

TAMC STAFF	APR 15	MAY 15	JUN 15	AUG 15	SEP 15	OCT 15	DEC 15	JAN 16	FEB 16	MAR 16	APR 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	E	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	E	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	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
L. Terry, Accountant Assistant	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	P
C. Watson, Principal Trans. Planner	P	P	E	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Zeller, Senior Trans. Planner	P	P	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	Rachel Saunders	Big Sur Land Trust
Alex Vasquez	Access Monterey Peninsula	Terry Feinberg	Moxxy Marketing
Mario Romo	Access Monterey Peninsula	Reed Sanders	Public resident
MacGregor Eddy	We Could Car Less	Sean Houck	Kimley Horn

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

Director Hale reported the following correction to the April 27, 2016 agenda:

3.1.4 – Attachment 1, justifications for award of sole source contract replacement pages 358-360 on dais.

1.2 CLOSED SESSION

The Board held a closed session regarding the Real Estate negotiations: Pursuant to Government Code section §54956.8, confer with real property negotiators concerning the acquisition of one property for the Salinas train station.

Property: 16 Station Place, Salinas, CA

Agency negotiators: Mike Zeller, Christina Watson, Todd Muck

Negotiating parties: Favaloro Trust, DBA Frank's Fish Market

Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

RECONVENE in open session: Agency Counsel Reimann reported no action was taken.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Cynthia Suverkrop expressed concern on the delay and method of installing the radar speed readers on Highway 156. Board member Phillips concurred with Cynthia. Director Hale commented that she would follow up with Caltrans and provide a written notice at a future date.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Phillips/Orozco/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 March 23, 2016.

3.1.2 Accepted the list of checks written for March 2016 and credit card statements for the month of February 2016.

3.1.3 Received report on conferences attended by agency staff.

3.1.4 Regarding 2015-2016 Annual Report:

1. Authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract with Milestone Communications, Inc, (doing business as Monterey County Weekly), in an amount not to exceed \$74,000; to produce and distribute the Agency's 2015-2016 Annual Report;
2. Authorized the Agency to use \$65,000 in Agency funds budgeted to this project and to increase the budget by \$9,000, for a total of \$74,000;
3. Authorized the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the contract if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency Counsel; and,
4. Approved the sole source funding, attached.

3.1.5 Approved the updated *Procurement Policies and Procedures and Contract Management Manual*.

BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES

3.2.1 Regarding Triennial Transit Performance Audits:

1. Approved Request for Proposals for consultant assistance, to complete a Triennial Transit Performance Audit for the three-year period ending June 30, 2016; and
2. Directed staff to release the Request for Proposals to potential consultants.

PLANNING

3.3.1 Received state legislative update and adopted positions on bills of interest to the Agency.

3.3.2 Received federal legislative update.

PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING

3.4.1 Approved reassigning \$1,329,671 in RSTP competitive grant funds awarded to the County of Monterey for the Holman Highway 68 Roundabout Project to the City of Monterey.

3.4.2 Regarding EMC Contract Amendment #1:

1. Authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract amendment increasing the not to exceed amount by \$15,000 for a total of \$115,000 with EMC Research to conduct surveys;
2. Authorized the use of Agency undesignated reserve funds for this project; and
3. Authorized the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the contract if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency counsel.

3.4.3 Regarding CliffordMoss Contract Amendment #1/Printing Services:

1. Authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract amendment with CliffordMoss not to exceed \$25,000 to develop and design educational material,
2. Authorized the Executive Director to solicit and execute a contract(s) for printing services not to exceed \$25,000;
3. Authorized the use of undesignated reserve funds for these contracts; and
4. Authorized the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the agreements if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject of approval by Agency counsel.

RAIL PROGRAM

3.5.1 Regarding HDR Contract Amendment #1:

1. Authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract amendment not to exceed \$320,000 with HDR Engineering, Inc. for an updated Traffic Study, Surveying and a Project Report for improvements to Highway 183 near the Salinas Train station;
2. Authorized the use of state funds budgeted to this project;
3. Authorized the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the agreement if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost; and
4. Approve sole source finding.

3.5.2 Regarding Salinas Rail Extension Kick-Start Relocation Benefits:

Authorized the Executive Director to execute a lost rent agreement with Elaine Molinari, as Trustee of the Elaine M. Molinari Revocable Trust, in an amount not-to-exceed \$67,200, to potential lost rent at 17 Station Place, Salinas, CA while acquisition negotiations proceed;

1. Approved the use of lease revenue reserves budgeted to this purpose; and
2. Authorized the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the agreement if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency counsel.

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 March 2, 2016
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee – Draft March 2, 2016
(online at www.tamcmonterey.org)
- Rail Policy Committee – Draft March 7, 2016
- Technical Advisory Committee – Draft March 3, 2016
(online at www.tamcmonterey.org)

4. CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION FOR OUTGOING TAMC BOARD MEMBERS.

M/S/C Huerta/Edelen/unanimous

The Board approved certificates of Appreciation for outgoing TAMC Board members Jason Burnett and alternate Victoria Beach representing the City of Carmel, most notably for Mayor Burnett's leadership roles on the Highway 156 Task Force and Councilwoman Beach's leadership on regional trail planning.

5. SALINAS RAIL EXTENSION PROPERTY ACQUISITION

M/S/C Rubio/ Mohamaddi/unanimous

The Board approved the real estate acquisition agreement with the Favaloro trust for one parcel for the Rail Extension to Monterey County project for the amount of \$460,925; approved payment of closing costs and other related expenses not to exceed the amount of \$12,000; authorized the Executive Director to execute the agreement and changes to the agreement if such changes do not increase the Agency's net costs, subject to approval by Agency Counsel; and authorized the use of no more than \$472,925 from Traffic Congestion Relief Program funds for the purchase and escrow, to be reimbursed by Caltrans from state funding budgeted for this project.

6. 2014 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1

M/S/C LeBarre/Huerta/unanimous

The Board held a public hearing on Amendment No. 1 to the 2014 Regional Transportation Plan; adopted Resolution 2016-07 to adopt CEQA findings; adopted Resolution 2016-08 to adopt Amendment No. 1 to the 2014 Regional Transportation Plan; and requested that the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments amend the adopted 2035 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy based on the amended Regional Transportation Plan.

Open Public Hearing:

Sarah Hardgrave, Big Sur Land Trust, expressed her appreciation to TAMC for bringing this forward. She reported that the Big Sur Land Trust supports adding the Carmel River project to the plan, stating listing the project individually in the RTP is important to secure funding from Caltrans.

Closed Public Hearing:

There were no other comments.

Grant Leonard, Transportation Planner, reported that in June of 2014, the Agency adopted the 2014 Monterey County Regional Transportation Plan, which had been prepared in coordination with the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments to be consistent with a Sustainable Communities Strategy adopted by AMBAG for the Monterey Bay Area. The regional plan is a long-range planning document with a 20 year horizon that serves as a general plan for transportation in Monterey County.

He reported since approval of the 2014 RTP, three projects previously included as part of the non-regional transportation investments, and therefore included in the programmatic environmental review, have progressed in development, and the local project sponsors requested they be amended into the project list to assist with securing additional funding sources. On March 23, 2016, the Agency released the Draft Amendment to the 2014 (RTP) projects list for a 30 day public review period. The draft Amendment No. 1 included three additional projects: Gonzales Fifth Street Roundabouts, Fort Ord Recreation Trail and Greenway (FORTAG), and Carmel Floodplain Restoration and Environmental Enhancement (Carmel FREE). During the public comment period, the Agency received a request from Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) to make minor modifications to the project description for two MST projects already listed in the project list. The requested MST modifications were included as part of Amendment No. 1 to the 2014 Regional Transportation Plan.

7. STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FUNDING CUTS

M/S/C Huerta/Salinas/unanimous

The Board received update on the 2016 State Transportation Improvement Program proposed project delays and funding cuts; approved advancing Regional Surface Transportation Program Funds to the County of Monterey in an amount not-to-exceed \$3.0 million for the Highway 1 Operational Improvements project to allow it to be constructed in FY 2016/17, as planned; and authorized staff to submit a request to the California Transportation Commission to receive reimbursement in the amount of \$3.0 million from future State Transportation Improvement Program funds.

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, reported the California Transportation Commission staff is proposing to cut the Agency's 2016 Regional Transportation Improvement Program share by \$16.1 million, from \$72.8 million to \$56.7 million over the next five-year cycle. As gas tax revenues continued to fall below forecast amounts, the Commission adopted a revised fund estimate at its January 2016 meeting that reduced the statewide program by over \$750 million. Separately, the Agency averages \$4.4 million annually in Regional Surface Transportation Program funds. Monterey County's share of this reduction was set at \$7 million. He noted that, the Agency only has sufficient RSTP funding to advance for the Highway 1 project, leaving the Highway 68 and Imjin Road projects with delays. In addition, the Agency does not have capacity to address the cuts to Highway 156 and will need to request that this funding be restored in the 2018 STIP cycle, if not sooner.

Caltrans Director Gubbins commented that the California Transportation Commission has tried to keep it as whole as they could, shovel ready projects and trying to balance this, noting it's not an easy task.

Board member Phillips expressed his concerns taking \$9 million from the Highway 156 project. Director Hale commented "we are upset about this" Monterey County needs to be paid back for this when funding becomes available again. She noted that it is frustrating that there is no funding available, noting if we had a sales tax funding, we could loan to the project.

8. REGIONAL ROUNDABOUT STUDY

M/S/C Salinas/LeBarre/unanimous

The Board approved the Regional Roundabout Study.

Sean Houk presented the Regional Roundabout Study conducted by Kittleson & Associates. He reported Modern roundabouts are proving to have significant safety and operational benefits compared to traditional signalized intersections. A well-documented study found that converting 23 test intersections throughout the U.S. from traffic signals to roundabouts reduced fatal crashes by 90 percent, injury collisions by 75% and reduced the number of collisions overall by 37%. While initial construction costs tend to be higher for roundabouts, long-term life cycle costs (for ongoing maintenance and operations) tend to be lower than for signalized intersections. A roundabout and a traffic signal alternative were evaluated at most intersections; however, an improved stop sign alternative was also evaluated at some locations. The consultant used procedures outlined in the Highway Capacity Manual to perform a peak hour operations analysis of each intersection control option. The consultant prepared cost estimates for each alternative. The analysis then evaluated the benefits of each project based on safety, delay, and emissions; calculated a monetary value for those benefits; and then developed a ratio comparing the project benefits to the life cycle cost.

Mike LeBarre expressed his appreciation for the study, he noted that it is an alternative to stop signs and traffic lights, noting it's clearly affective and great for our area. Board member Huerta concurred, noting the roundabouts in Marina are great.

Dell Matt, 101 Bypass Committee, expressed concerns for a roundabout at Castroville Boulevard and San Miguel.

Eddy MacGregor, We Could Car Less, commented that the East Salinas roundabouts work in power outages, fatalities go down 90%, lack of left turns and provides its own enforcement. Board member Salinas concurred, the East Salinas roundabouts are working well.

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

Board member Edelen reported that he attended the CalCOG meeting on March 30 – April 1st, in Monterey. He noted he talked to representatives of Alameda County, since they passed their sales tax, the leverage of dollars has tripled. He noted that this is why it is important to get the self-help sales tax passed.

Board member Phillips reported on April 18th, that he and Director Hale attended the AB273 Hearing in Sacramento, regarding the Prunedale bypass surplus parcels in. He noted on a 10 to 2 vote were moving in the right direction.

10. REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS

Caltrans – Tim Gubbins, Caltrans, announced Caltrans held its annual statewide Litter Removal and Enforcement Day on Thursday, April 21, 2016. This activity is to enhance public awareness of the volume He also announced the Active Transportation Program call for projects from April 15, 2016 through June 15, 2016.for safety and mobility projects. District 5 is hosting a regional forum with local agencies on the first California State Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. The event, which requires an RSVP, is scheduled from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, May 5, at the San Luis Obispo County Library, 995 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo.

Monterey Regional Airport District – Bill Sabo reported that passenger counts are up and have stabilized. He noted that the airport is in the process of renewing their Environmental Review Master Plan for the next 25 years, and as always “Fly Monterey”.

Monterey-Salinas Transit District – Carl Sedoryk, General Manager, announced marks the 125th anniversary of the start of public transportation in Monterey county. In celebration on the anniversary, MST will be handing out commemorative coins to passengers on the MST Trolley Saturday and Sunday, April 30 and May 1, while supplies last. The antiqued brass coins depict the horse-drawn Monterey and Pacific Grove Street Railway cars from 1891 on one side, and the present-day Wirelessly-Charged Electric Trolley on the other.

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

11. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Director Hale reported 10 cities have approved the transportation investment plan, she noted staff has been touring the jurisdictions attending their council meetings. Director Hale also noted that the Cities of Salinas, Carmel and the county have not yet taken action. She thanked the Board for their leadership role. The Holman Highway 68 Roundabout project will relieve congestion at the busy intersection of Holman Highway 68, Highway 1 ramps and 17 Mile Drive near the entrance to Pebble Beach and the Community Hospital, Construction is expected to begin early June 2016. She announced TAMC Bike Month, Bike to TAMC Board meeting on May 25, 2016, and noted the new bike maps are out.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM TRANSPORTATION AGENCY MEMBERS

None this month.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Chavez adjourned the meeting at 10:43 a.m.