

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)**  
**SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS AND EXPRESSWAYS**  
**MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE JOINT POWERS AGENCY**  
**FINAL MINUTES OF OCTOBER 22, 2025, TAMC BOARD MEETING**  
1441 Schilling Place, Salinas, CA, 93901 – Cayenne Conference Room  
**No Alternate Locations with Zoom Connection Open to the Public**

<b>TAMC BOARD MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEC 24</b>	<b>JAN 25</b>	<b>FEB 25</b>	<b>MAR 25</b>	<b>APR 25</b>	<b>MAY 25</b>	<b>JUN 25</b>	<b>AUG 25</b>	<b>SEP 25</b>	<b>OCT 25</b>
Luis Alejo, Supervisor District 1, <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair</b> (Linda Gonzales, <del>Javier Gomez</del> )	P(A) (V)	P	P	P	P(A) (V)	P(A)	P	P	P	P
Glenn Church, Supervisor District 2, <b>County Representative</b> ( <del>Marilyn Vierra</del> , Leonie Gray)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P
Chris Lopez, Supervisor District 3, <b>Past Chair</b> (Priscilla Ramos)	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P
Wendy Root Askew, Supervisor District 4, <b>Chair</b> (Yuri Anderson, <del>Eric Mora</del> )	P(A)	P	P	P	P(V)	P(A)	P	P	P	P(A)
Kate Daniels, Supervisor District 5 (Kimbly Craig)	P(A)	P*	P	P	P(A) (V)	E	P	P	P	P
Jeff Baron, Carmel-by-the-Sea (Robert Delves, Dale Byrne)	P	P(A)*	P(A)	P*	P	P	P	P(A)	P	A
Scott Donaldson, Del Rey Oaks (John Uy)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jose Rios, Gonzales, <b>City Representative</b> (Lorraine Worthy)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P
Rachel Ortiz, Greenfield (Robert White)	P	P	P	E	P	P	E	A	P	P
Michael LeBarre, King City (Carlos DeLeon)	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
Bruce Delgado, Marina (Jenny McAdams, Liesbeth Visscher)	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P
Edwin Smith, Monterey (Kim Barber, Marissa Garcia, Andrea Renny)	P	P	P	AB2	P	P	P	P	E	P
Chaps Poduri, Pacific Grove, <b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</b> (Joe Amelio)	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	E	P	P(A)
Andrew Sandoval, Salinas (Margaret D'Arrigo)	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	P
Mary Ann Carbone, Sand City (Jerry Blackwelder)	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P

Ian Oglesby, Seaside (David Pacheco)	A	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P	P(A)
Anna Velazquez, Soledad (Fernando Ansaldo-Sanchez)	P	E	E	E	P	P	E	P	P	P
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Maura Twomey, AMBAG (Heather Adamson, Bhupendra Patel, Paul Hierling)	P(A) (V)	P (V)	P (V)	P	P	P(A)	A	P(A)	P	P(A)
Scott Eades, Caltrans, Dist. 5 (Orchid Monroy Ochoa, John Olejnik, Richard Rosales, Brandy Rider, Kelly McClendon, Dave Silberberger)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P	P(A) (V)
Richard Stedman, Monterey Bay Air Resources District (David Frisbey)	A	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	A	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)
Carl Miller, Monterey Regional Airport District (Richard Searle)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	A	P(A) (V)	P(V)	A	A	P(V)	P(V)
Carl Sedoryk, Monterey-Salinas Transit (Lisa Rheinheimer, Michelle Overmeyer)	P(A) (V)	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P(A) (V)
Eduardo Montesino, Watsonville	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Glen Nelson, CSUMB (Matthew McCluney)	P(A) (V)	A	A	P(A) (V)	A	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)

*P = present; P(A) = alternate present; P(V) = videoconference; E = excused absence; AB2=AB 2449;  
AB2a=AB 2449 alternate; A = absent; P\*= New Representative*

<b>TAMC STAFF</b>	<b>DEC 24</b>	<b>JAN 25</b>	<b>FEB 25</b>	<b>MAR 25</b>	<b>APR 25</b>	<b>MAY 25</b>	<b>JUN 25</b>	<b>AUG 25</b>	<b>SEP 25</b>	<b>OCT 25</b>
Ryan Bigelow, Contracts and Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P*	P
D. Bilsle, Principal Engineer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
A. Conlen, Senior Transp. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
N. Gomez, TAMC Intern	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	E	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)
A. Green, Principal Transp. Planner	P	P(V)	P	P	P(V)	P	P	P(V)	E	E
A. Guther, Transportation Planner	P	P(V)	P	P	P(V)	P	P	E	P	P
A. Hernandez, Transp. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
J. Kise, Dir. Finance & Administration	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Muck, Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Park, Finance Officer	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
E. Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
A. Sambrano, Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
M. Sheehan, Finance Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(V)	P
J. Strause, Assoc. Transp. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
S. Strong, Legal Counsel	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P

C. Watson, Director of Planning	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
L. Williamson, Senior Engineer	P	P	P	P(V)	P	P	P	E	P	P
B. Wilson, TAMC Intern	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P*	P(V)	P(V)
T. Wright, Community Outreach	P	E	P	P	P	P	E	P	E	E
M. Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Javier Gomez	Monterey County District 1	Tyler LeSage	Caltrans
Jasmine Mejia Cortez	Monterey County District 1	Mitch Weiss	Khouri Consulting
Priscilla Ramos	Monterey County District 3	Gus Khouri	Khouri Consulting
Eric Mora	Monterey County District 4	Barry Jones	Public
Pamela Lapham	Ausonio Incorporated	Dwight Stump	Public
Brian Tracy	Ausonio Incorporated	Warren Anderson	Public
Daniel Gho	Pacific Grove	Evan Snider	Public
Tony Harris	Point C	Celeste Morales	Public

**1. QUORUM CHECK – CALL TO ORDER**

Second Vice Chair Alejo called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Elouise Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board, called the roll and confirmed a quorum was established. Board Member LeBarre led the pledge of allegiance.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Warren Anderson, resident, commented in support for the long-term roundabout project on Highway 68, noting that he submitted a proposal for near-term improvements.

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### 3. CONSENT AGENDA

**M/S/C** Daniels/Carbone/unanimous

The Board approved the consent agenda as follows:

#### ***ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET***

- 3.1.1** Approved the minutes of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, the Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways, and the Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency for Monterey County meeting of September 24, 2025.
- 3.1.2** Accepted the list of payments and deposits for September 2025 and the credit card statements for August 2025.
- 3.1.3** Regarding Enterprise Resource Planning Software Request for Proposals:
1. Approved the scope of work for a Request for Proposals for Enterprise Resource Planning Software, subject to Agency counsel approval;
  2. Authorized staff to publish the Request of Proposals and return to the Board with a recommendation for approval of a vendor, including the final scope of work; and
  3. Approved the use of up to \$300,000 of Agency reserve funds allocated to the implementation of Enterprise Resource Planning Software, and up to \$75,000 for annual license costs.
- 3.1.4** Received the call for nominations for the 24th Annual Transportation Excellence awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County.

#### ***BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES***

- 3.2.1** Regarding Federal Transit Grant Section 5310 Application for Monterey-Salinas Transit bus funds:
1. Accepted Monterey-Salinas Transit's Federal transit grant application for twenty-four bus replacements for its RIDES paratransit service and operating assistance for the taxi voucher program; and
  2. Adopted Resolution No. 2025-12 approving Monterey County's scores for Traditional and Expanded Section 5310 grant applications and certifying that the projects meet federal program requirements and conditions.

**3.2.2** Regarding Measure X Senior & Disabled Transportation Program:

1. Adopted the Measure X Senior & Disabled Transportation Program Guidelines for Fiscal Years 2026/27 through 2028/29; and
2. Released the call for projects.

**PLANNING****3.3.1** Regarding North Monterey County Safe Routes to Schools Plan and Participatory Budgeting Funding agreements:

1. Approved and authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to amend Exhibit A of the funding agreement with County of Monterey, in an amount not to exceed \$781,500 to implement Safe Routes to Schools projects in North Monterey County for the period ending October 21, 2028;
2. Approved and authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute a Measure X funding agreement with North Monterey County Unified School District, pending legal counsel approval, in an amount not to exceed \$218,500 to implement Safe Routes to Schools projects on school campuses for the period ending October 21, 2028;
3. Approved the use of Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) reserve and Measure X funds budgeted to implement Safe Routes to Schools projects in North Monterey County; and
4. Authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of these agreements, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved agreement term or amount.

**3.3.2** Regarding Monterey County Active Transportation Plan and Level of Traffic Stress Analysis - Request for Proposals

1. Approved the scope of work for a Request for Proposals for professional services to develop the Monterey County Active Transportation Plan and Level of Traffic Stress Analysis;
2. Authorized staff to publish the Request of Proposals and return to the Board with a recommendation for approval of a consultant, including the final scope of work; and
3. Approved the use of Caltrans Planning Grant, Rural Planning Assistance, and Regional Surface Transportation Program Reserve funds, for a total amount not to exceed \$428,500.

**PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING**

- 3.4.1** Adopted the Third Addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project.
- 3.4.2** Approved and Authorized the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Measure X Funding Agreement with the City of Pacific Grove, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, to increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$137,961 to fund the environmental review of the Congress, Cedar, and Suset Intersection Project.
- 3.4.3** Regarding Regional Pavement Management Program:
1. Approved and authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute a contract with Nichols Consulting Engineers for an amount not to exceed \$560,000, which includes a 10% contingency, to provide consulting services for the Regional Pavement Management Program, for the period ending December 31, 2026, pending legal counsel approval and execution of reimbursement agreements with each participating jurisdiction;
  2. Approved the use of Regional Measure X funds for this project, with each participating jurisdiction reimbursing the Agency based on their proportionate share of project costs;
  3. Approved and authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute Reimbursement Agreements, pending legal counsel approval, with each of the participating jurisdictions; and
  4. Authorized the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the agreements, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scopes of work or change the approved contract terms or amounts.

**RAIL PROGRAM**

- 3.5.1** No report this month.

**REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE**

- 3.6.1** No report this month.

**COMMITTEE MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE****3.7.1** Accepted draft minutes from Transportation Agency committees:

- Executive Committee – draft minutes of October 1, 2025
- Rail Policy Committee – draft minutes of October 6, 2025
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee – draft minutes of October 1, 2025
- Technical Advisory Committee – draft minutes of October 2, 2025
- Excellent Transportation Oversight Committee – draft minutes of October 7, 2025

**3.7.2** Received Transportation Agency for Monterey County correspondence for October 2025.**END OF CONSENT AGENDA****4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND DRAFT 2026 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM****M/S/C** Smith/Lopez/unanimous

The Board of Directors received an update on legislative issues; provided input on the draft 2026 legislative program; and approved it for distribution to Committees for comment.

Agency state legislative analyst Gus Khouri and TAMC staff presented legislative updates and requested input on the draft 2026 legislative program.

The Executive Committee discussed this draft legislative program on October 1, 2025, and the attached draft reflects the Committee's discussion and input. Staff recommends the Board approve releasing it to Committees for input; upon approval, the Rail Policy Committee, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee, and Technical Advisory Committee will review the draft in November. Staff will also meet with partner agencies locally and statewide to discuss common issues. Following the Executive Committee's review of the draft program in January, the final program will come back to the Board on January 28, 2026, for adoption.

## 5. **2026 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**M/S/C** Lopez/LeBarre/unanimous

The Board of Directors received an update and provided input on the funding proposal for the 2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

Janneke Strause, Associate Transportation Planner, presented the draft 2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), which includes three major projects:

- Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Phase 1, proposed to receive \$5.0 million in STIP funds for the right-of-way phase. This phase focuses on safety and congestion improvements at Corral de Tierra, Laureles Grade, and San Benancio Road — key intersections along a heavily traveled corridor between Salinas and the Monterey Peninsula.
- US 101 South of Salinas Corridor, recommended for \$10.6 million in STIP funding to support final design of the US 101 interchange at Chualar. TAMC is working with Caltrans to pursue a Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) delivery method to accelerate project delivery.
- The Pajaro/Watsonville Multimodal Transit Hub, proposed to receive \$8.8 million in STIP funds for final design. Located in the unincorporated community of Pajaro, the station will serve as a regional hub for Santa Cruz County residents accessing passenger rail service to the Bay Area.

Ms. Strause noted that staff will finalize the RTIP proposal for Board consideration in December and then submit it to the California Transportation Commission.

Public comment:

Barry Jones, Pasadera Homeowners Association, commented on the Highway 68 project.

Dwight Stump, resident, commented on the Highway 68 project.

## 6. FUTURE TAMC OFFICE OPTIONS

**M/S/C** LeBarre/Delgado/unanimous

The Board of Directors received a presentation from Pamela Lapham, Ausonio Incorporated, on the future TAMC office location analysis and approved staff keeping the three presented office relocation options open and directed staff to consider other options including hybrid options with the Board meetings continued to be held in a different location than the TAMC office and new sites such as Chualar and the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority office on Sun Street in Salinas.

Ms. Lapham presented a Site Comparison Analysis to the board detailing the evaluation of options for TAMC's future office space. Options the analysis considered is as follows:

1. Option 1: A new lease in another location
2. Option 2: Buy and retrofit an existing building
3. Option 3: Purpose-built new construction on TAMC-owned land in Marina

Board Member LeBarre expressed concerns with the Marina option, noting that this would be further travel for anyone in the Salinas Valley, and encouraged keeping a more centralized location for Board meetings.

Board Member Delgado commented that the property in Marina is important for the City of Marina and that not developing that property is not a good option.

**7. COAST RAIL PROJECT**

The Board of Directors received a comprehensive update on the agency's rail program, with a focus on the Coast Rail project and related planning efforts to expand passenger rail service along the Coast Mainline rail corridor between San Jose and San Luis Obispo.

Christina Watson, Director of Planning, and Alissa Guther, Transportation Planner, presented an update on projects to increase the frequency of passenger trains on the coastal route San Jose and San Luis Obispo, including the State's work to implement Positive Train Control crash avoidance safety technology on the corridor, the City of King's work on constructing a new train platform, and TAMC's work to extend rail service to Salinas and to environmentally review a station at Pajaro/Watsonville.

Board Member LeBarre commented that every one of these planning efforts are key to a laying the groundwork for Monterey Bay Rail.

Board Member Lopez expressed the importance of positive train control crash avoidance technology.

**8. REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS**

Caltrans District 5 – Orchid Monroy Ochoa announced the following:

- SR 68 adaptive signal control: Caltrans is working with TAMC on the cooperative agreement language; procurement for the hardware is moving forward, to be installed by end of 2025.
- Caltrans will award approximately \$22 million for Sustainable Communities Competitive and Strategic Partnerships transportation planning grants; applications are due: November 21, 2025, by 5:00 P.M.

Monterey Salinas Transit District (MST) – Lisa Rheinheimer announced the following:

- Lisa Rheinheimer, MST, provided a SURF! Project update, noting that construction has started, with a new sidewalk north of Palm Avenue and one lane closure south bound on Del Monte Avenue that will continue until the end of November. She invited Board members to take a tour of the construction project.

Monterey Regional Airport District — Carl Miller announced the following:

- The Monterey Regional Airport invites you to participate in an open house to learn about updates to the replacement passenger terminal complex and to sign up for a tour of the construction site.
- The Airport will provide a press release on October 23, 2025, to announce new service.
- The Board will announce the new Executive Director soon to replace Mike La Pier.

Monterey Bay Air Resources District (MBARD) — David Frisbey announced the following:

- In October, MBARD will distribute \$730,000 in Motor Vehicle Emission Reduction Grants to Electric Vehicle charging stations on Salinas, Marina, Marina Coast and Soledad.

**9. REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY BOARD MEMBERS AT AGENCY EXPENSE**

No meetings to report.

**10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Todd Muck announced the following:

- No TAMC meeting in November, next meeting December 3, 2025.
- Farewell to Amelia Conlen who will be leaving TAMC to work in Santa Cruz.

**11. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

None.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Second Vice Chair Alejo adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m.