

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee**

Final Minutes of May 7, 2025

Transportation Agency for Monterey County

55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas CA 93901

Voting Members	SEP 24	OCT 24	NOV 24	JAN 25	FEB 25	MAR 25	APR 25	MAY 25
Eric Petersen, District 1	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(VC)
Victor Tafoya– District 2 <i>(David Tavares)</i>	P	P	P(VC)	A	P	P	E	P
Mike Novo – District 3, Chair <i>(Nathalie Gomez)</i>	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jeff Wriedt, District 4 <i>(Frank Henderson)</i>	P	P	P(EM)	P	P	P	P	P
District 5 – vacant <i>(vacant)</i>	P	P	E	P	P	-	-	-
D. L. Johnson, Carmel-By-The Sea, Vice Chair	P	A	P	P	P	P	E	P
Del Rey Oaks – vacant	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gonzales – vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ernest Gallardo, Greenfield	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
King City – vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liesbeth Visscher, Marina	P	P	E	E	P	P	P	P
Gino Garcia, Monterey <i>(Abby Ostovar)</i>	P	A	E	A	E	P	P	E
Pacific Grove - vacant <i>(Lester Brown)</i>	P	A	P	E	E	A	A	-
Chris Flescher, Salinas <i>(vacant)</i>	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Elizabeth (Libby) Sofer, Sand City	E	E	E	A	P	P	P	E
Ralph Wege, Seaside <i>(Jan Valencia)</i>	P	A	P	A	P	P	P	E
Soledad – Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Natalie Florez, Monterey Salinas Transit <i>(Michelle Overmeyer)</i>	P	P	P	E	P	P*	P	P
Mark Chaffey, Velo Club of Monterey <i>(Alex Capelli)</i>	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P
N. County Recreation & Park District – vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salinas Public Works – vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Monterey County Public Works – vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Caltrans - District 5 – vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
AMBAG <i>(Will Condon)</i>	A	A		A	A	A	A	A
CSUMB – vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

E – Excused
P(A) – Alternate
A – Absent
AB 2449 Emergency =EM/ Public Health=PH
VC – Video Conference
TC – Teleconference
* – first meeting

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF	SEP 24	OCT 24	NOV 24	JAN 25	FEB 25	MAR 25	APR 25	MAY 25
Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer	A	P	A	P	P	A	A	A
Amelia Conlen, Senior Transportation Planner	A	A	A	A	A	A	P(VC)	A
Ariana Green, Principal Transportation Planner	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Alissa Guther, Transportation Planner	A	P	A	A	A	A	A	A
Aaron Hernandez, Transportation Planner	A	P(VC)	A	A	A	P(VC)	A	P
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Ariadne Sambrano, Transportation Planner	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	A
Janneke Strause, Associate Transportation Planner	A	P	P	P(VC)	P(VC)	A	A	A
Christina Watson, Director of Planning	P	P	P	P(VC)	P	P	P	A
OTHERS PRESENT:								
	Nathalie Gomez	District 3 Alternate		Tyler LeSage	Caltrans			
	Mari Lynch	Public		Hans Hoffman Jr	Salinas Resident			

1. Chair Novo called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. A quorum was established, and Maria Montiel took roll call.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C Wriedt/ Gallardo/ passed

Abstained: DL Johnson

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of April 2, 2025, with a minor edit to public comment.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. COUNTY OF MONTEREY PAJARO TO PRUNDALE CORRIDOR STUDY & G12 CORRIDOR UPDATE

The Committee received a presentation on the Pajaro to Prunedale Corridor Study and current progress on safety improvement projects along the G12 Corridor.

Randy Ishii, Director of Public Works, reported that in collaboration with the Transportation Agency and Caltrans, they conducted the “Pajaro to Prunedale Corridor Study” to evaluate the feasibility of safety and operational improvements along the G12 Corridor, which extends from Pajaro to Prunedale. He noted that the study analyzed travel patterns, roadway conditions, and safety data to identify multi-modal improvement opportunities that align with regional transportation goals and preserve the unique characteristics of the Elkhorn Slough area.

In conclusion Mr. Ishii reported that the G12 Corridor, comprising San Miguel Canyon Road, Hall Road, and Salinas Road, has become a heavily used alternative to State Route 1 and State Route 156, despite being originally designed for rural traffic. He noted that increased demand has created safety, congestion, and access challenges. The G12 corridor has seen increased traffic volumes due to past regional development projects, making the corridor study vital in addressing current challenges and planning for future growth.

The Committee had the following comments and input on the Prunedale Corridor Study & G12 Corridor Update:

- Consider working on safety driver improvements
- Issues on the 90-degree right-turn to the highway since most bicyclist use Prunedale Road and San Miguel Road
- Coordinate with Monterey-Salinas Transit on the ADA upgrades on San Miguel Canyon Road
- Work with the City of Watsonville on pedestrian and bike safety improvements
- Consider physical barriers near Pajaro Middle School
- Consider working with law enforcement to slow drivers down
- Unsafe bicycling crossings of San Miguel and Royal Oaks
- Construction zones create safety issues for pedestrians and cyclists
- Coordinate with the City of Watsonville and Pajaro Community on public engagement
- Consider general education on vehicle traffic and around bicyclist

5. **KING CITY SAN ANTONIO DRIVE AND BROADWAY BIKE PATH/STREET ROUNDABOUT PROJECT UPDATE**

The Committee received a presentation on the King City San Antonio Drive/Broadway Street Bike Path and Safe Routes to Schools Improvements Project, including progress on the roundabout designs and environmental review process.

Octavio Hurtado, Director of Public Works & City Engineer, City of King City reported that the San Antonio Drive/Broadway Street Bike Path and Safe Routes to Schools Improvements Project includes construction of a 1.6-mile paved bicycle and pedestrian path and three roundabouts along San Antonio Drive from Mildred Avenue to Broadway Street. He noted that to enhance safety and connectivity, the project reduces vehicle travel lanes and crossing distances and installs a 14-foot-wide shared-use trail with 5-foot landscaped buffers on both sides of the corridor. Mr. Hurtado noted that these improvements are designed to reduce motor vehicle conflicts and support active transportation.

In conclusion Mr. Hurtado noted that public outreach efforts included a City Council presentation and a public workshop, where attendees were shown traffic analysis results and renderings. The city has since advertised design services and is currently reviewing proposal to move into final design and implementation.

The Committee has made the following comments and input on the Moving with Purpose Project and Bike Month:

- Consider improvements on Metz Road and San Antonio
- Consider general education to the community on how to navigate on the roundabout
- Continue to promote the project videos
- Consider flashing beacons for pedestrian crossings
- Consider resources to be bilingual

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS

Aaron Hernandez, Transportation Planner announced the FORTAG California Ave Community Meeting scheduled for May 19, 2025, in Marina.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Novo adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.