EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Members are: Luis Alejo, Chair; Ed Smith, 1st Vice Chair; Mary Adams, 2nd Vice Chair; Robert Huit, Past Chair; Chris Lopez, County Representative; Michael LeBarre, City Representative

Wednesday, October 7, 2020

**9:00 AM**

REMOTE CONFERENCE ONLY

There will be NO physical location of the meeting.

Please see all the special meeting instructions at the end of the agenda.

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1. ROLL CALL

Call to order and self-introductions. If you are unable to attend, please contact Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant. Your courtesy to the other members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any member of the public may address the Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Committee. Under this item, each member of the public is allowed three minutes to address concerns. Comments in items on this agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed. Persons who wish to address the Committee for public comment or on an item on the agenda are encouraged to submit comments in writing to Maria at maria@tamcmonterey.org by
5:00 pm the Monday before the meeting, and such comments will be distributed to the Committee before the meeting.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

   Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

3.1 **APPROVE** Executive Committee draft minutes of September 2, 2020.

   - Rodriguez

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

4. **RECEIVE** update on state legislative issues and **DISCUSS** topics for the 2021 draft legislative program.

   - Watson/Khourii

   *Staff and legislative analyst Gus Khouri will present a state legislative update and request input for the 2021 legislative program.*


   - Muck

6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

7. **ADJOURN**

   Next Executive Committee meeting is:
   Wednesday, November 4, 2020
   There will be no Executive Committee meeting in December.
   Please mark your calendars.

**Important Meeting Information**

**Remote Meetings:** On March 12, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20, which enhances State and Local Governments ability to respond to COVID-19 Pandemic based on Guidance for Gatherings issued by the California Department of Public Health. The Executive Order specifically allows local legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically, in order to protect public health. The public is strongly encouraged to use the Zoom app for best reception. Prior to
the meeting, participants should download the Zoom app at: https://zoom.us/download. A link to simplified instruction for the use of the Zoom app is: https://blog.zoom.us/wordpress/2018/07/03/video-communications-best-practice-guide/.

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Agenda Packet and Documents: Any person who has a question concerning an item on this agenda may call or email the Agency office to make inquiry concerning the nature of the item described on the agenda. Complete agenda packets are on display online at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County website. Documents relating to an item on the open session that are distributed to the Committee less than 72 hours prior to the meeting shall be available for public review at the Agency website. Agency contact information is as follows:

Transportation Agency for Monterey County
www.tamcmonterey.org
Office is closed an all employees are working remotely until further notice
TEL: 831-775-0903
EMAIL: info@tamcmonterey.org

Agenda Items: The agenda will be prepared by Agency staff and will close at noon nine (9) working days before the regular meeting. Any member of the Committee may request in writing an item to appear on the agenda. The request shall be made by the agenda deadline and any supporting papers must be furnished by that time or be readily available.

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CORRESPONDENCE, MEDIA CLIPPINGS, AND REPORTS - No items this month.
Memorandum

To: Executive Committee
From: Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant and Clerk of the Board
Meeting Date: October 7, 2020
Subject: Executive Committee draft minutes

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
APPROVE Executive Committee draft minutes of September 2, 2020.

ATTACHMENTS:
- Executive Committee Draft minutes of September 2, 2020
DRAFT MINUTES

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREeways EMERGENCIES AND MONTEREY COUNTY
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT Fee JOINT POWERS AGENCY

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

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

Wednesday, September 2, 2020
*** 9:00 a.m. ***
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TC: via teleconference; VC: via Zoom video conference
1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed, with five members in attendance (as noted above). Chair Alejo arrived after the vote on the consent agenda.

   Staff present: Goel, Hale, Johnsen, Muck, Rodriguez, Burke-Vasquez, Watson, and Zeller. Others present: Agency Counsel Kay Reimann; Gus Khouri, Legislative Analyst; County Counsel Katherine Hansen and John Olejnik of Caltrans.

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

3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
   M/S/C Lopez/ Adams/unanimous

   On a motion by Committee Member Lopez and seconded by Committee Member Adams, the committee voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of August 5, 2020.

4. **CLOSED SESSION**

   The Committee held a closed session regarding Public Employee Performance Evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section §54957 – Position: Executive Director.

   **RECONVENED**

   Chair Alejo reconvened in open session and Agency Counsel Reimann announced that there was no reportable action taken.

5. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

   M/S/C LeBarre/Smith/unanimous

   On a motion by Committee Member LeBarre, seconded by Committee Member Smith, the committee voted 6-0 to receive an update on state and federal legislative activities and adopt positions on legislation on behalf of the Board of Directors as follows:

   - SB 146 (Beall) provides exemptions to in-person meeting requirements of Brown Act for transportation plan hearings – “support”; and
   - SB 1351 (Beall) creates a transportation improvement fee account for bonding for state highway projects and was amended to exclude competitive program funds – change from “oppose unless amended” to “watch”.

   Gus Khouri, Agency legislative consultant, reported that he is monitoring the implementation of the Governor’s Transportation Action Plan which focuses investments on reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and noted he is not sure if the Governor will call a special legislative session regarding the lack budget after the regular
session ends, due to the lack of new federal funding. Mr. Khouri reported that SB 1231, the TAMC-sponsored Route 156 salamander legislation, was approved by the Assembly and now awaits the Governor’s signature.

Committee member LeBarre asked if under the Governor’s Transportation Action Plan road funding could be redirected to projects such as rail service. Mr. Khouri responded that there are a couple competitive grant programs that fund rail projects now, but that voters have repeatedly approved restrictions on gas tax revenues being diverted away from road improvements.

6. **TAMC DRAFT AGENDA**
Deputy Executive Director Muck reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of September 23, 2020. After Executive Committee discussion, the following are some of the items will be considered on the regular agenda:
- MST Contactless Fare Payment Demo Program
- Go831 Smart Commute Challenge
- Closed session: Executive Director Evaluation – moved to the end of the agenda

On the consent agenda, the Board will consider actions on several items including:
- Federal Loan Actions for Monterey-Salinas Transit
- Monterey-Salinas Transit State of Good Repair Funds
- Legislative Update
- Fort Ord Dunes State Park Easement
- RideAmigos Contract Extension
- Quitclaim Deed from Marina Community Partners
- Associated Right of Way Services - Contract Amendment #1

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
None this month.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**
Chair Alejo adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE update on state legislative issues and DISCUSS topics for the 2021 draft legislative program.

SUMMARY:
Staff and legislative analyst Gus Khouri will present a state legislative update and request input for the 2021 legislative program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
Some of the bills on the list may have a financial impact on TAMC.

DISCUSSION:
Agency legislative analyst Gus Khouri will attend the meeting to present an update on state legislative activities and receive input on priorities for the Agency for 2021.

Web Attachment 1 is the final bill list. Bills signed into law include:
- Senate Bill (SB) 146 (Beall), which will provide an exemption from in-person Sustainable Community Strategy meetings as required by the Brown Act, through January 1, 2023.
- SB 288 (Wiener): CEQA Exemptions for Transit, which may assist Monterey-Salinas Transit in their SURFI busway project.
- TAMC’s 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 in order to empower Caltrans to move forward with the State Route 156 project.
- SB 1291 (Committee on Transportation), which suspends the submittal requirement for a Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) in 2020.
- SB 1459 (Caballero) which authorizes the California Transportation Commission to relinquish a segment of State Route 183 to the City of Salinas.

Web attachment 2 is the 2020 legislative program. Some of the priorities may carry over to 2021. Staff will present a legislative update and a draft program at the October 28, 2020 Board meeting, then will solicit input from the Rail Policy Committee, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee, and Technical Advisory Committee in November. Staff will also meet with partner agencies locally and statewide to discuss items for the program. This Committee will then receive an update and discuss the final draft program in January 2021, followed by adoption by the Board in January.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:
1. State bill list
2. TAMC 2020 Legislative Program