



Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission
Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways
Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency
Email: info@tamcmonterey.org

Executive Committee

Members are: Chaps Poduri, Chair; Luis Alejo, 1st Vice Chair; Jose Rios, 2nd Vice Chair; Wendy Askew, Past Chair; Glenn Church, County Representative; Dennis Donohue, City Representative

Wednesday, October 7, 2026

****9:00 AM****

MEETING LOCATION

*55B Plaza Circle, Salinas, California 93901
Transportation Agency Conference Room*

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83973622750?pwd=esaxn0K5Z4Rx2ppjC8D98QR6koK1Ae.1>

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1. QUORUM CHECK - CALL TO ORDER

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 two 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 Board before the meeting.

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3. 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, 2026.

- Elouise Rodriguez

4. **Legislative Update and Draft 2027 Legislative Program:**

1. **RECEIVE** legislative updates;
2. **PROVIDE INPUT** on the draft 2027 legislative program;
3. **PROVIDE DIRECTION** to staff regarding Proposition 43; and
4. **RECOMMEND** the TAMC Board approve the draft 2027 legislative program for circulation to Committees for comment.

- Christina Watson

Consultant Gus Khouri and staff will provide verbal updates on legislative activities and request input on the draft 2027 legislative program.

5. **RECEIVE** report on draft agenda for October 28, 2026, TAMC Board meeting.

- Todd Muck

6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS**

7. **CLOSED SESSION:**

Public Employee Performance Evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section §54957 –
Positions: Executive Director and Agency Counsel.

Reconvene in open session and report any actions taken.

Enclosures provided only to Executive Committee members.

- Jefferson Kise

8. **ADJOURN**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Executive Committee meeting:

Wednesday, November 4, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

**Transportation Agency for Monterey County
Conference Room**

55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas CA 93901

There will be a zoom link for hybrid participation.

If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:

Elouise Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board & Senior Administrative Assistant
Elouise@tamcmonterey.org

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Agenda Items: The agenda will be prepared by Agency staff and will close at noon five (5) working days before the regular meeting. Any member of the Board may request in writing an item to appear on the agenda. The request shall be made by the agenda deadline and any support papers must be furnished by that time or be readily available.

Memorandum

To: Executive Committee
From: Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant & Clerk of the Board
Meeting Date: October 7, 2026
Subject: Executive Committee Draft Minutes

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE Executive Committee draft minutes of September 2, 2026.

SUMMARY:**FINANCIAL IMPACT:****DISCUSSION:****ATTACHMENTS:**

1. EXEC Draft Minutes 9-2-2026

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

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: Chaps Poduri (Chair), Luis Alejo (1st Vice Chair), Jose Rios (2nd Vice Chair), Wendy Root Askew (Past Chair), Glenn Church (County representative), Dennis Donohue (City representative)

Wednesday, September 2, 2026

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

Transportation Agency Conference Room, 55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas CA

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	OCT 25	NOV 25	JAN 26	FEB 26	MAR 26	APR 26	MAY 26	JUN 26	AUG 26	SEP 26
Chaps Poduri, Chair , Pacific Grove (Joe Amelio)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Luis Alejo, 1st Vice Chair , Supervisor District 1, (Linda Gonzales; Javier Gomez}	P	P(A) (VC)	P	P	P(A) (VC)	P	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P
Jose Rios, 2nd Vice Chair , Gonzales (Lorraine Worthy)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Wendy Root Askew, Past Chair , Supervisor District 4, (Yuri Anderson, Kera Abraham Panni)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)
Glenn Church, County Representative , Supervisor District 2, (Marilyn Vierra, Leonie Gray)	P	P (VC)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Dennis Donohue, City Representative , City of Salinas (Margaret D'Arrigo)	P (VC)	E	P (VC)	*P	P	P	P	A	P	P

P = Present	A = Absent
P(A) = Alternate present	E = Excused
* = New Representative	(VC) Video Conference
(TC) = Teleconference	

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Poduri called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

Staff present: Kise, Linnevers, Muck, Park, Rodriguez, Strause, Watson, and Zeller.

Others present: Shane Strong, TAMC Counsel; Gus Khouri, Khouri Consulting LLC; Javier Gomez and Jasmine Cortez Mejia, Monterey County District 1

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Committee Member Rios and seconded by Committee Member Church, the Committee voted 6-0 to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Approved the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of August 5, 2026.

4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Committee received an update on state and federal legislative issues. On a motion by Committee Member Poduri and seconded by Committee Member Donohue, the Committee voted 6-0 to recommend the Board adopt positions on legislation as follows:

- Senate Bill (SB) 1087 (Cabaldon): "Transportation planning: sustainable communities strategies: transportation funding programs," changing from a "support if amended" to a "support" position.

Gus Khouri, Agency State Legislative Analyst, reported that Legislators worked all weekend in a race to finish up business by the close of the 2-year legislative session on August 31. He reported that the budget anticipates a \$39 billion surplus (when the draft budget anticipated a \$2.9 billion deficit). Mr. Khouri reported on changes to the Cap & Invest (formerly Cap & Trade) program that will dramatically decrease funding available for transportation and housing. The good news is that SB 193 is on the Governor's desk pending his signature which provides funding for public transportation, which is vital for Monterey-Salinas Transit.

Christina Watson, Director of Planning, included a memo in the agenda regarding the federal legislative activities, which notes that the current transportation authorization bill expires on September 30, and Congress is likely to pass a short-term Continuing Resolution to December.

5. TAMC BOARD AGENDA

Todd Muck, Executive Director, reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of September 23, 2026. After the Executive Committee discussion, directions were provided to staff to place the following items for consideration on the regular agenda:

- Safe Streets Together Monterey County safety awareness campaign update
- State Route 156 / Castroville Boulevard update

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Poduri announced that the Executive Director and Agency Counsel evaluation forms were sent to the TAMC Board Members yesterday and are due to him by September 24, 2026.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Poduri adjourned the meeting at 9:26 a.m.

Memorandum

To: Executive Committee
From: Christina Watson, Director of Planning
Meeting Date: October 7, 2026
Subject: Draft 2027 Legislative Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Legislative Update and Draft 2027 Legislative Program:**

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SUMMARY:

Consultant Gus Khouri and staff will provide verbal updates on legislative activities and request input on the draft 2027 legislative program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The draft legislative program continues a focus on preserving and seeking transportation funding.

DISCUSSION:

Agency state legislative analysts Gus Khouri and TAMC staff will provide a legislative update and request input for the 2027 legislative program. **Web attachment 1** is a semi-final bill list showing the recommended positions and relating to the adopted 2026 Legislative Program (**web attachment 2**). Bills that are "dead" as of the September Board meeting were removed from the list. Governor Newsom has until September 30 to sign or veto bills, after the deadline for this packet. The final bill list will be included in the October TAMC Board packet.

The adopted 2026 TAMC legislative program is online as **web attachment 2**. Staff and consultants will present proposed changes to the program for 2027 for discussion at the meeting.

Proposition 43 is a legislative constitutional amendment on the November 2026 ballot that limits voters' ability to pass voter-proposed local special taxes by increasing the percentage of votes needed to approve such ballot measures from a majority (50% plus one) to two-thirds (66.7%), beginning January 1, 2027 (**web attachments 3 and 4**). Prop 43 would apply the same rules to citizen-led initiatives for local special taxes as what currently applies to governmentally initiated ballot measures for transportation sales taxes. It does not change the rules for sales taxes such as TAMC's Measure X or MST's Measure Q, but would limit citizen-led attempts to raise funds for special purposes. Staff seeks input and direction from the Executive Committee whether to recommend the

TAMC Board take a position on Proposition 43.

Looking ahead to the appropriations funding process, the Agency should consider which project or projects to nominate for Community Project Funding / Congressionally Directed Spending. The ideal project is one that is already cleared under the National Environmental Policy Act or can be easily cleared, such as a project within an existing roadway. The best fit with the funding program is a project that doesn't have a big funding gap but can use \$2 million or less to get constructed. The project should also tell a good story by improving the community and/or solving a safety concern.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

1. [State bill list](#)
2. [TAMC 2026 Legislative Program](#)
3. [Official Secretary of State Voter Guide: Proposition 43](#)
4. [CalMatters Voter Guide: Proposition 43](#)