed staff, when seeking Board approval of a Professional Services Agreement, to present the payment amount, scope of work, work schedule, payment provisions, funding source, deliverables and any material changes to template terms and conditions of all future agreements for professional services, without the need to attach the entire agreement; and
4. Authorized the Executive Director to sign the template agreements or sign the agreements with minor changes if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency Counsel.

BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES

3.2.1 Adopted Resolution 2016-03 apportioning Local Transportation Funds for Fiscal Year 2016-17 in the amount of \$15,500,000.

3.2.2 Approved appointment of Mark Lasnik representing City of Salinas as an alternate to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee.

PLANNING

3.3.1 No items this month.

PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING

3.4.1 Approved the Construction Contract Administration Policies and Procedures Manual.

3.4.2 Authorized staff to partner with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Santa Cruz Regional Transportation Commission, and the San Luis Obispo County Council of Governments in a joint request for Proposals for the operation of call box answering center.

3.4.3 Approved the request by the City of Monterey to program \$367,985 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds to the North Fremont Boulevard bike lanes project; and \$117,765 of RSTP Competitive funds for the Holman Highway 68 Roundabout Project to TAMC for project related public outreach efforts; and Approved the allocation of \$450,018 in programmed Regional Development Impact Fees for the Holman Highway 68 Roundabout.

3.4.4 Approved the request by the City of Carmel to program \$128,102 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds to the Carpenter Street overlay project' and approved amending Exhibit A of the local funding agreement to include this project and funding.

3.4.5 Regarding Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways Agreement with the California Highway Patrol:

1. Approved the use of \$1,850 in Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways funds for call box program administration and to make administrative changes if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency counsel; and
2. Authorized Executive Director to execute an agreement with the CHP for call box program administration and to make administrative changes if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency counsel.

RAIL PROGRAM

- 3.5.1** Approved membership in the Coast Rail Coordinating Council with annual membership dues of \$1,500 per year and authorized the Executive Director to execute documents necessary to formalize membership dues.
- 3.5.2** Authorized the Executive Director to execute a lease of Monterey Branch Line property with Martial Molinari.

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 February 3, 2016
 - Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee – Draft February 3, 2016
 - Rail Policy Committee – Draft February 1, 2016
 - Technical Advisory Committee – No meeting

4. UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS PUBLIC HEARING

Board chair Armenta opened a public hearing on unmet transit needs;
No public comments were made; Chair Armenta closed the public hearing.

Virginia Murillo, Associate Transportation Planner, reported that the Transportation Agency annually conducts outreach to identify unmet transit needs. This unmet needs process is associated with the Local Transportation Fund, which is one of two designated funding sources for public transit created by the Transportation Development Act. Because the Agency no longer allocates Local Transportation Funds to local streets and roads, the Agency is no longer required to adopt a finding on unmet transit needs. However, the Agency still must solicit public input on unmet transit needs.

Ms. Murillo noted that all comments are reviewed with MST staff to consider options to implement requests and to evaluate comments. The Agency's deadline for accepting public comments and questionnaires on unmet transit needs for consideration as part of the Agency's annual unmet transit needs process is April 30, 2016.

Committee member Salinas noted that Gonzales residents and farm workers have comments but couldn't attend. Virginia Murillo noted that MST Mobility Advisory Committee will also be holding a public hearing at their March meeting and comment period closes on April 30, 2016.

5. 2016 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - REVISED

M/S/C Parker/Phillips/unanimous

Approved Resolution 2016-04 adopting the revised Monterey County 2016 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is a five-year program of state highway, rail and local transportation projects funded with revenues from state and federal fuel taxes, and that the 2016 STIP covers fiscal years 2016/17 through 2020/21. Due to declining revenue forecasts, the Transportation Agency must now resubmit its 2016 Regional Transportation Improvement Program to remove \$6.9 million worth of projects and delay other projects to match state funding availability. Mr. Zeller noted Agency staff has consulted with project sponsors to address the lack of new funding. The new proposal focuses on maintaining project schedules for projects close to construction; the primary changes involve removing state funding from the US 101 South County Frontage Roads project, and reducing funding for the State Route 156 project.

6. TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND INVESTMENT PLAN

M/S/C Craig/LeBarre/Passed
Noes: Huitt

The Board reviewed and discussed the final draft Transportation Safety and Investment Plan and approved the local/regional split 60/40 and the 50% population/50% lane miles formula for distribution of local funds; approved the projects and programs on the regional list with the exception of deferring the decision to fund either the Del Monte/Lighthouse project or the Holman Highway project; adopted a cost-sharing policy following the local/regional split for payment of election costs based thereon, should the measure not be approved; and agreed to bring back at a future date the final Transportation Safety and Investment Plan for TAMC consideration prior to adoption by the cities and the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.

Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator/Associate Transportation Planner, reported the Agency's Board of Directors approved and authorized the release of a draft Transportation Safety and Investment Plan for public comments on December 2, 2015. Based upon public comment, and input from the Agency's ad hoc committee and the community leader's task force, a revised final Transportation Safety and Investment Plan was presented for Board adoption. The revised plan proposes that the funding be split 60% for local road repair and safety projects, and 40% for regional safety and mobility projects, and that certain regional projects be deleted (River Road, Holman Highway, Downtown Safety/Walkability) or have funding reduced (US 101, Safe Routes to Schools, Fort Ord Trail) to account for this shift. The revised plan also proposes that the local roads funding be distributed by formula based 50% on population and 50% on road miles. The County of Monterey indicated that it would be willing to pay for the River Road maintenance work out of its funding share.

Board member Comments

Board member Huitt expressed concern with the decision made to cut the Holman Highway 68 safety improvements from the Transportation Investment Plan project list. He further added that he supported the measure, but thought that the 50/50 split between local and regional projects sounds good and fair.

Board member Smith concurred that there is a need for Holman Highway 68 funding.

Board member Beach asked for clarification on the source of the population data to be used in the local formula distribution. She also expressed concern that using only population and road miles in the distribution formula doesn't reflect the impacts of non-residents. She added that everyone should be united in support once the plan is adopted.

Board member Parker indicated her support for the 50 local /50 regional split and 50% population /50% lane miles formula. She added that a lot of work had gone into creating a balanced program according to those formulas.

Board member Phillips suggested that funding should go towards trails throughout the county, not just FORTAG. After hearing public testimony, he noted that given the public support, he would be willing to move forward with FORTAG on the list.

Board member Delgado stated the importance of accountability, noting that the FORTAG project is very specific and has been significantly vetted and is strongly supported. He added that part of the trail includes the Veterans Memorial Trail. He noted that the FORTAG project only comprises 3% of the total program funding and that funding this project is important.

Board member Salinas indicated the importance of moving together on the program and that the FORTAG project an organized group of supporters who will help mobilize voters. He also supports the 60/40 split to fix potholes.

Board member Chavez noted that the 50% population/50% lane miles is the only way to keep funding equitable across the board and support poorer areas such as South County.

Board member Huerta noted that the Salinas Valley has a lot of commuters and supporters for the 50/50 split. He added that the US 101 corridor safety improvements would be a great project.

Public Comment:

The following individuals spoke of support for the measure only if the \$20 million as currently listed are maintained to implementation/development of the Fort Ord Recreational Trail and Greenway (FORTAG): Fred Watson, Andre Lewis (Cal State Monterey Bay), Natalie Zayas Delgado, Margaret Davis, Joel Trice (Monterey Off Road Cycling Association), Kay Cline, Catherine Crockett, Bill Weigh, Rachel Saunders (Big Sur Land Trust), Kathy Biala, Chris Cain, Greg Netzorg, Joan Carpenter (California State Parks), Gene Doherty, Gail Morton, Eric Petersen, Caine Camarillo (Monterey Peninsula Regional Parks District) and Robin Lee.

Kim Stemler, on behalf of Monterey County Vintners Growers Association, expressed that they will rescind their current opposition if the County agrees to fund the River Road project out of its share.

John Narigi, Monterey County Hospitality Association Government Affairs, expressed that there has been only a short period of time to review the draft Transportation Investment Plan. He supports the 60/40 split and noted that the regional dollars should be for truly regional projects. He doesn't believe the Del Monte project is regional and noted that Highways 68 and 1 are the key commute corridors. He supports the River Road project. He stated that \$40 million is going into projects that have nothing to do with roads, and added his concern that \$45 million is not enough for Highway 68. He concluded by saying that the list needs to be reevaluated to get Hospitality's support.

Dale Ellis, Monterey County Hospitality Association, echoed Mr. Narigi's concerns and noted the need for more specificity in cost and benefit analysis of projects. He also supports the River Road project.

Doug Yount, Monterey Peninsula Chamber, noted the need for measure to pass to secure matching funds from Federal and State sources. He expressed the need to stand together behind the final Transportation Investment plan once it is adopted.

Jeanette Pantoja, Building Healthy Communities East Salinas, noted that they support the 50/50 formula for local roads to establish equity in South County Cities. She expressed that a lot of stakeholder outreach has been happening with several opportunities to make comments about the Investment Plan. She supports the funding for transit.

Jody Hansen, Monterey Peninsula Chamber, expressed the support of 60/40 split and noted her top concern is road maintenance and filling potholes. She noted that regional projects should be highway projects along current corridors. She stated that the other projects are local projects that should be delegated to local jurisdictions and noted that FORTAG should be a FORA responsibility. She asked to remove habitat mitigation from the project list.

7. DRAFT OVERALL WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET (FY16/17 – FY18/19)

M/S/C Salinas/ LeBarre/unanimous

The Board Authorized the Executive Director to submit the draft fiscal year 2016/17 budget and overall work program to state funding agencies for initial review; and directed the Executive Director to bring the final three-year budget and one-year overall work program back to the Board on May 25, 2016 for approval.

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

None this month.

9. REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS

Caltrans – Tim Gubbins, Caltrans, reported that the federal TIGER applications are due on April 5, 2016.

Monterey Regional Airport District – Bill Sabo reported that airport operations were successful during the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am event and noted that there were no evident effects from the Super Bowl.

Monterey-Salinas Transit District – – No report this month.

Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District – No report this month.

10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

None this month.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM TRANSPORTATION AGENCY MEMBERS

None this month.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Armenta adjourned the meeting at 11:49 a.m.