

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

Wednesday, March 5, 2025

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

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

Alternate locations:

2616 1st Avenue, Marina, California 93933

599 El Camino Real, Greenfield, 93927

168 West Alisal Street, 2nd Floor, Salinas, California 93901

147 Fourth Street, Gonzales, California 93926

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	APR 24	MAY 24	JUN 24	AUG 24	SEP 24	OCT 24	NOV 24	JAN 25	FEB 25	MAR 25
Wendy Root Askew, Chair Supervisor District 4, (Yuri Anderson, Eric Mora)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)
Chaps Poduri, 1st Vice Chair Pacific Grove (Joe Amelio)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P (VC)	P
Luis Alejo, 2nd Vice Chair Supervisor District 1, (Linda Gonzales; Javier Gomez)	P	P	P(A) (VC)	P	P	P(A) (VC)	P	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P
Chris Lopez, Past Chair Supervisor District 3 (Priscilla Barba)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P	E	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Glenn Church, County Representative Supervisor District 2, (Marilyn Vierra, Leonie Gray)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P	*P(A)) (VC)	P
Jose Rios, City Representative , Gonzales (Lorraine Worthy)	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	A	*P (VC)	P (VC)

P = Present

*= New Representative

(VC) Video Conference

A = Absent

E = Excused

TC = Teleconference

P(A) = Alternate present

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Poduri called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

Staff present: Kise, Muck, Rodriguez, Sambrano, Watson and Zeller.

Others present: Shane Strong, TAMC Counsel; Linda Gonzales and Jasmine Mejia Cortez, District 1 Office; Monica Hale, District 3 Office; Margaret D'Arrigo, Salinas; Carl Sedoryk, MST; Gus Khouri & Mitch Weiss, Khouri Consulting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

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

Approved the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of February 7, 2025.

4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

On a motion by Committee Member Alejo and seconded by Committee Member Poduri, the Committee voted 6-0 to recommend the TAMC Board of Directors adopt positions on proposed legislation, as follows:

- AB 259 (Rubio): Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences - SUPPORT
- AB 761 (Addis): Monterey-Salinas District: retail Transactions and use tax - SUPPORT
- AB 891 (Zbur): Transportation: Quick-Build Project Pilot Program - SUPPORT
- SB 71 (Wiener): California Environmental Quality Act: exemptions: transit projects - SUPPORT
- SB 239 (Arreguín): Open meetings: teleconferencing: subsidiary body - SUPPORT

Gus Khouri, Agency Legislative Consultant, presented an update on state legislative activities and Ariadne Sambrano, Agency staff, presented an update on federal legislative activities.

Gus reported that the legislators had a bill introduction deadline of February 21, noting that he went over 2,500 bills to put together the draft bill matrix, which will be added to as bills are further developed. He noted that Chair Askew would be attending a legislative day with the Central Coast Coalition on March 19 in Sacramento.

Ariadne Sambrano, Transportation Planner, reported that the Trump Administration has introduced significant policy changes affecting federal transportation funding, including the suspension of Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

funds. These shifts prioritize projects in communities with high marriage and birth rates, require compliance with federal immigration enforcement, and emphasize economic justification over social and environmental considerations. The President revoked prior United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) orders related to equity, climate adaptation, and environmental justice.

5. TAMC BOARD DRAFT AGENDA

Todd Muck, Executive Director, reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of March 26, 2025. After Executive Committee discussion, directions were provided to staff to place the following items for consideration on the regular agenda:

- Salinas Sidewalk Art Project Update
- Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Update

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Poduri adjourned the meeting at 9:47 a.m.