**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

*Members: Luis Alejo (Chair),
Ed Smith (1st Vice Chair), Mary Adams (2nd Vice Chair),
Robert Huitt (Past Chair),
Chris Lopez (County representative), Michael LeBarre (City representative)*

**Wednesday, October 7, 2020**

*** 9:00 a.m. ***

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* TC: via teleconference; VC: via Zoom video conference *
1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Alejo called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed, with six members in attendance (as noted above).

   Staff present: Goel, Hale, Muck, Rodriguez, and Watson.
   Others present: Agency Counsel Kay Reimann; Gus Khouri, Legislative Analyst; County Counsel Katherine Hansen and Grant Leonard, City of Monterey.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
   None this month.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
   
   **M/S/C LeBarre/Smith/unanimous**

   On a motion by Committee Member LeBarre and seconded by Committee Member Smith, the committee voted 6-0 to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of September 2, 2020.

4. **STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE & DRAFT 2021 PROGRAM**

   Gus Khouri, Agency state legislative consultant, reported that the Legislature adjourned on August 31, noting the Governor had until September 30 to sign or veto legislation. He stated that the Governor may call a special legislative session on the budget due to the COVID-19-related shortfall, but that has not yet been decided. He also noted that the new class of members will be sworn in on December 2, 2020. Transportation Committee Chair Senator Jim Beall has termed out, so there will be new leadership of that committee.

   Despite COVID-19, TAMC had great success this year. Bills signed into law include the Agency-sponsored SB 1231 (Monning) that enables the Department of Fish and Wildlife to authorize a permit for the take of the Santa Cruz long-toed salamander and empowers Caltrans to move forward with the State Route 156 project. Mr. Khouri thanked TAMC staff for gathering a large number of support letters for the bill and for working with Caltrans, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the environmental community in advance.

   Chair Alejo commented there was nothing simple about this legislative year, even for district-specific bills, and he recognized how hard Mr. Khouri, the staff team and Senator Monning worked to get SB 1231 passed. He suggested holding a celebration at the board meeting and inviting Senator Monning to thank him for not only his work on this bill, but also for his public service and support for transportation issues over his time in office.

   Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reviewed the 2020 legislative program and made suggestions on which issues to carry over to 2021, which to delete, and new
issues to add. After discussion, the Committee recommended changes to reflect issues that are likely to be important in 2021, such as protection of voter intent in use of transportation funding, implementation of the various executive orders related to transportation, support of broadband capacity to bridge the digital divide and encourage telecommuting, and (at the federal level) increased local control over the siting of 5G hardware.

5. **TAMC DRAFT AGENDA**

Deputy Executive Director Muck reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of October 28, 2020. After Executive Committee discussion, the following are some of the items will be considered on the regular agenda:

- Recognition of Senator William Monning
- State Legislative Update & Draft 2021 Program
- Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway Canyon Del Rey Segment (Phase 1) Final Design and Right-of-Way Contract
- SURF! Busway and Rapid Transit Project
- Prunedale Improvement Project Right of Way Rescission

On the consent agenda, the Board will consider actions on several items including:

- The Maynard Group - Contract Amendment #1
- Transportation Excellence Awards Nominations
- Transportation Agency Telework Policy
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee - North County Recreation and Parks District
- State Legislative Advocate Contract

6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None this month.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Alejo adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.