

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

MEETING HELD AT THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY OFFICE

55-B Plaza Cir., Salinas CA 93901

Alternate Location: 2616 1st Avenue, Marina, California 93933, Supervisor Askew's Office

Draft Minutes of Thursday, September 4, 2025

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	OCT 24	NOV 24	JAN 25	FEB 25	MAR 25	APR 25	MAY 25	JUN 25	JUL 25	AUG 25	SEP 25
Javier Hernandez, Carmel-by-the-Sea (Robert Culver)	P(VC)	P(VC)	C	P	P	P	P	P	N	P	P
John Guertin, Del Rey Oaks	A	A	A	A	-	A	A	A	O	A	A
Patrick Dobbins Gonzales (vacant)	P	P	N	E	E	P	E	P	M	E	E
Jamie Tugel, Greenfield, Chair (Doug Pike)	E	P	C	P	E	P	P	P	E	E	P
Octavio Hurtado, King City (Steve Adams)	A	P	E	P	P	A	E	P	E	P	P
Nourdin Khayata, Marina (Edrie Delos Santos)	A	P	L	A	A	A	A	A	T	A	A
Marissa Garcia, Monterey (Andrea Renny, Fernanda Roveri)	P	P	L	E	P	P	P	P	I	P	P
Daniel Gho, Pacific Grove (Joyce Halabi)	P	A	E	P(VC)	P(VC)	P(VC)	P(VC)	A	N	A	P
David Jacobs, Salinas Vice Chair (Adrian Robles)	P	P	D	P	P	P	A	P	G	P	P
Leon Gomez, Sand City (Vibeke Norgaard)	P	P	M	P	P	P(VC)	P	P		P	P
Paul Ensley, Seaside (Leslie Llantero, Thomas Korman)	E	P(A)	E	A	P(A)	E	A	A		P	P(A)
Don Wilcox, Soledad (Alex Ramos, Kao Nou Yang)	P	P	E	E	P	P	P	A		A	
Chad Alinio, MCPW (Enrique Saavedra)	A	A	T	P(A)	P	A	A	A		P(A)	
Chris Duymich, AMBAG (Paul Hierling, Heather Adamson)	P(VC)	P	I	P	P	P	P	P		P	
Tyler LeSage, Caltrans (Kelly McClendon, Jill Leal)	P	P(VC)	N	P(A)	P	P	P	P(VC)		P	
Kyle Jordan CSUMB	A	A	G	-	-	A	A	A		A	
Tyrone Bell, MBARD	A	P		E	-	A	A	A		A	
Vince Dang, MST (Michelle Overmeyer)	P	P(VC)		P(VC)	P(VC)	P(VC)	P(VC)	P		P(A)	

P = Present

A = Absent

P(A) = Alternate Present

E = Excused

(VC) = Video conference

STAFF	OCT 24	NOV 24	JAN 25	FEB 25	MAR 25	APR 25	MAY 25	JUN 25	JUL 25	AUG 25	SEP 25
T. Muck, Executive Director	P	P	C	P	E	P	P	P	N	P	
C. Watson, Director of Planning	P(VC)	P(VC)	A	A	P(VC)	P(VC)	E	P(VC)	O		
M. Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery	A		N	P	P(VC)	A	P(A)	P(VC)	M		
D. Bilsse, Principal Engineer	P	P	C	P	P	P(VC)	P	P	E	P	
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	E	E	P	
J. Strause, Assoc. Transp. Planner	P(VC)	P(VC)	L	A	A	P	P(VC)	P	T		
T. Wright, Community Outreach Coord.	A	A	L	A	A	A	E	E	I		
L. Williamson, Senior Engineer	A	A	E	A	P(VC)	A	A	P(VC)	N		
A. Hernandez, Transportation Planner	P(VC)	A	D	P	A	P(VC)	P	P(VC)	G		
A. Conlen, Sr. Transportation Planner						P	P(VC)	P			
A. Guther, Transportation Planner	P(VC)	A		A	A	P(VC)	A	E			
J. Kise, Director of Finance and Admin.	P(VC)	A		A	A	A	A	E			
A. Sambrano, Transportation Planner		P	A		P(VC)	A	A	A	P(VC)		

OTHERS PRESENT:

Thomas Korman, City of Seaside

Patrick Dobbins City of Gonzales

1. QUORUM CHECK – CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Jacobs, City of Salinas, called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

M / S / C: Gomez / Garcia
Abstain: Michell Overmeyer

3.1 Approved the Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes for June 5, 2025.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. 2025 COORDINATED PLAN

The Committee received a presentation and provided input on the Draft 2025 Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan.

Regina Valentine, AMBAG reported that the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) is required to develop a Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan for the tri-county region. She noted that the plan identifies local transportation needs for seniors, persons with disabilities, and persons of limited means to facilitate applications for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Transportation for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities funding program.

Ms. Valentine noted that the Draft 2025 Coordinated Plan will be presented at various meetings throughout the region, including the Technical Advisory Committees of each County’s Regional Transportation Planning Agencies and other transportation-related committees. The public comment period will close September 26, 2025.

5. CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE AND ONE-WAY CONVERSION PROJECTS

The Committee reviewed and provided input on issues related to one-way conversion projects.

Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer, reported that Monterey County staff have been working with Transportation Agency staff on projects intended to restrict vehicular access on public roads. He noted that the primary objective of these projects is to address traffic that is using local streets to bypass the congested state highways by rerouting drivers back onto the highway network. He noted that local government must use the proper authority and reference the correct vehicle codes when reviewing and approving these types of projects.

Mr. Bilse noted that Agency staff found an interesting differentiation between road closures, partial road closures and conversions of roads from travel in two directions of travel to a single direction of travel.

Executive Director Todd Muck noted that we can work on adding an item to the legislative list that would better enable agencies to implement these types of complete street projects.

The committee had the following comments and input on the California Vehicle Code and One Way conversions projects:

- Consider project intended to make downtowns pedestrian and bicycle friendly
- Consider general plan discussions needed to implement these types of projects

- Consider complete street projects in school zones to address safety concerns

6. MID-CYCLE COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

M / S / C: Garcia / Saavedra

Abstain: Michell Overmeyer

The Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve programming \$10.5 million of Regional Surface Transportation Program funds for a Mid-cycle Competitive Grant Program of Projects.

Janneke Strause, Associate Transportation Planner reported that Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds are distributed to eligible agencies on a three-year cycle through the Transportation Agency’s Competitive Grant Program. She noted that the next cycle of the Competitive Grant Program is in 2026. Ms. Strause noted that the Mid-cycle Competitive Grant Program establishes a new, one-time funding opportunity prior to the 2026 Competitive Grant Program with the objective of expediting the disbursement of available RSTP funds.

In conclusion Ms. Strause noted that to expedite the use of these funds, this proposal focuses on projects that are “shovel ready”. Agency staff reached out to local agencies to confirm funding needs for projects that are more than 50% complete with design and ready to release bids for construction. Staff received 15 funding requests of the 15 requests, 7 have completed design and will release bids for construction between August 2025- and February 2026 and three projects are currently under construction. Ms. Strause noted that all jurisdictions will be eligible to propose new projects for the next regular cycle of the Competitive Grant Program in 2026.

The Transportation Agency recommends funding the following program of 10 projects with the Mid-cycle Competitive Grant funds for a total of \$10.5 million:

- City of Gonzales - Fifth Street Truck Ban Signage
- City of Greenfield - Walnut Avenue Pedestrian and Bikeway Improvement Project
- City of King - U.S. Highway 101/Broadway Street at San Antonio Drive Roundabout Improvement Project
- City of Marina - Imjin Parkway & 3rd Avenue Signal Improvements Project
- City of Monterey - Madison/Hermann/Larkin Traffic Circle
- City of Salinas - Boronda Road Congestion Relief Project (Phase 1)
- City of Sand City - West End Improvement Project
- City of Seaside - Broadway Corridor Improvements
- City of Soledad - West Street Road Diet and Complete Streets Project
- County of Monterey - Laureles Grade/Carmel Valley Road Roundabout

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tyler LeSage, Caltrans announced that staff will be bringing an item on Planning Grant funds at a future meeting date.

8. ADJOURN

Vice Chair Jacobs adjourned the meeting at 10:11 a.m.