



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

Board of Directors

Wednesday, August 26, 2026
****9:00 AM****

MEETING LOCATION

Meeting Time: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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or vote on any item on the agenda
1441 Schilling Place, Salinas, California
Cayenne Conference Room
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1. QUORUM CHECK – CALL TO ORDER

Transportation Agency by-laws require a quorum of a minimum of 9 voting members, including a minimum of 7 city representatives and 1 county representative.

If you are unable to attend, please contact your alternate. Your courtesy to the other Transportation Agency Board members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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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.

ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET

- 3.1.1. **APPROVE** the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board draft minutes of June 24, 2026.

- Elouise Rodriguez

- 3.1.2. **ACCEPT** the list of payments and deposits for June and July 2026 and the corresponding credit card statements.

- Mi Ra Park

The list of payments and copies of credit card statements are submitted to the TAMC Board each month in accordance with the recommendation from TAMC's independent Certified Public Accountant to keep the Board informed about TAMC's financial transactions.

- 3.1.3. **RECEIVE** list of contracts awarded under \$50,000.

- Jefferson Kise

The list of contracts awarded by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for services under \$50,000 approved by the Executive Director is submitted each month in accordance with the Agency's Procurement Policies to keep the Board informed.

3.1.4. RECEIVE report on conferences or trainings attended by agency staff.

- Christina Watson

Agency staff attend conferences or trainings at Agency expense that are pertinent to their roles in pursuing the Agency's mission. These events allow the staff to stay current and participate in the development of transportation practices and policies related to their roles.

3.1.5. ADOPT Resolution 2026-12 to enable TAMC Committees to use provisions of Government Code Section 54953.8.6 allowing Eligible Subsidiary Bodies to use teleconferencing in specific circumstances.

- Christina Watson, Shane Strong

Senate Bill (SB) 707, signed into law on October 3, 2025, makes significant changes to the Ralph M. Brown Act, which governs open meetings for local government agencies in California. Resolution 2026-12 enables the TAMC Committees to use the teleconferencing provisions of the revised Brown Act.

3.1.6. APPROVE revised contract template for use in contracting for professional services.

- Christina Watson

Staff recommends changes to the existing standard professional services contract template to simplify use, improve legibility, and add additional contact information for billing purposes.

3.1.7. APPROVE the evaluation form, procedure, and timeline for completing the annual evaluation for the Executive Director and County Counsel.

- Jefferson Kise

The Agency Bylaws require an annual evaluation of the Executive Director and County Counsel.

3.1.8. Legislative Advocacy Contract:

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute an Assignment and Assumption Agreement with Actum II, LLC, consenting to the assignment of a contract to provide legislative advocacy services, for the period ending October 31, 2027;
2. **APPROVE** the use of Reserves funds budgeted for this project; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the agreement, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract amount or term.

- Christina Watson

The Agency has a contract for State legislative assistance with Khouri Consulting that expires October 31, 2027. Gus Khouri is moving to a new firm, Actum II, LLC, effective September 1, 2026. Staff recommends approving an Assignment and Assumption agreement with Actum II to continue Mr. Khouri's services to the Agency through the end of the contract period.

3.1.9. Contract with Regional Government Services Authority for Limited Classification Study:

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute a contract with the Regional Government Services Authority, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, in an amount not to exceed \$23,600, to provide human resources consulting services, for the period ending June 30, 2027;
2. **APPROVE** the use of \$23,600 of reserve funds for this project;
3. **APPROVE** a sole source finding due to highly specialized expertise; and
4. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

- Jefferson Kise

The Agency's Finance and Administration staffing structure has not kept pace with the growth and increasing complexity of its operations. Staff recommends retaining Regional Government Services Authority (RGS) to conduct a classification and organizational study to evaluate staffing needs, organizational structure, and future position development. RGS is recommended on a sole-source basis due to its familiarity with the Agency.

3.1.10. Contract with Client First Technology:

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute Amendment #1 to the contract with Client First Technology, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, to provide project management and oversight services, for the period ending December 31, 2027;
2. **APPROVE** the use of \$100,000 of funds budgeted for this project; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

- Jefferson Kise

Client First Technology was selected through a competitive bid process to provide needs assessment, RFP development and vendor selection assistance for new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software for the agency. Staff has been very happy with the service provided by Client First and wishes to engage them further to provide support for the implementation process.

3.1.11. Contract with Aclarian LLC for Enterprise Resource Planning Software

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute a contract with Aclarian LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$344,000, to provide Enterprise Resource Planning software, for the period ending June 30, 2031;
2. **APPROVE** the use of \$344,000 of funds budgeted for this project; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

- Jefferson Kise

The Agency's year-long project to competitively procure a new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software platform has resulted in the selection of Aclarian, LLC. Aclarian will provide all the financial and grant accounting and reporting functionality, and, in partnership with Paychex, will also support payroll and human resource information management. The implementation project estimates a 12–18 month implementation period, with the annual subscription contract extending for three years once the first module goes live.

3.1.12. Ausonio Construction Management — Contract Amendment #1

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute Amendment #1 with Ausonio Construction Management, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, to increase the budget by \$102,168 for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$302,168, and to add scope for construction management and on-call property inspection services, for the period ending June 30, 2028;
2. **APPROVE** the use of reserve funds budgeted to this purpose; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the amendment, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved amendment term or amount.

- Jefferson Kise

Ausonio was awarded a sole source contract as they were the only qualified respondent to a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) solicitation in February 2025. This amendment to the contract provides additional scope and funds to work through the leasehold improvements needed in the new Taylor Building space, as well as an On-Call task order for property inspection services for potential property purchases.

3.1.13. Request for Proposals for Property Management Services:

1. **APPROVE** the scope of work for a Request for Proposals (RFP) for property management services, subject to Agency counsel approval;

2. **AUTHORIZE** 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. **APPROVE** the use of up to \$65,000 per year of the Agency rail lease revenues for lease and property management services.

- Mi Ra Park

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide property management services for the Monterey Branch Line property located adjacent to Del Monte Boulevard, from Contra Costa Street to Playa Ave and a portion near Castroville, as well as possible future leases. Services include lease administration, property inspections, tenant relations, maintenance coordination, compliance monitoring, reporting, lease renewals, and related real estate support.

BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT, and SOCIAL SERVICES

3.2.1. Transportation Development Act Allocation:

1. **RECEIVE** the 2026 Unmet Transit Needs List;
2. **APPROVE** Monterey-Salinas Transit's application for State Transportation Development Act funds; and
3. **ADOPT** Resolution 2026-14 allocating a total of \$27,641,657 in Transportation Development Act funds to Monterey-Salinas Transit, consisting of \$22,415,515 in Local Transportation Funds and \$5,226,142 in State Transit Assistance funds for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

- Aaron Hernandez

As the Regional Transportation Planning Agency, TAMC oversees the approval process for allocating State funds devoted to local transit expenditures. On an annual basis, the Monterey-Salinas Transit District submits an application to TAMC for Transportation Development Act Funds. Allocation of Transportation Development Act funds must occur after the agency completes the Unmet Transit Needs process.

3.2.2. Federal Funds for Rural Transit and Intercity Bus Operations

1. **APPROVE** the Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 Program of Projects in the amount of \$944,351 for Monterey-Salinas Transit service on rural transit routes;
2. **APPROVE** the Federal Transit Administration 5311(f) Program of Projects in the amount of \$600,000 for Monterey-Salinas Transit service on MST Line 59: Salinas-Gilroy and Line 84: King City-Paso Robles;
3. **APPROVE** the Federal Transit Administration 5339(a) Program of Projects in the amount of \$900,000 for Monterey-Salinas Transit for the purchase of one replacement bus for MST Line 23: Salinas-King City and Line 84: King City-Paso Robles;
4. **ADOPT** Resolution 2026-13 authorizing funding under the Federal Transit

- Administration Section 5311 and Section 5339 programs; and
5. **RATIFY** the Executive Director's signature on the Regional Agency Certifications and Assurances for the Program of Projects.

- Aaron Hernandez

The Federal Transit Administration provides operating support for rural transit service through Section 5311 non-urbanized funding program. Section 5311(f) program is a subsection under 5311 which funds Intercity Bus operations. Section 5339 program funds support capital projects such as bus replacements and technological upgrades. TAMC approval is necessary for Monterey-Salinas Transit to receive these funds.

PLANNING

3.3.1. Legislative update:

1. **RECEIVE** update on state and federal legislative issues; and
2. **ADOPT** positions on legislation.

- Christina Watson

This report provides an update on state and federal legislative issues.

PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING

3.4.1. Regional Surface Transportation Program Time Extension Requests:

1. **APPROVE** time extensions on the use of Transportation Agency competitive funds until August 22, 2027 for the following projects:
 - a. City of Marina's Del Monte and Reservation Road Roundabout project;
 - b. City of Soledad's West Street Road Diet and Complete Streets project;
 - c. City of King's U.S. 101/Broadway Street at San Antonio Drive Roundabout Improvement project; and
 - d. City of Salinas's Harden Parkway Path and Safe Routes to School project;
2. **APPROVE** amending Exhibit A of the local funding agreement to include updated funding deadlines for these projects.

- Janneke Strause

The Agency distributes funding through a competitive grant program every three years. Projects are scored through a competitive application and approved by the Board each cycle. Funding must be used by the project sponsors within three years per the Master Funding Agreement. Time extensions may be recommended if projects are in progress but require more time for completion.

3.4.2. Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway California Avenue - GHD Contract Renewal:

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute contract Renewal and Amendment #3 with GHD, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, to renew the agreement retroactive to July 1, 2026 and extend the term to December 31, 2029, for continued design services;
2. **FIND** that this amendment is justified as a sole source due to the efficiencies that support extending the contract with the existing consultant as a logical follow-on to work already in progress under a competitively awarded contract; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

- Janneke Strause

The GHD contract for the California Avenue segment expired on June 30, 2026 and must be renewed retroactively to finalize design and provide construction-phase design support. Staff recommends extending the contract through December 31, 2029.

3.4.3. Alisal High Sidewalk Art Contract Amendment #2

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute amendment #2 with Action Council of Monterey County, Inc., to increase the budget by \$2,500 for a total agreement amount of \$117,500, and extend the term of the agreement to December 31, 2032, to establish a long-term maintenance schedule of sidewalk art that will be installed in East Salinas near Alisal High School;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of Measure X funding budgeted for this project;
3. **FIND** that this amendment is justified as a sole source because of their unique qualifications to do this work; and
4. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

- Aaron Hernandez

This second amendment will allow Artists Ink, through Action Council of Monterey County, Inc., to develop a long-term maintenance plan to upkeep sidewalk art that will be installed at East Salinas near Alisal High School.

- 3.4.4. **APPROVE** programming \$15.4 million of Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) and Transportation Development Act (TDA) 2% funds to the 2026 Competitive Grants Program of Projects.

- Janneke Strause

The Transportation Agency Board approved releasing a call for projects for a new cycle of competitive grants at its March 2026 meeting. The grant applications were due June 5, 2026. Agency staff established an ad hoc committee of Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory, Technical Advisory Committee members, and Agency staff to review and rank the applications and provide funding recommendations. That list of recommended projects is provided in this staff report.

RAIL PROGRAM

3.5.1. King City Multimodal Transportation Center - Union Pacific Railroad Design Review Agreement:

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to execute reimbursement agreement with Union Pacific Railroad to review design submittals for the King City Multimodal Transportation Center, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of State Rail Assistance and SB 125 funds for this purpose; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the agreement, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

- Andy Cook

TAMC assumed lead agency responsibilities for the planned King City Multimodal Transportation Center (MMTC) project from the City of King in February, which will be constructed along the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) Coast Subdivision mainline. UPRR requires passenger rail project sponsors to enter into design review agreements to reimburse the railroad for its costs in reviewing and approving design plans. TAMC must approve and execute a new agreement with UPRR to continue design work for the project.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE

3.6.1. Kimley-Horn - 2026 Nexus Study Update Contract Amendment #1

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to execute contract amendment #1 with Kimley-Horn & Associates for the 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update contract to increase the budget by \$19,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$117,980 to cover additional to reevaluate the administrative draft cost per trip including costs to attend additional meetings;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of Regional Development Impact Fee Administrative funds budgeted for this project;
3. **FIND** that this amendment is justified as a sole source due to the efficiencies that support award to the existing consultant as a logical follow-on to work already in progress under a competitively awarded contract; and
4. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to take such further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work,

or change the approved contract term or amount.

- Aaron Hernandez

The Transportation Agency contracted with Kimley-Horn & Associates to conduct the 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update following a competitive process in 2024. The Agency is seeking to expand the scope of work and budget to cover additional costs to reevaluate the administrative draft cost per trip based on board feedback.

COMMITTEE MINUTES and CORRESPONDENCE

3.7.1. ACCEPT draft minutes of the Transportation Agency Committees:

- Rail Policy Committee — draft minutes of August 3, 2026
- Executive Committee — draft minutes of August 5, 2026
- [Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory](#) Committee — draft minutes of August 5, 2026
- [Technical Advisory](#) Committee — draft minutes of August 6, 2026
- [Measure X Citizens Oversight](#) Committee — No Meeting

- Elouise Rodriguez

3.7.2. RECEIVE TAMC Correspondence for August 2026.

- Elouise Rodriguez

4. PRESENT the Transportation Agency Employee of the Quarter to Aaron Hernandez.

- Todd Muck

The Agency employees recognize Aaron for his professionalism, his positive attitude, and his hard work on Information Technology and his great work onboarding new staff. Staff appreciate Aaron's assistance in the Safe Routes to School, and Safe Streets Together Monterey County programs; and translating materials into Spanish. He also successfully managed a comprehensive Senior & Disabled grant award process.

5. Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Update:

1. **RECEIVE** an update on the Adaptive Traffic Signal Control (ATSC) pilot project performance and Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project – Phase 1 traffic operations analyses and benefit-cost analysis results; and
2. **AUTHORIZE** staff to submit a Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) application to the California Transportation Commission for construction funding for Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project – Phase 1 (San Benancio Road, Corral De Tierra Road, and Laureles Grade Road).

- Javier Hernandez

Since the Board received the June project update, the team has collected additional field data to evaluate the performance of the ATSC pilot project. The team completed additional traffic operations analyses using observed traffic conditions following implementation of the adaptive signal system as the baseline condition. These analyses include greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions evaluation and a side street operational assessment. The team completed a benefit-cost analysis for the Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project – Phase 1: San Benancio Road, Corral De Tierra Road, and Laureles Grade intersections at SR 68.

6. 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee - Nexus Study Update:

1. **RECEIVE** update on the 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study; and
2. **PROVIDE** direction on the structure of the benefit zones and coverage of eligible project costs.

- Aaron Hernandez

The Transportation Agency is required to update the Regional Development Impact Fee every eight years. This process includes reviewing the land use and population assumption in the regional travel demand model, forecasting future travel demands, updating the project list as necessary to meet those demands, revising project costs, and developing an updated fee schedule. Staff will provide an update on additional fee per trip analysis conducted following the June 2026 board meeting.

7. **RECEIVE** reports from Transportation Providers:
 - Caltrans Director's Report and Project Update - Eades
 - Monterey Peninsula Airport - Miller
 - Monterey-Salinas Transit - Sedoryk
 - Monterey Bay Air Resources District - Stedman
8. **Reports on meetings attended by Board Members at Transportation Agency expense, as required by state law.**
9. **Executive Director's Report.**
10. **Announcements and/or comments from Transportation Agency members on matters that they wish to put on future Transportation Agency agendas.**
11. **CLOSED SESSION:**

PUBLIC COMMENT on the Closed Session:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATORS** pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8, concerning: CAPPO MANAGEMENT LXXXVIII; Cardinale Nissan; Giustiani Masonary, Inc; Big Brand Tire and Service; Saroyan Architecture/SSIC; Lithia Real Estate, Inc; SGO LLC and Peter E. Blackstock; Granite Rock Company; Meadows Property Company; Rudy Canchola
Property: the Monterey Branch Line

Agency negotiators: Todd Muck, Jeff Kise, Mi Ra Park, Aaron Hernandez
Negotiating parties: TAMC and the ten current lessees

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL TO DISCUSS ANTICIPATED LITIGATION pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9 of the Government Code, concerning the initiation of two (2) litigation matters.

RECONVENE in open session and report any actions taken.

12. ADJOURN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*****SPECIAL MEETING*****

Monday, August 31, 2026, 9:00 A.M.
Monterey County Government Center
1441 Schilling Place, Cayenne Room

Next Transportation Agency for Monterey County regular meeting will be on
Wednesday, September 23, 2026

9:00 A.M.

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A quorum of voting members is required to be present to hold this meeting.
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

elouise@tamcmonterey.org

Important Meeting Information

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:

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furnished by that time or be readily available.

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant & Clerk of the Board
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: TAMC Draft Minutes of June 24, 2026

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board draft minutes of June 24, 2026.

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

1. TAMC draft minutes June 24-2026

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
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Chris Lopez, Supervisor District 3, (Priscilla Ramos)	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	E
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Jeff Baron, Carmel-by-the-Sea (Robert Delves, Dale Byrne)	P(A)	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(V)
Scott Donaldson, Del Rey Oaks (John Uy)	P	P	P	P	A	P	E	P	P	P
Jose Rios, Gonzales, 2nd Vice Chair (Lorraine Worthy)	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P(V) (ADA)	P	P	P	P
Robert White, Greenfield (Rachel Ortiz)	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Michael LeBarre, King City (Carlos DeLeon)	P	P	P	P	P	P(A) (V)	P	A	A	P
Bruce Delgado, Marina (Jenny McAdams, Liesbeth Visscher)	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P
Edwin Smith, Monterey (Gino Garcia, Marissa Garcia , Andrew Easterling)	P	E	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	A	P
Chaps Poduri, Pacific Grove, Chair (Joe Amelio)	E	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Dennis Donohue, Salinas City Representative (Margaret D 'Arrigo)	P	P	P	P*	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mary Ann Carbone, Sand City	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

(Jerry Blackwelder)										
Ian Oglesby, Seaside (David Pacheco)	A	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Anna Velazquez, Soledad (Fernando Ansaldo-Sanchez)	P	P	P	P	P	E	E	P(V) JC 1	P	P
Ex Officio Members:	AUG 25	SEP 24	OCT 25	DEC 25	JAN 26	FEB 26	MAR 26	APR 26	MAY 26	JUN 26
Maura Twomey, AMBAG (Heather Adamson, Bhupendra Patel, Paul Hierling)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A) (V)	P(A)	P	P(A) (V)	P	P	P(A)
Scott Eades, Caltrans, Dist. 5 (Orchid Monroy Ochoa, John Olejnik, Richard Rosales, Brandy Rider, Kyle Birch, Kelly McClendon, Paul Valadão)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P	P(A) (V)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)
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)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)
Dino Pick, Monterey Regional Airport District (Carl Miller)	A	A	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	A	P(A) (V)
Carl Sedoryk, Monterey-Salinas Transit (Lisa Rheinheimer, Michelle Overmeyer)	P(A)	P	P	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P	P(V)	P	P	P
Eduardo Montesino, Watsonville	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Glen Nelson, CSUMB (Matthew McCluney)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	A	A	P(A) (V)	P(A) (V)	E	E

P = present; P(A) = alternate present; P(V) = videoconference; E = excused absence; ADA= American Disabilities Act; JC# =Just Cause; A = absent; P = New Representative*

TAMC STAFF	AUG 25	SEP 25	OCT 25	DEC 25	JAN 26	FEB 26	MAR 26	APR 26	MAY 26	JUN 26
O. Barajas, Transportation Planner							P*	P	P	P
R. Bigelow, Contracts and Grants		P*	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
D. Bilse, Principal Engineer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
A. Cook, Principal Transp. Planner							P*	P	P	P
N. Gomez, TAMC Intern	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)
A. Green, Principal Transp. Planner	P(V)	E	E	P	P	P	P	P(V)	P(V)	P
A. Guthrie, Transportation Planner	E	P	P	P	P	P(V)	P	P	P(V)	P
A. Hernandez, Transp. Planner	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
J. Kise, Dir. Finance & Administration	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(V)	P	E	E
S. Linnevers, Transportation Planner								P*	P	P
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	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	P	P	P	P
E. Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
M. Shaheen, Finance Assistant	P	P(V)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
J. Strause, Sr. Transp. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P

S. Strong, Legal Counsel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
C. Watson, Director of Planning	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(V)	P
L. Williamson, Senior Engineer	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
B. Wilson, TAMC Intern		P*	P(V)	P(V)	P(V)	P	P	E	E	P
T. Wright, Community Outreach	E	P	E	E	P	P	P(V)	P	P(V)	P
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	Dwight Stump	Public
Michael Groves	EMC Planning Group	Eric Petersen	Public
Tony Harris	Consultant	Barry Jones	Public
Frank Lopez	Harris & Associates	Christina Brigantino	Serra Village HOA
Regina Valentine	AMBAG	Paul Guirguis	Public
Morgan Tade	Law Intern	Michael Miller	Public
Jean Rasch	District 3, City of Monterey	Mike Weaver	Public
Chris Gregerson	Kimley Horn	Taylor Freeman	Rincon
Randy Ishii	Monterey County	Kris May	Pathways

1. QUORUM CHECK – CALL TO ORDER

Chair Poduri called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant/Clerk of the Board, called the roll and confirmed a quorum was established. Chair Poduri led the pledge of allegiance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jean Rasch, City of Monterey, expressed safety concerns at the intersection on Route 68 and Skyline Forest Drive.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Alejo/Smith/ passed

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 May 27, 2026.
- 3.1.2** Accepted the list of payments and deposits for May 2026 and the credit card statements for April 2026.
- 3.1.3** Received list of contracts awarded under \$50,000.
- 3.1.4** Received report on conferences or trainings attended by agency staff.
- 3.1.5** Approved recommended amendments to Agency policies.

BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES

- 3.2.1** No reports this month.

PLANNING

- 3.3.1** Regarding Legislative update:
 - 1. Received update on state and federal legislative issues; and
 - 2. Adopted positions on proposed legislation.
- 3.3.2** Approved the North Monterey County Regional Transportation Vulnerability Assessment.

3.3.3 Approved Resolution 2026-10 for the North Monterey County Safe Routes to School Plan, which:

1. Adopts the North Monterey County Safe Routes to Schools Plan; and
2. Determines the North County Safe Routes to Schools Plan and its proposed improvements were identified and analyzed in the program-level Environmental Impact Report for the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Regional Transportation Plan.

PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING**3.4.1** Regarding Freeway Service Patrol Tow Service Contracts:

1. Approved and authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute three contract amendments with California Towing and Transport for Freeway Service Patrol Beats 1, 2, and 3, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, to increase the total Not-to-Exceed amount by \$50,000 (\$23,000 for Beat 1, \$25,000 for Beat 2 and \$7,000 for Beat 3);
2. Authorized the use of \$50,000 in Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways funds and State Freeway Service Patrol funds budgeted for these contract amendments.
3. Approved and authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute three new contracts with California Towing and Transport for Freeway Service Patrol Beats 1, 2 and 3, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, to provide tow services for the Freeway Service Patrol program, for the period ending June 30, 2029;
4. Authorized the use of \$1,722,000 in Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways funds and State Freeway Service Patrol funds budgeted for these new contracts; and
5. Authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contracts, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

3.4.2 Regarding FORTAG Canyon Del Rey - Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring Plan Implementation Request for Proposals:

1. Approved the scope of work for a Request for Proposals for Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring Plan Implementation for the Canyon Del Rey segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project, 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 consultant, including the final scope of work; and
3. Approved the use of Regional Measure X funds allocated to the project, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,300,000.

3.4.3 Regarding FORTAG California Avenue - Construction Management Contract:

1. Approved and authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract with Harris and Associates, subject to approval by Agency Counsel and Independent Office of Audits and Investigations, in an amount not to exceed \$2,515,065, which includes a 15% contingency, to provide construction management services for the California Avenue segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) project, for the period ending December 31, 2028;
2. Approved the use of Measure X funds budgeted for this project; and
3. Authorized the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract amount or term.

3.4.4 Regarding Sustainable City Year Program Contract Amendment #1:

1. Approved and authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute amendment #1 with University Corp, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, to extend the term for an additional five years and increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$390,000 for a total of \$780,000 to provide Sustainable City Year programming services for the period ending June 2031;
2. Approved the use of Measure X Safe Routes to Schools funds budgeted to this purpose;
3. Approved sole source finding; and
4. Authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

RAIL PROGRAM**3.5.1** Regarding King City Multimodal Transportation Center Pre-Construction Design and Engineering Services Assignment and Assumption Agreement:

1. Approved the Assignment and Assumption by and among RailPros, the City of King, and TAMC, consenting to the assignment of a contract for pre-construction design and engineering services for the King City Multimodal Transportation Center project to TAMC;
2. Approved the use of state funding allocated to this project;
3. Authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute the Assignment and Assumption Agreement; and
4. Authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the Agreement, including approval of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the intent of the agreement.

3.5.2 Regarding King City Station Multimodal Transit Center Environmental Review - Request for Proposals:

1. Approved the Scope of Work for the Request for Proposals to perform environmental review for the King City Station Multimodal Transit Center project;
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 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) SB 125 funds designated for this project in an amount not to exceed \$2 million.

3.5.3 Adopted Resolution 2026-07 in support of pilot rail service connecting Los Angeles and the San Francisco Bay Area for the 2028 Olympics.**3.5.4** Regarding HDR Engineering, Inc. Contract Extension

1. Approved and authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute a contract amendment with HDR Engineering, Inc., subject to Agency Counsel approving the amendment and the California Transportation Commission extending the funding expenditure deadline, to create state and federal environmental documents for the Pajaro-Watsonville Multimodal Station project, through June 30, 2028;
2. Authorized the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

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 June 3, 2026
- Rail Policy Committee – draft minutes of June 1, 2026
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee – June 3, 2026
- Technical Advisory Committee – draft minutes of June 4, 2026
- Excellent Transportation Oversight Committee – No meeting

3.7.2 Received Transportation Agency for Monterey County correspondence for June 2026.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR DOUG BILSE

M/S/C Alejo/Carbone/unanimous

The Board of Directors adopted and presented a Resolution of Appreciation to retiring Principal Transportation Engineer Doug Bilse. After a total of 12 years at the Transportation Agency, Doug Bilse is retiring on July 3, 2026. The Board recognized Doug for his dedication to Route 68, Toro Park, SURF!, and U.S. South 101 projects and for sharing his knowledge and mentoring to younger staff.

5. 2026 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

M/S/C Smith/Donohue/unanimous

The TAMC Board of Directors adopted Resolution 2026-08 to adopt CEQA findings, a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program related to the Environmental Impact Report certified by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments for the 2026 Monterey County Regional Transportation Plan; and adopted Resolution 2026-09 to adopt the 2026 Monterey County Regional Transportation Plan.

Mike Zeller, Director of Programming, reported the 2026 Plan reflects changes in revenue forecasts and updated project lists from the local jurisdictions. TAMC prepares the plan in coordination with the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) to be consistent with the regional Sustainable Communities Strategy.

Mr. Zeller noted that the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) includes three main components: 1) A Policy Element communicating goals and measurable objectives for improving the transportation system, 2) a Financial Element that includes a forecast of revenues over the life of the plan, and 3) an Action Element that includes a list of projects to be funded within the capacity of the funding forecast, which meet the goals and objectives identified in the document.

Mr. Zeller reported that the Regional Transportation Plan serves as Monterey County's long-range vision for a safe, efficient, and sustainable transportation system, guiding priorities over the next several decades. By establishing a coordinated and financially constrained roadmap, the RTP positions local agencies to compete for and secure critical state and federal funding, ensuring that regional and local projects can move forward. This plan not only aligns transportation investments with community goals but also provides the foundation for delivering improvements that support economic vitality, environmental sustainability, and quality of life for residents throughout the county.

Board Member Oglesby commented that Measure X is very helpful to our community, noting TAMC is doing a good job.

Public comment:

Dwight Stump commented that measure X funding was restricted at a certain percentage for maintenance of roads, noting if it can be changed as there is an increasing need for maintenance.

6.

2026 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE NEXUS STUDY UPDATE

The Board of Directors received an update on the 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study; and provided input on the draft regional fee schedule scenarios.

Aaron Hernandez, Transportation Planner, reported that the Transportation Agency is required to update the Regional Development Impact Fee every eight years. This process includes reviewing the land use and population assumption in the regional travel demand model, forecasting future travel demands, updating the project list as necessary to meet those demands, revising project costs, and developing an updated fee schedule.

Chris Gregerson, Kimley Horn, reported that Kimley-Horn reviewed and tested the AMBAG Regional Travel Demand Model to better understand how well it reflects real-world conditions. Through this

review, they identified areas where the transportation system in Monterey County is currently experiencing problems and where additional issues are expected in the future. These problem areas, such as roads that are congested or unsafe, were mapped across the county to help TAMC staff choose which transportation improvement projects should be included in the 2026 Regional Fee Nexus Study Update. To identify these needs, Kimley-Horn used current traffic data, the regional travel model, established traffic analysis methods, and information about locations with higher rates of serious crashes (known as the Vision Zero High Injury Network).

Board Member LeBarre expressed his frustration with the fee schedule, asking that staff consider lowering the fee for South County to encourage housing growth.

Board Member Velazquez asked if the formula could be modified to include equity considerations for the South County cities.

Board Chair Poduri asked if the formula could be changed. Kris Gregerson noted that it is a policy decision to change the formula.

With direction of a preferred scenario, Kimley-Horn will proceed in updating the fee calculations by land use, updating the fee schedule, and completing the nexus study report. Staff will bring the 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update to the TAMC Board for adoption on August 26, 2026. Thereafter, the final report and updated fees will be circulated for review and approval by the cities and the County.

Executive Director Todd Muck noted that staff will provide further information based on the comments received at the August meeting.

7.

SCENIC ROUTE 68 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

The TAMC Board of Directors received an update on the Scenic State Route 68 Adaptive Traffic Signal Control pilot project and preliminary results analyzing the effectiveness of the proposed Phase 1 roundabouts project.

Doug Bilse, Principal Transportation Engineer, reported that the goal of the Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project is to improve safety and traffic flow between Monterey and Salinas while preserving the corridor's environmentally sensitive setting. The project includes new wildlife crossings beneath the highway and avoids adding mainline lanes. Caltrans has completed an Environmental Impact Report covering converting all nine signalized intersections to roundabouts to improve operations and reduce collisions. Phase I would construct roundabouts at San Benancio

Road, Corral de Tierra Road, and Laureles Grade, and include a wildlife crossing. Caltrans is leading final design for Phase I and coordinating with TAMC staff to pursue construction funding.

Public comment:

Eric Peterson, public, reminded the team to consider bicyclists in the project's design.

Christina Brigantino, Serra Village, requested that Portola Drive be included in Phase 2 of the project

Barry Jones, public, requested that reports and information be provided to the public in advance of the August board meeting where this item will be further discussed.

Dwight Stump, public, commented that the AI data presented is not from the AI installed and the coordinated signal data is misleading, stating that the AI signals need more time to demonstrate impacts.

8.

REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS

Caltrans District 5 – Orchid Monroy-Ochoa announced the following:

- On May 29, Caltrans awarded \$23 million to strengthen climate resiliency and improve safer mobility for all Californians, including grants for MST and the City of Soledad.
- Caltrans released the Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2027-28 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant (STPG) Application Guide (Draft) for a public comment period from June 3 to July 2, 2026.

Monterey Regional Airport District (MRY) — Carl Miller announced the following:

- Monterey Airport is moving forward with the terminal parking lot and Garden Road and Olmstead roundabout, both expected to be completed by June 2027.

Monterey Salinas Transit District (MST) – Carl Sedoryk announced the following:

- Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) is working with the City of Salinas on a major housing development expected to break ground on September 1st; construction will significantly impact bus operations into and out of transit system in Salinas over the next two years.
- MST will start outreach for Round 2 of the Salinas Rapid Bus and Salinas Transit Center relocation study, public surveys, and pop ups will begin in July.
- MST Transit Guidelines will be updated, a survey will be released in July asking for public to note specific bus stops they use and how they would like to prioritize amenities.

- Uber Transit announced \$1 million of transit investments nationwide, 20 projects, at \$50,000 each. MST was selected as one of Uber's partners to provide same-day, on-demand, taxi-like services, vouchers for seniors, veterans and persons with disabilities in the south county cities

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

- Electric light duty vehicle incentive program kicks off on July 1, offering \$2,000 for lease or purchase and additional \$500 for low-income recipients.
- Diesel Powered Vehicle replacement incentive program offering \$13,500 for zero emission vehicles.
- Grants for E-Bicycle and EV Charging equipment.

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

No report this month.

10. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Todd Muck announced the following:

- Monterey County Active Transportation Plan Stakeholder Meeting will be held this evening at Hartnell College on June 24, 2026, at 6 p.m.
- He Introduced TAMC new employee Javier Hernandez, Principal Transportation Engineer, taking the place of Doug Bilse.
- He thanked and expressed his appreciation to retiree Doug Bilse for always willing to help and his positive impact to TAMC.
- Roundabout Ribbon Cutting: July 14, 2026, a Regional Measure X project.
- No TAMC Meetings in July

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

No report this month.

12. **CLOSED SESSION**

PUBLIC COMMENT on the Closed Session: None

The Board entered Closed Session pursuant to **REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS** Pursuant to Government Code section §54956.8, confer with real property negotiators concerning:

- Property: any property for sale in Monterey County
- Agency negotiators: Todd Muck, Jeff Kise

- Negotiating parties: TAMC and seller
- Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

RECONVENED

The Board of Directors reconvened in open session and Chair Poduri reported no actions were taken.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Poduri adjourned the meeting at 12:42 p.m.

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Mi Ra Park, Finance Officer/Analyst
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: TAMC Payments for the Month of June and July 2026

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ACCEPT the list of payments and deposits for June and July 2026 and the corresponding credit card statements.

SUMMARY:

The list of payments and copies of credit card statements are submitted to the TAMC Board each month in accordance with the recommendation from TAMC's independent Certified Public Accountant to keep the Board informed about TAMC's financial transactions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The checks processed and Automated Clearing House (ACH) transferred for this period total \$2,935,716.09 (June) and \$1,146,813.02 (July) and which included checks written for June and July 2026.

DISCUSSION:

During the month of June and May 2026, transactions in the operating account and credit card account are in Attachments 1,2,3 and 4. These reports show all expenditures paid by checks, electronics funds transfers, and credit card during this period. All expenditures, payments, and disbursements are consistent with the TAMC approved budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2026-07 Account Register
2. 2026-06 Account Register
3. 2026-08 CalCard June_Redacted
4. 2026-08 CalCard July_Redacted

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)
Operating Account
July 2026

Date	Num	Name	Description	Debit	Credit
07/01/2026	22570	Clinica de Salud del Valle de Salinas	TAMC Office Rent/Utilities		9,495.99
07/01/2026	22571	Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.	Regional Impact Fee Consultants		184,360.39
07/02/2026	E-pay	CalPERS 457	Employee Benefits		13,182.05
07/02/2026	E-pay	CalPers Retirement	Employee Benefits		11,341.16
07/02/2026	E-pay	CalPers Retirement PEPRA	Employee Benefits		7,009.39
07/02/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		7,020.01
07/02/2026	EFT	Interfund Transfer	Interfund Transfer	450,000.00	
07/02/2026	EFT	Railroad Right of Way Lease	Railroad Right of Way Lease	11,810.91	
07/02/2026	EFT	CalPers Health Benefits	Employee Benefits		28,648.72
07/07/2026	DEP	Ameriflex	Employee FSA refund	308.06	
07/09/2026	22591	Alliant Insurance	Liability Insurance		3,806.88
07/09/2026	22592	Bender Rosenthal Inc.	Direct Program Consultants		283.46
07/09/2026	22593	Center for Community Advocacy	Direct Program Expense		3,946.55
07/09/2026	22594	Centre for Organization Effectiveness	Staff Development		1,800.00
07/09/2026	22595	City of Greenfield V	Direct Program Expense		50,806.00
07/09/2026	22596	GHD Inc.	Direct Program Expense - FORTAG Design and ROW		63,045.46
07/09/2026	22597	HDR Engineering Inc.	Direct Program Expense		43,210.83
07/09/2026	22599	MNS Engineers, INC.	Design Construction Services		343.08
07/09/2026	22600	SDRMA-Workers Comp Program	Employee Benfits-Worker's Compensation		11,520.77
07/09/2026	22601	Streamline	Streamline Web Membership		15,620.00
07/09/2026	22602	Taber Drilling (V)	Geotech Drilling		15,091.00
07/09/2026	22603	Union Pacific Railroad Company	Design Engineering		2,410.28
07/09/2026	22604	VASQUEZ & COMPANY LLP	Professional Services - Audit		5,884.00
07/09/2026	22605	Alliant Insurance	Liability Insurance		1,580.00
07/09/2026	22606	Bender Rosenthal Inc.	Direct Program Consultants		660.15
07/09/2026	22607	HDR Engineering Inc.	Direct Program Expense		1,742.94
07/09/2026	22608	Khouri Consulting LLC	Legislative Consultant		7,000.00
07/09/2026	22609	Oppidea, LLC	Accounting Services		3,000.00
07/09/2026	22610	Pathways Climate Institute	Community Climate Resilience Consultants		5,159.36
07/09/2026	22611	U.S. Bank CAL-Card	Credit Card		8,317.44
07/09/2026	22612	Bender Rosenthal Inc.	Direct Program Consultants		10,000.00
07/09/2026	22613	CALCOG	Staff Development & Travel		4,404.00
07/09/2026	22614	Elkhorn Slough Foundation	Climate Resiliency		4,750.00
07/09/2026	22615	Office of the County Counsel	Legal Services		12,954.00
07/09/2026	EFT	Railroad Right of Way Lease	Railroad Right of Way Lease	18,091.66	
07/10/2026	EFT	Barajas, Odalys (V)	Expense Reimbursement		87.59
07/10/2026	EFT	Kise, Jefferson (V)	Expense Reimbursement		3,479.85
07/10/2026	EFT	Linnevers, Sophia (V)	Expense Reimbursement		2,004.93
07/10/2026	EFT	Watson, Christine (V)	Expense Reimbursement		506.25
07/10/2026	EFT	Williamson, Laurie (V)	Expense Reimbursement		83.50
07/14/2026	DEP	Interfund transfer	Interfund transfer	102,857.92	
07/14/2026	DEP	State of California	Program Reimbursement	450,134.43	
07/15/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		79.44
07/15/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		8,578.65
07/15/2026	E-pay	United States Treasury	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		19,060.02
07/15/2026	DEP	City of Soledad	Regional Transportation Program Assesement	8,853.00	
07/16/2026	EFT	Sheehan, Matthew (V)	Expense Reimbursement		1,500.00
07/17/2026	ACH	Payroll	Payroll		85,280.77
07/17/2026	E-pay	CalPERS 457	Employee Benefits		11,418.61
07/17/2026	E-pay	CalPers Retirement	Employee Benefits		10,472.92
07/17/2026	E-pay	CalPers Retirement PEPRA	Employee Benefits		7,748.11
07/23/2026	DEP	Cities	Regional Transportation Program Assesement	22,251.00	

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07/23/2026	DEP	Railroad Right of Way Lease	Railroad Right of Way Lease	1,391.13	
07/30/2026	22617	Action Council of Mo. Co., Inc.	Direct Program Expense - Safe Routes to School		64,250.00
07/30/2026	22618	Allied Delta Dental	Employee Benefits		1,224.21
07/30/2026	22619	AM Signal, LLC	AI Adaptive Hardware/Software		5,000.00
07/30/2026	22620	Ausonio Inc.	Construction Management (New Office)		4,802.43
07/30/2026	22621	Auto Care Towing	Towing Services		105.00
07/30/2026	22622	City of Seaside	Meeting Costs		8,581.67
07/30/2026	22623	Cityzen Solutions, Inc (Public Input)	Public Input Software		45,621.00
07/30/2026	22624	Eaton & Associates	Computer Support		6,175.15
07/30/2026	22625	Ecology Action	Direct Program Expense		64,339.54
07/30/2026	22626	Fedex (Postage)	Delivery Service		14.94
07/30/2026	22627	Fehr & Peers (V)	ATP and Traffic Streets Evaluation		15,781.00
07/30/2026	22628	GHD Inc.	Direct Program Expense - FORTAG Design and ROW		18,802.36
07/30/2026	22629	HDR Engineering Inc.	Direct Program Expense		6,967.78
07/30/2026	22630	J.A.V. Language Solutions LLC	Language Interpretation Services		1,200.00
07/30/2026	22631	Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.	Regional Impact Fee Consultants		72,294.92
07/30/2026	22632	Mark Thomas & Company, Inc.	FORTAG Grant Consultant		2,224.42
07/30/2026	22633	Office of the County Counsel	Legal Services		13,538.40
07/30/2026	22634	Rincon Consultants Inc.	Direct Program Expense - Consultant		2,053.00
07/30/2026	22635	Shell	Auto Expense - Gasoline		120.74
07/30/2026	22636	VASQUEZ & COMPANY LLP	Professional Services - Audit		3,949.00
07/30/2026	22637	Waltz Creative LLC	Graphic Design		257.30
07/30/2026	DEP	Bank Fees Refund	Bank Fees Refund	190.20	
07/30/2026	EFT	Principal Life Insurance Company	Life Insurance Company		829.62
07/30/2026	DEP	Cities	Regional Transportation Program Assessment	11,023.00	
07/30/2026	DEP	State of California	SAFE	34,237.95	
07/30/2026	DEP	State of California	Program Reimbursement	20,887.80	
07/30/2026	DEP	Railroad Right of Way Lease	Railroad Right of Way Lease	9,598.39	
07/30/2026	DEP	State of California	Program Reimbursement	202,715.65	
07/30/2026	DEP	State of California	Program Reimbursement	340,885.95	
07/31/2026	ACH	Payroll	Payroll		69,435.63
07/31/2026	E-pay	CalPERS 457	Employee Benefits		11,521.99
07/31/2026	E-pay	CalPers Retirement	Employee Benefits		9,091.35
07/31/2026	E-pay	CalPers Retirement PEPR	Employee Benefits		7,801.43
07/31/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		5.79
07/31/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		6,906.23
07/31/2026	E-pay	United States Treasury	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		15,223.57
				<u>1,685,237.05</u>	<u>1,146,813.02</u>
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June 2026

Date	Num	Name	Description	Deposit	Payment
06/01/2026	22515	Clinica de Salud del Valle de Salinas	TAMC Office Rent/Utilities		9,495.99
06/01/2026	EFT	Principal Life Insurance Company	Life Insurance Company		791.86
06/02/2026	EFT	CalPers Health Benefits	Employee Benefits		28,648.72
06/05/2026	ACH	Payroll	Payroll		70,452.41
06/05/2026	E-pay	CalPERS 457	Employee Benefits		14,060.64
06/05/2026	E-pay	CalPers Retirement	Employee Benefits		11,287.77
06/05/2026	E-pay	CalPers Retirement PEPR	Employee Benefits		6,508.09
06/05/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		4.11
06/05/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		6,698.60
06/05/2026	E-pay	United States Treasury	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		15,065.68
06/05/2026	DEP	Railroad Right of Way Lease	Railroad Right of Way Lease	45,625.27	
06/05/2026	DEP	State of California	Program Reimbursement	70,825.79	
06/11/2026	22524	Allied Delta Dental	Employee Benefits		1,179.21
06/11/2026	22525	Center for Community Advocacy	Direct Program Expense		4,241.17
06/11/2026	22526	DKS Associates Inc.	Direct Program Expense - Vision Zero		97,216.47
06/11/2026	22527	Eaton & Associates	Computer Support		849.97
06/11/2026	22528	Ecology Action	Direct Program Expense		52,026.79
06/11/2026	22529	Fedex (Postage)	Delivery Service		29.64
06/11/2026	22530	GHD Inc.	Direct Program Expense - FORTAG Design and ROW		46,104.27
06/11/2026	22531	HDR Engineering Inc.	Direct Program Expense		91,371.56
06/11/2026	22532	J.A.V. Language Solutions LLC	Language Interpretation Services		1,200.00
06/11/2026	22533	Khoury Consulting LLC	Legislative Consultant		14,000.00
06/11/2026	22534	Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.	Regional Impact Fee Consultants		79,199.16
06/11/2026	22535	MBS Business Systems	Printer Services		452.88
06/11/2026	22536	Monterey County Health Dept. (V)	Transportation Grant		17,983.23
06/11/2026	22537	Moss, Levy & Hartzheim	Financial Audit		2,400.00
06/11/2026	22538	Office of the County Counsel	Legal Services		11,084.00
06/11/2026	22539	Oppidea, LLC	Accounting Services		3,000.00
06/11/2026	22540	Pathways Climate Institute	Community Climate Resilience Consultants		24,902.93
06/11/2026	22541	Streamline	Streamline Web Membership		4,577.66
06/11/2026	22542	U.S. Bank CAL-Card	Credit Card		9,772.01
06/11/2026	22543	Waltz Creative LLC	Graphic Design		14,060.05
06/11/2026	22544	Eaton & Associates	Computer Support		6,002.19
06/12/2026	DEP	Railroad Right of Way Lease	Railroad Right of Way Lease	1,640.00	
06/14/2026	DEP	Return Check Item	Return Check Item	1,200.00	
06/16/2026	DEP	Interfund Transfer	Interfund Transfer	250,000.00	
06/17/2026	DEP	City of Salinas	RDIF Collection Fees	116,148.80	
06/18/2026	22545	Statewide Traffic Safety and Signs Inc.	Pogram Expenses		377,538.00
06/19/2026	ACH	Payroll	Payroll		78,627.65
06/19/2026	E-pay	CalPERS 457	Employee Benefits		14,312.46
06/19/2026	E-pay	CalPers Retirement PEPR	Employee Benefits		6,526.88
06/19/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		6.68
06/19/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		7,607.23
06/19/2026	E-pay	United States Treasury	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings		17,273.40
06/19/2026	E-pay	CalPers Retirement	Employee Benefits		11,767.30
06/22/2026	DEP	Interfund Transfer	Interfund Transfer	600,000.00	
06/24/2026	EFT	Montiel, Maria (V)	Expense Reimbursement		64.25
06/24/2026	EFT	Watson, Christine (V)	Expense Reimbursement		75.49
06/25/2026	22546	AAMCOM LLC	Call Box - Phone Services		1,230.00
06/25/2026	22547	AM Signal, LLC	AI Adaptive Hardware/Software		198,000.00
06/25/2026	22548	American Public Transportation Associatio	Association Dues		1,084.00
06/25/2026	22549	Associated Right of Way Services Inc. (V)	Rail Relocation Services		1,406.39
06/25/2026	22550	AT&T - Calnet	Telephone Expense		1,716.18
06/25/2026	22551	CAPIO	Membership and Dues		90.00
06/25/2026	22552	ClientFirst Consulting Group, LLC	ERP Consulting		3,905.00

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06/25/2026	22553	Community Bridges (V)	Transportation Services	45,279.33	
06/25/2026	22554	DKS Associates Inc.	Direct Program Expense - Vision Zero	35,872.31	
06/25/2026	22555	Eaton & Associates	Computer Support	6,142.18	
06/25/2026	22556	Fehr & Peers (V)	ATP and Traffic Streets Evaluation	10,877.60	
06/25/2026	22557	GHD Inc.	Direct Program Expense - FORTAG Design and ROW	104,007.54	
06/25/2026	22558	Granite Rock Company	Direct Program Expense - Construction	721,729.13	
06/25/2026	22559	HDR Engineering Inc.	Direct Program Expense	869.86	
06/25/2026	22560	Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.	Regional Impact Fee Consultants	16,047.50	
06/25/2026	22561	Knightscope Inc.	HW Callboxes	5,545.98	
06/25/2026	22562	Mark Thomas & Company, Inc.	FORTAG Grant Consultant	5,437.11	
06/25/2026	22563	MNS Engineers, INC.	Design Construction Services	580,604.35	
06/25/2026	22564	Pathways Climate Institute	Community Climate Resilience Consultants	10,610.11	
06/25/2026	22565	Poduri, Venkata (Chaps)	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	1,686.85	
06/25/2026	22566	Shell	Auto Expense - Gasoline	101.52	
06/25/2026	22567	Uretsky Investigations	New Employee Background Check	150.00	
06/25/2026	22568	Verizon Wireless	Call Box-Phone Service	69.16	
06/25/2026	22569	Whitson Engineers Inc.	Project Development Services Carmel Hil & River Bike Trail	253.50	
06/28/2026		Railroad Right of Way Lease	Railroad Right of Way Lease	9,598.39	
06/29/2026	DEP	Interfund Transfer	Interfund Transfer	1,750,000.00	
06/30/2026	22581	Bruce C Delgado	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	318.67	
06/30/2026	22583	Edwin (Ed) D Smith	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	318.67	
06/30/2026	22584	Jeffrey S Baron	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	273.15	
06/30/2026	22585	Jose Rios	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	500.77	
06/30/2026	22586	Mary Ann Carbone	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	455.25	
06/30/2026	22587	Michael R LeBarre	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	318.67	
06/30/2026	22588	Robert White	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	273.15	
06/30/2026	22589	Scott Donaldson	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	182.10	
06/30/2026	E-pay	United States Treasury	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings	15,755.40	
06/30/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings	69.03	
06/30/2026	22590	Dennis J Donohue	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	546.30	
06/30/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings	73.80	
06/30/2026	E-pay	EDD	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings	53.30	
06/30/2026	E-pay	United States Treasury	Payroll Taxes and Withholdings	627.34	
06/30/2026	22572	Baron, Jeff	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	200.10	
06/30/2026	22573	Carbone, Mary Ann (V)	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	208.80	
06/30/2026	22574	Delgado, Bruce	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	69.60	
06/30/2026	22575	Donaldson, Scott (V)	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	98.60	
06/30/2026	22576	LeBarre, Mike	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	195.75	
06/30/2026	22577	Poduri, Venkata (Chaps)	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	200.10	
06/30/2026	22578	Rios,Jose (V)	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	108.75	
06/30/2026	22579	Smith, Ed	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	153.77	
06/30/2026	22580	White, Robert (V)	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	246.50	
06/30/2026	22616	Venkata (Chaps) C Poduri	Board Member Stipend/Reimbursement	546.30	
06/30/2026	EFT	Principal Life Insurance Company	Life Insurance Company	791.86	
06/30/2026	EFT	Ameriflex (V)	Employee Benefits	1,872.45	
06/30/2026	EFT	Ameriflex (V)	Employee Benefits	75.91	
06/30/2026	EFT	Interest	Interest	58.81	
				<u>2,845,097.06</u>	<u>2,935,716.09</u>
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Corporate Account Summary		Payment Information	
Previous Balance	\$9,772.01	Amount Due	\$8,317.44
Purchases and Other Charges	\$8,317.44	Payment due in accordance with your agreement with U.S. Bank.	
Cash Advances	\$0.00	QUESTIONS OR TO REPORT A LOST OR STOLEN CARD, CALL CUSTOMER SERVICE 1-800-344-5696	
Cash Advance Fees	\$0.00		
Late Payment Charges	\$0.00		
Credits	\$0.00 CR	To overnight or courier a payment, please send to: Corporate Payment Systems 3180 Rider Trail S, Department 790428 Earth City, MO 63045-1518	
Payments	\$9,772.01 PY		
New Balance	\$8,317.44		
Disputed Amount	\$0.00		

Corporate Account Activity			
			Total Corporate Activity
			\$9,772.01 CR

Post Date	Tran Date	Transaction Description	Amount
06-17	06-14	PAYMENT - THANK YOU 00000 C	9,772.01 PY

New Activity			
	Purchases	\$8,317.44	Total Activity
	Cash Advances	\$0.00	\$8,317.44
	Cash Advances Fees	\$0.00	
	Credits	\$0.00 CR	

Post Date	Tran Date	Transaction Description	Amount
05-27	05-26	STARBUCKS 06629 SALINAS CA	44.00
05-27	05-26	COSTCO WHSE #0472 SALINAS CA	243.01
05-28	05-27	LA PLAZA BAKERY - SOLE 831-6781452 CA	529.92
06-01	05-29	COMCAST / XFINITY 800-266-2278 CA	396.73
06-02	06-01	SMART AND FINAL 431 SALINAS CA	21.37
06-02	06-01	SMART AND FINAL 431 SALINAS CA	90.27
06-04	06-03	TST*THE BAGEL CORNER 831-771-8670 CA	33.08

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Amount Due: \$8,317.44

Amount Enclosed \$

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		New Activity cont	
06-05	06-04	RALEY'S ECART #905 800-925-9989 CA	217.21
06-05	06-04	TST*THE BAGEL CORNER 831-771-8670 CA	31.17
06-08	06-06	DEVICEMAGIC DEVICEMAGIC.C NC	459.00
06-08	06-05	AMAZON MKTPL*XT0TA1HT3 AMZN.COM/BILL WA	165.59
06-09	06-08	INTUIT *TSHEETS CL.INTUIT.COM CA	180.00
06-12	06-11	SAFETEQUIP SALINAS CA	87.40
06-15	06-12	SPLASH CAR WASH SALINAS CA	16.00
06-16	06-15	LA PLAZA BAKERY LAPLAZABAKERY CA	192.87
06-17	06-16	DERO 888-337-6729 MN	2,912.76
06-22	06-19	MADRAX/THOMAS STEELE 608-849-1080 WI	1,645.38
06-22	06-19	TMOBILE*AUTO PAY 800-937-8997 WA	65.00
06-22	06-18	UNITED 0162113240584 800-864-8331 TX	393.80
		BARAJAS/ODALYSG DEPARTURE07-26-26	
		MRY UA L LAX UA T MRY	
06-22	06-19	EXPEDIA 73477627359029 SEATTLE WA	28.55
06-23	06-22	LA PLAZA BAKERY - KING 831-3858888 CA	55.00
06-24	06-23	COSTCO WHSE #0472 SALINAS CA	167.90
06-25	06-24	LA PLAZA BAKERY LAPLAZABAKERY CA	297.43
06-25	06-23	STARBUCKS STORE 06629 SALINAS CA	44.00
		Department: 00000	Total: \$8,317.44
		Division: 00000	Total: \$8,317.44

TRANS AGENCY MONTERY CTY
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Corporate Account Summary		Payment Information	
Previous Balance	\$8,317.44	Amount Due	\$12,450.84
Purchases and Other Charges	\$12,450.84	Payment due in accordance with your agreement with U.S. Bank.	
Cash Advances	\$0.00	QUESTIONS OR TO REPORT A LOST OR STOLEN CARD, CALL CUSTOMER SERVICE 1-800-344-5696	
Cash Advance Fees	\$0.00		
Late Payment Charges	\$0.00		
Credits	\$0.00 CR		
Payments	\$8,317.44 PY	To overnight or courier a payment, please send to: Corporate Payment Systems 3180 Rider Trail S, Department 790428 Earth City, MO 63045-1518	
New Balance	\$12,450.84		
Disputed Amount	\$0.00		

Corporate Account Activity	
TRANS AGENCY MONTERY CTY	Total Corporate Activity \$8,317.44 CR

Post Date	Tran Date	Transaction Description	Amount
07-20	07-17	PAYMENT - THANK YOU 00000 C	8,317.44 PY

New Activity			
	Purchases	\$12,450.84	Total Activity \$12,450.84
	Cash Advances	\$0.00	
	Cash Advances Fees	\$0.00	
	Credits	\$0.00 CR	

Post Date	Tran Date	Transaction Description	Amount
06-26	06-25	SPLASH CAR WASH SALINAS CA	16.00
06-26	06-24	THE GROWERS PUB 831-7541488 CA	527.44
06-26	06-25	CA NEWSPAPERS ADV S 888-454-9588 CA	129.50
06-26	06-24	JENSON USA 951-344-1010 CA	1,596.08
06-29	06-26	DICKSSPORTINGGOODS.COM CORAOPOLIS PA	64.44
06-30	06-29	COMCAST / XFINITY 800-266-2278 CA	396.73
07-01	06-30	ZOOM.COM 888-799-9666 ZOOM.US CA	3,757.01

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Amount Due: \$12,450.84

Amount Enclosed \$

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		New Activity cont	
07-01	06-29	JENSON USA 951-344-1010 CA	159.45
07-03	07-02	STAR MARKET SALINAS CA	78.00
07-06	07-01	STAPLES LOS AN 877-826-7755 NJ	211.43
07-06	07-03	AMAZON MKTPL*CC9EQ8M43 AMZN.COM/BILL WA	23.23
07-07	07-06	DEVICEMAGIC DEVICEMAGIC.C NC	459.00
07-09	07-08	INTUIT *TSHEETS CL.INTUIT.COM CA	230.00
07-10	07-09	SP MADD GEAR US.MADDGEAR.C AZ	2,200.00
07-10	07-09	SQ *COPYMAT SALINAS CA	65.55
07-13	07-10	SPLASH CAR WASH SALINAS CA	16.00
07-13	07-10	SMART AND FINAL 431 SALINAS CA	12.23
07-13	07-10	SMART AND FINAL 431 SALINAS CA	69.57
07-13	07-11	INTUIT *NULL CL.INTUIT.COM CA	96.50
07-15	07-14	STARBUCKS 8007827282 800-782-7282 WA	44.00
07-20	07-16	STAPLS7683078640001001 877-826-7755 NJ	74.88
07-20	07-19	STAPLS7683276247001001 877-826-7755 NJ	11.01
07-20	07-19	TMOBILE*AUTO PAY 800-937-8997 WA	65.00
07-21	07-20	LA PLAZA BAKERY - KING 831-3858888 CA	27.50
07-23	07-22	STAPLS0242483042000003 877-826-7755 NJ	5.99
07-23	07-22	SALINAS ACE HARDWARE SALINAS CA	73.16
07-24	07-23	ASAP SIGNS AND PRINTING SALINAS CA	262.24
07-24	07-23	AMAZON MKTPL*WX76X0IW3 AMZN.COM/BILL WA	815.91
07-27	07-24	NATL ASSN REG COUNCILS WWW.NARC.ORG DC	850.00
07-27	07-23	GREEN PHOENIX SALINAS CA	112.99
		Department: 00000	Total: \$12,450.84
		Division: 00000	Total: \$12,450.84

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Jefferson Kise, Director of Finance & Administration
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Contracts Awarded under \$50,000**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE list of contracts awarded under \$50,000.

SUMMARY:

The list of contracts awarded by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for services under \$50,000 approved by the Executive Director is submitted each month in accordance with the Agency's Procurement Policies to keep the Board informed.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The revenue source for each specific contract is in the approved Agency budget or has been approved by a specific Agency Board action.

DISCUSSION:

The Procurement Policies of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County state that contracts for services and annual extensions of such contracts for \$50,000 or less may be approved by the Executive Director, if the revenue source for the specific contract is in the approved Agency budget or is approved by a specific Agency Board action. The policies also require the Executive Director to submit a report to the Board identifying any contracts valued at \$50,000 and under, entered into in the preceding quarter.

The attached list of contracts awarded by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for services under \$50,000 approved by the Executive Director is submitted each month to keep the Board informed.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Contracts under \$50,000 Aug 2026 Board

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

Contracts for services and annual extensions of such contracts for \$50,000 or less may be approved by the Executive Director, if the revenue source for the specific contract is in the approved Agency budget or is approved by a specific Agency Board action.
The Executive Director shall include a quarterly report to the Board identifying any contracts valued at \$50,000 and under, entered into in the preceding quarter.

Contracts Under \$50,000
(but greater than \$5,000)
Board Report date: August 2026

Staff	Consulting Firm/ Agency	Contract Activity	Start Date	End Date	Contract amount	Work Element	Fund Source
Jeff	PayChex	Payroll & HRIS	10/1/2026	09/30/27	\$16,900	9110	Reserves

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Christina Watson, Director of Planning
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Conferences and Training Attended by Agency Staff**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE report on conferences or trainings attended by agency staff.

SUMMARY:

Agency staff attend conferences or trainings at Agency expense that are pertinent to their roles in pursuing the Agency's mission. These events allow the staff to stay current and participate in the development of transportation practices and policies related to their roles.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Expenses related to staff training are included in the Travel and Training item in the adopted Agency budget.

DISCUSSION:

On June 29-July 1, 2026, Christina Watson, Director of Planning, attended the American Public Transit Association (APTA) Rail Conference in Baltimore, MD (**attachment 1**).

On June 26-July 1, 2026, Jefferson Kise, Director of Finance & Administration, and Mi Ra Park, Finance Officer, attended the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Conference in Chicago, IL (**attachment 2**).

On July 27-31, 2026, Odalys Barajas, Transportation Planner, and Sophia Linnevers, Transportation Planner, attended the Caltrans Transportation Planning Basic Academy (Planning Academy) in Los Angeles, CA (**attachment 3**).

ATTACHMENTS:

1. CW - Trainings - APTA Rail
2. MP - Training GFOA
3. OB & SL - Trainings - Planning Academy

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Christina Watson, Director of Planning
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: American Public Transit Association Rail Conference

On June 29-July 1, 2026, Christina Watson, Director of Planning, attended the American Public Transit Association (APTA) Rail Conference in Baltimore, MD. The final program is available online here: <https://s6.goeshow.com/apta/rc/2026/fullprogram.cfm>. Some highlights of this conference include:

- Maryland Area Regional Commuter (MARC) Riverside Heavy Maintenance Building tour:
 - The newly built maintenance facility includes a wheel truing machine, overhead crane, and drop table.
 - MARC is the highest speed commuter rail system in the United States, featuring top operating speeds of up to 125 mph on the Amtrak owned and operated Penn Line (Northeast Corridor).
 - Pre-pandemic, MARC carried over 9 million passengers annually. Current ridership is closer to 5.2 million, due in part to cuts in the federal workforce and in part due to remote work.
- State and Local Funding Options:
 - Community leaders from across the country are pursuing ways to support transit at the state, local, and regional levels. The panel shared updates on congestion pricing, and state and regional funding initiatives.
 - New York City implemented a congestion pricing plan for Manhattan (the “Congestion Relief Zone”) in 2025 that funds transit. The revenue backs a \$15 billion transit improvement plan. The first annual evaluation report found that the project increased traffic speeds, reduced peak commute times, and led to increased transit ridership (<https://www.mta.info/agency/bridges-and-tunnels/congestion-relief-zone>; <https://www.nytimes.com/2026/03/03/nyregion/nyc-congestion-pricing-ruling.html>).
 - Chicago’s Regional Transportation Authority (RTA), which oversees a commuter rail and bus system in addition to the “L” lines carrying more than 2 million riders per day, has been transformed by the state legislature into a new agency, the Northern Illinois Transit Authority (NITA), as of June 1, 2026. The new NITA Board will be seated on September 1, 2026, with new taxing authority

(<https://www.rtachicago.org/blog/2026/01/27/how-the-nita-act-can-advance-a-regional-transit-network-across-six-counties>).

- San Francisco Bay Area transit agencies are putting a ballot measure before voters to avert a “fiscal cliff” in November 2026: the “Connect Bay Area Transit” initiative would allow voters in Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara counties to consider a sales tax to fund transit systems (<https://connectbayarea.com/>).
- Resiliency and Adaptation:
 - Orange County is responding to repeated emergency projects driven by coastal erosion and storm impacts via a comprehensive strategy of resiliency to safeguard operations over the next 30 years, using state of good repair and other grant funding to restore the railroad and prepare for future storms.
 - The Maryland Transit Administration addresses risks from flooding and extreme weather through studies and mitigation strategies. The Maryland adaptation and resiliency toolbox can be found here: <https://www.resilientmdotmta.com/>.
 - APTA published the Transit Resilience Guidelines in 2026: <https://www.apta.com/standard/apta-suds-ud-gl-011-26/>
- Regional Rail:
 - Regional rail service goes beyond commuter time slots and connects cities and towns.
 - In southern Florida, the Broward Commuter Rail from Fort Lauderdale to Miami is a multi-county regional effort to restore commuter service on a historic coastal rail line originally built in 1885 that last had passenger rail in 1968 (https://www.miamidade.gov/resources/transportation_publicworks/documents/northeast-corridor-rapid-transit-fact-sheet.pdf).
 - In the Baltimore/ Washington DC/ Virginia metro area, there are numerous rail expansion projects. The Virginia Rail Express (VRE) and Maryland Area Regional Commuter (MARC) are collaborating on a multi-state comprehensive suite of projects to improve mobility in and around the nation’s capital (<https://www.vre.org/vre--marc-cross-honor-program-advances-regional-connectivity/>; <https://greaterwashingtonpartnership.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/GWP-Rail-Vision-Updated-Fact-Sheet-3.25.21.pdf>).



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Jeff Kise, Director of Finance and Administration
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: Government Finance Officer Association

In June, Director of Finance and Administration, Jeff Kise and Finance Officer, Mi Ra Park attended preconference seminars (June 26-June 27) and the Government Finance Officers Association's (GFOA) 120th Annual Conference (June 28- July 1) in Chicago, Illinois. The annual preconference and conference education sessions were held on June 26-July 1 at McCormick Place and featured more than 80 education sessions covering accounting and financial reporting, budgeting, technology, procurement, risk management, federal policy, and organizational leadership. The conference provided an opportunity to learn from public finance practitioners from across North America and identify practices relevant to the Agency's financial and administrative operations. The full conference program is online [here](#).

Preconference seminars and Education sessions included:

- Talk ACFR To Me - focused on making the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) more understandable to non-accountants and using the Management Discussion & Analysis (MD&A), Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR), and web-based tools to better communicate a government's financial story.
- Bye-Bye, Big, Boring Budget Books: Hello, Compelling, Concise, Clear Communications! - focused on moving beyond lengthy budget books toward concise and direct communication on the impact to the community.
- From Big Data to Better Decisions: Ensuring Data Quality Amid AI Disruption
- The Benefits of Rethinking Materiality for Small Governments
- Accounting and Auditing Year in Review
- Cyber Risk Savvy: GFOA's 2026 Cybersecurity Update
- Better With You. The Need for Alignment with IT Purchases
- Don't Worry Your Life Away: Developing and Maintaining Appropriate Reserve Levels
- From Avoidance to Aligned: Building Better Procurement Relationships
- All Eyes on Revenue Recognition
- Cyber Crime and Public Finance

- Unpacking GASB 103
- Washington, D.C., Update
- Magic 8 Ball, Will My Health Plan Costs Ever Level Off? Reply Hazy, Try Again
- The Ups and Downs of Outsourcing Payroll
- Correlation or Causation: Understanding the Relationship Between Transparency and Trust

Key takeaways:

- Materiality requires professional judgment. Overly conservative approaches can add cost, complexity, and reporting time without improving decision-useful information. Capitalization thresholds should be based on risk, appropriate to the assets size and organization, aligned with GASB, and discussed with independent auditors.
- Financial reporting standards continue to change. GASB Statement 103 changes the MD&A and other elements of the financial reporting mode. These changes are effective for FY25-6.
- Cybersecurity is an organization-wide and also a finance responsibility. Effective security requires controls, staff awareness, vendor and contractor risk management, incident-response planning, cyber-insurance awareness, and close coordination among finance, IT, banks, and other partners.
- Reserves should be connected to an organization's specific risks to the community and is essential to a multi-year planning and budgeting framework. Policies should distinguish reserves from fund balance, establish clear targets, and communicated clearly
- Procurement and technology decisions are strongest when finance, IT, procurement, and operating departments work together early. Clear enterprise-wide processes can preserve necessary controls while avoiding unnecessary complexity and delays.
- Outsourcing payroll can reduce certain administrative burdens, but it does not eliminate the need knowledgeable staff, oversight, and accountability. Governments should compare full outsourcing with partial-service alternatives when evaluating the pros and cons.
- Federal policy and employee benefit costs remain important areas to monitor. Changes in federal law and regulation can affect state and local operations and administrative functions, while healthcare cost trends continue to create uncertainty for long-term budgeting. CalPERS have implemented new administrator which includes performance guarantees and a more integrated health management for PPOs.
- Grace Martinez, from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, will be GFOA President for the next term. This is a one-year term and significant representation on a national level for California and transportation.



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors

From: Odalys Barajas, Transportation Planner
Sophia Linnevers, Transportation Planner

Date: August 26, 2026

Subject: 2026 Caltrans Planning Academy

From July 27 to July 31, 2026, Odalys Barajas and Sophia Linnevers, Transportation Planners, attended the Caltrans Transportation Planning Basic Academy (Planning Academy) in Los Angeles, California. The five-day training event featured presentations from numerous speakers about Caltrans and statewide transportation planning processes, policy, concepts, and structure. It provided an excellent overview of transportation planning implemented across different levels of government in California. The Planning Academy was aimed at early-to-mid-career planners from Southern California Caltrans Districts and public agencies and was a unique opportunity to network with other professionals in the field.

The training was split into five days with multiple speakers. Attendees were placed into five groups with an experienced facilitator to lead small-group breakout sessions at the end of each day. These small groups also worked together on interactive activities throughout several of the speakers' presentations, helping to facilitate networking with the smaller group. TAMC staff gained an understanding of state-led planning efforts, and how regional agencies such as TAMC fit into the process of creating a transportation network that serves all Californians.

Key Takeaways:

The breadth and depth of information shared was an invaluable overview of transportation planning at the state-level, and the numerous specialties and processes at Caltrans. Particularly helpful sessions included:

- Bridgette Driller, CTC Associate Deputy Director, Transportation Planning, presented on CTC's role in the transportation system. TAMC staff interacts with CTC staff through funding

programs, guidance documents, and project implementation accountability.

- Lorna Foster, District 8 Native American Liaison, presented about the Caltrans Director's Office of Equity and Tribal Affairs efforts in developing equitable and mutually beneficial nature-based solutions. TAMC's staff prioritizes finding ways to improve community engagement through effective communication strategies countywide to support community needs. The presentation inspired staff to continue to consider different cultural practices and resources, traditional ecological knowledge, and histories of Monterey County.

Other Highlights:

1. Introduction to the resources available for Caltrans staff and partners, like the Caltrans Transportation Library. The digital collections are available to TAMC staff.
2. Overview of the roles and responsibilities of Caltrans, California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA), California Transportation Commission (CTC), and local/regional agencies.
3. Presentations on Complete Streets, Community Engagement, Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI), Strategic Investment Planning, and Corridor Planning.
4. Lessons on identifying needs, preparing for project initiation, listening to community input, and funding logistics.
5. Information about the State Highway Operation & Protection Program (SHOPP) and what qualifies for SHOPP and non-SHOPP funds. This was particularly important for TAMC efforts due to the number of non-SHOPP, or competitive funding, opportunities we apply for.
6. Small groups completed a "Shark Tank Activity" to practice translating a transportation need into a project through a proposed process pitched to facilitators who walked through the benefits and drawbacks of that project implementation approach.
7. Caltrans Headquarters' Freight Planning Program gave an overview of their staff and their work to secure funding, conduct long-range planning, and coordinate with stakeholders such as through the State Freight Advisory Committee.
8. Caltrans District 11 presented on freight planning efforts including international ports of entry like Otay Mesa East and the process of working with international, local, and state governments.
9. Caltrans Legal explained the full-service legal division that Caltrans maintains to respond to litigation, policies, review of contracts, plans, and employee-related matters.
10. District 5 Climate Coordinators shared how climate resiliency planning at District 5 makes the

state highway system more adaptable to increased environmental stressors like extreme heat and sea level rise.

11. District 12 planning presented on their rail and transit planning branch and how Caltrans influences transit and rail services through funding programs and building transit infrastructure on the state highway system.
12. District 8's Native American Liaison explained tribal affairs and the policies that require tribal consultation and consideration in transportation projects, including respect of cultural resources that may be disturbed by construction activities.
13. The Division of Design and Digital Services discussed the General Transit Feed Specification (GTFS) data collected by transit agencies and how it influences transit trip planning, federal reporting, and transit industry-wide programs.
14. District 7's Regional and State Planning branch explained how their branch coordinates with local and regional government agencies to help them with funding, project reports, grant program applications and reporting, local development review, overall work programs (OWPs), and regional transportation plans (RTPs).
15. A presentation focused on the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games planning provided an overview of the Games Route Network, including the Games Enhanced Transit system and how the Transportation Demand Management team is developing plans. We learned about the importance of using past events as reference and inspiration in future development as a means of supporting unique event-focused travel demand.
16. A "Planning Academy Jeopardy" reviewed concepts learned during the week in a fun and interactive way.

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Christina Watson, Director of Planning, Shane Strong, Legal Counsel
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Brown Act Resolution**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ADOPT Resolution 2026-12 to enable TAMC Committees to use provisions of Government Code Section 54953.8.6 allowing Eligible Subsidiary Bodies to use teleconferencing in specific circumstances.

SUMMARY:

Senate Bill (SB) 707, signed into law on October 3, 2025, makes significant changes to the Ralph M. Brown Act, which governs open meetings for local government agencies in California. Resolution 2026-12 enables the TAMC Committees to use the teleconferencing provisions of the revised Brown Act.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No financial impact.

DISCUSSION:

Attached is Resolution 2026-12 that enables TAMC Committees to utilize the teleconferencing provisions of the revised Brown Act. TAMC adopted Resolution 2026-02 governing Eligible Subsidiary Bodies in February 2026, and each Committee subsequently acted to actualize the provisions of that Resolution. Resolution 2026-02 is limited in validity to six months. Thus, the attached Resolution 2026-12 continues the provisions of the original resolution, and staff will bring back resolutions in February 2027, August 2027, and so on, if the Committees continue to desire to utilize these provisions, so long as that action is required.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2026-12 - SB 707 ESB resolution

WEB ATTACHMENTS:



RESOLUTION NO. 2026-12

TO ALLOW TELECONFERENCING FOR ALL TAMC ELIGIBLE SUBSIDIARY BODIES PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953.8.6

WHEREAS, California law created teleconferencing requirements for Eligible Subsidiary Bodies (ESB) in Government Code section 54953.8.6, effective January 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, an “Eligible Subsidiary Body” is defined as a Legislative Body under the Ralph M. Brown Act which serves exclusively in an advisory capacity, lacks authority to take final action, and further lacks primary subject matter jurisdiction on elections, budgets, police oversight, privacy, public library material access, or taxes or related spending proposals; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has considered the circumstances of the County’s Eligible Subsidiary Bodies and finds teleconference meetings would enhance public access to TAMC meetings, provided the Eligible Subsidiary Bodies notify the public of remote participation on Zoom®, MS Teams®, or similar teleconferencing platform in their agendas; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors further finds teleconferenced meetings would promote the attraction, retention, and diversity of Eligible Subsidiary Body members; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has provided the public this opportunity to comment at the Board’s in-person meeting; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 54953.8.6 requires the Board of Directors to reauthorize teleconferencing of Eligible Subsidiary Bodies every six months;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors for the Transportation Agency for Monterey County that TAMC’s Eligible Subsidiary Bodies may use teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code section 54953.8.6 until August 26, 2026.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California, this 26th day of August 2026, by the following votes:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

CHAPS PODURI, CHAIR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

ATTEST:

TODD A. MUCK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Christina Watson, Director of Planning
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: Revised Contract Template

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE revised contract template for use in contracting for professional services.

SUMMARY:

Staff recommends changes to the existing standard professional services contract template to simplify use, improve legibility, and add additional contact information for billing purposes.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No financial impact.

DISCUSSION:

The recommended changes to the existing standard professional services contract template are to improve ease-of-use and legibility, and add additional contact information for billing purposes. The revised contract template (see **web attachment**) will allow for more efficient and secure invoicing. The revisions are shown using red text and cross-out, showing changes from the version last approved in February 2026. Highlighted sections in the professional services contract template indicate areas for the project manager to edit based on the type of funding and project. Any contracts over the \$50,000 threshold will continue to be brought to the Board on an individual basis for approval, and any contracts let under the Executive Director's \$50,000 threshold for approval will be reported to the Board in the "Contracts Awarded under \$50,000" agenda item.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

- [Contract Template](#)

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Jefferson Kise, Director of Finance & Administration
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: Evaluation of the Executive Director and County Counsel

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE the evaluation form, procedure, and timeline for completing the annual evaluation for the Executive Director and County Counsel.

SUMMARY:

The Agency Bylaws require an annual evaluation of the Executive Director and County Counsel.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact by this item.

DISCUSSION:

Attached with this report are evaluation forms for the Agency's Executive Director Todd A. Muck and County Counsel. The Executive Director's employment agreement requires the Board to evaluate Todd by the December Board Meeting of each year. Forms will be sent out to Board Members via e-mail and upon completion, the Board Members are requested to return the evaluation to the chair via e-mail. The proposed procedure and timeline for completing the annual evaluation is as follows:

- August 27, 2026 – Staff e-mails to voting members of the Board of Directors the enclosed evaluation forms for the Executive Director. The Executive Director's goals and accomplishments will also be included.
- September 24, 2026 — The due date for evaluation forms to be returned to the Chair via e-mail or mail.
- September 30, 2026 – The Chair reviews completed evaluation forms and prepares a summary of results to present to the Executive Committee.
- October 7, 2026 — The Executive Committee meets in Closed Session to review the evaluations, formulate a recommendation to the Board of Directors and confer with the Executive Director regarding the recommendations.
- October 28, 2026 – The Board of Directors meets in Closed Session to receive a presentation from the Executive Committee, to review the evaluations and recommendations of the Executive Committee and take any appropriate actions.
- Date to be determined by the Chair—The Chair will review the evaluations with the Executive Director and County Counsel.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Executive Director evaluation form

2. Agency counsel evaluation form

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TODD MUCK

In evaluating the performance of the Executive Director, consider the factors below in arriving at your overall rating. Check the box in each category that you think best applies.

- 1 = Unsatisfactory, performance does not meet job requirements.
 2 = Improvement needed; performance partially meets requirements of job.
 3 = Satisfactory, performance adequately meets requirements of job.
 4 = Good, performance generally meets or exceeds standards or expectations.
 5 = Exceptional, performance is excellent, exceeding job requirements.

Dimension	1*	2*	3	4	5
Accessible to elected officials, staff and the public.					
Attitude. Is enthusiastic, cooperative, adaptive, energetic, willing to spend whatever time is necessary to do a good job.					
Communication. Keeps Board Members fully informed of issues affecting the Agency.					
Community Relations. Skilled in representing Agency policies to other agencies, the public, and news media.					
Community and professional reputation. Is regarded as a person of high integrity and ability for the agency.					
Decisiveness. Is able to reach timely decisions and initiate action but is not impulsive.					
Execution of Policy. Understands and complies with the policies and objectives of the organization. Efforts lead to successful accomplishment of goals.					
Expertise and knowledge of transportation issues.					
Imagination. Shows originality in approaching problems. Is able to visualize the implications of various approaches					
Non-political but understands and works effectively in the political arena.					
Leadership. Motivates others to maximum performance.					
Loyalty. Genuine interest in work, job and the agency. Concerned with agency's image and reputation.					
Personnel Development. Appoints and trains effective subordinates; retains excellent staff.					
Presents thoughts in an orderly, understandable manner.					
Responds quickly and effectively to requests from Board Members for information, advice, and service.					
Strategic Thinking. Thinks ahead on how the organization can best approach change.					
Unbiased. Takes a reasonable and rational viewpoint based on facts and qualified opinions.					
Written reports are clear, concise, and accurate.					

***NOTE: Please explain any rating of a "1" or a "2" in the comment section below or use the space to provide any additional comments.**

General Comments:

Please provide specific comment:

(1) Leadership and management skills:

(2) Staff development:

(3) Reputation in the community:

(4) Reputation with Transportation Agency member agencies:

(5) Opportunities for development/ Recommendations for more emphasis or improvement

Overall Rating: (Consider all factors listed on page 1 in arriving at an overall rating.)

- ☐ Unsatisfactory, performance does not meet job requirements.
- ☐ Improvement needed, performance partially meets requirements of job.
- ☐ Satisfactory, performance adequately meets requirements of job.
- ☐ Good, performance generally meets or exceeds standards or expectations.
- ☐ Exceptional, performance is excellent, exceeding job requirements.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Please complete and return evaluation to Chair via e-mail. Thank you.

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF
TAMC Counsel Shane Strong

In evaluating the performance of Counsel, consider the factors below in arriving at your overall rating. Check the box in each category that you think best applies.

1 = Unsatisfactory, performance does not meet job requirements.

2 = Improvement needed, performance partially meets requirements of job.

3 = Satisfactory, performance adequately meets requirements of job.

4 = Good, performance generally meets or exceeds standards or expectations.

5 = Exceptional, performance is excellent, exceeding job requirements.

Dimension	1*	2*	3	4	5
Accessible to elected officials, staff and the public.					
Attitude. Is enthusiastic, cooperative, adaptive, energetic, willing to spend whatever time is necessary to do a good job.					
Communication. Keeps Board of Directors fully informed on legal issues affecting the Agency. Advises Board Members so that all actions are in accord with Agency By-laws, state and federal law.					
Conflict of interest. Keeps Board Members informed of any possible conflicts of interest.					
Decisiveness. Is able to reach timely decisions and initiate action, but is not impulsive.					
Execution of Policy. Understands and complies with the policies and objectives of the organization. Efforts lead to successful accomplishment of Board directives.					
Expertise and knowledge of legal issues.					
Imagination. Shows originality in approaching problems. Is able to visualize the implications of various approaches					
Non-political but understands and works effectively in the political arena.					
Loyalty. Genuine interest in work, job and the agency. Concerned with agency's image and reputation.					
Presents thoughts in an orderly, understandable manner.					
Unbiased. Takes a reasonable and rational viewpoint based on facts and qualified opinions.					
Quarterly written reports are clear, concise, and accurate.					

General Comments:

Please provide specific comment:

(1) Leadership and management skills:

(2) Knowledge of legal requirements affecting TAMC:

(3) Reputation in the community:

(4) Reputation with member agencies:

(5) Opportunities for development / Recommendations for more emphasis or improvement:

Overall Rating: (Consider all factors listed on page 1 in arriving at an overall rating.)

- ☐ Unsatisfactory, performance does not meet job requirements.
- ☐ Improvement needed, performance partially meets requirements of job.
- ☐ Satisfactory, performance adequately meets requirements of job.
- ☐ Good, performance generally meets or exceeds standards or expectations.
- ☐ Exceptional, performance is excellent, exceeding job requirements.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Please complete and return evaluation to Chair via e-mail. Thank you.

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors

From: Christina Watson, Director of Planning

Meeting Date: August 26, 2026

Subject: **Khoury Legislative Advocacy - Assignment & Assumption Agreement with Actum II**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Legislative Advocacy Contract:**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute an Assignment and Assumption Agreement with Actum II, LLC, consenting to the assignment of a contract to provide legislative advocacy services, for the period ending October 31, 2027;
2. **APPROVE** the use of Reserves funds budgeted for this project; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the agreement, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract amount or term.

SUMMARY:

The Agency has a contract for State legislative assistance with Khoury Consulting that expires October 31, 2027. Gus Khoury is moving to a new firm, Actum II, LLC, effective September 1, 2026. Staff recommends approving an Assignment and Assumption agreement with Actum II to continue Mr. Khoury's services to the Agency through the end of the contract period.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approving the Assignment and Assumption Agreement does not involve an increase in budget for the work, simply a transfer of that budget from Khoury Consulting to Actum II, LLC. The adopted Agency budget sets aside local funds for State and federal legislative assistance. Funding for this type of assistance will come from local revenue sources and not any State or federal funds. Utilizing State legislative assistance may result in the protection or allocation of several millions of dollars in additional transportation funds being devoted to transportation projects in the region.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Agency has employed the services of a State legislative analyst/advocate since 1999 to assist with requesting State funds for transportation projects in Monterey County and seeking other State actions. The current contract with Khoury Consulting LLC was procured via a competitive request for qualification process in 2020; which, as amended, is set to expire on October 31, 2027. Gus Khoury has done an excellent job representing TAMC for the past five years, including proactive and timely efforts on behalf of the Agency on multiple bills, grant applications, and other funding issues. Mr. Khoury exhibits a depth of understanding of transportation issues and of Agency priorities.

Staff believes an Assignment and Assumption Agreement (**attached**) with Mr. Khouri's new firm, Actum II, LLC, is justified due to efficiency supporting an award to the existing consultant as a logical follow-on to work already in progress under a competitively awarded contract.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Actum II Assignment & Assumption 2026-08-26

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
AND ACTUM II LLC
ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT
FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
FOR STATE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST/ADVOCATE

LOCAL FUNDING ONLY

THIS CONTRACT ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made by and among the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (the "Client"), and Khouri Consulting, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Assignor"), with its principal place of business at 1215 K Street, Suite 1700, Sacramento, CA 95814, and ACTUM II, LLC, with its principal place of business at 767 S. Alameda Street, Suite 490, Los Angeles, CA 90021 (the "Assignee").

WHEREAS, TAMC and Assignor entered into an agreement for professional services on October 28, 2020, Amendment #1 on October 25, 2023, and Amendment #2 on September 24, 2025 (cumulatively referred to as the "Prior Agreement");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Prior Agreement, the Assignor agreed to provide to the Client, for the fees set forth in the Prior Agreement, State legislative advisory services, assistance in securing State transportation funding, and pursuing legislation in accordance with the adopted annual legislative program, until October 31, 2027;

WHEREAS, the Assignor wishes to assign to Assignee its rights and obligations under the Prior Agreement, and Assignee wishes to assume such rights and obligations under the Prior Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above recitals, the mutual promises contained below, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. **Recitals**. The above recitals are an integral part of the agreement and understanding of the parties and are incorporated by reference in this Agreement
2. **Assignment**. Assignor hereby grants, conveys, assigns and transfers to Assignee, effective as of the 1st of September, 2026 (the "Effective Date"), all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to, and delegates to Assignee all of Assignor's duties, obligations and liabilities in connection with the Prior Agreement. After the date hereof, the services to be performed under the Prior Agreement shall be performed by the Assignee and not the Assignor, under

such terms as are provided for in the Prior Agreement. The Prior Agreement shall be of no further force and effect as between the Client and the Assignor, except with respect to (i) such rights as arise prior to the date hereof, including but not limited to Assignor's right to receive compensation thereunder; or (ii) such provisions of the Prior Agreement as would expressly survive the termination thereof.

3. Acceptance and Assumption. Assignee hereby accepts the Assignment and assumes and promises to perform all of Assignor's duties, obligations and liabilities under the Prior Agreement as of and following the Effective Date.
4. Payments. The Assignor shall be entitled to receive payment in respect of all invoices for work performed under the Prior Agreement by the Assignor through August 31, 2026. If the Assignee receives payment from the Client for work performed by the Assignor prior to or on August 31, 2026, the Assignee shall remit such payment promptly to the Assignor. Conversely, if the Assignor receives payment from the Client for work performed by the Assignee after September 1, 2026, the Assignor shall remit such payment promptly to the Assignee. The Client hereby authorizes the Assignor to transfer and release to the Assignee any and all records in the Assignor's possession relating to the Prior Agreement and to the Assignor's representation of the Client with respect thereto. The Assignor will cooperate with the Assignee in order to effect the transfer of such records.
5. Assignee Representations and Warranties. The Assignee represents and warrants that it is a Limited Liability Company duly organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, that the execution and delivery of this Agreement has been duly authorized by all necessary action of the Assignee, and that this Agreement is valid, binding and enforceable according to its terms.
6. Indemnities. Assignee hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Client and its officers, directors, members, managers, partners, employees, agents, successors and assignees, from and against any and all losses, damages, liabilities, obligations, assessments, suits, actions, proceedings, claims or demands, including costs, expenses and fees (including reasonable attorneys' fees, accountant, paralegal, and expert witness fees) incurred in connection with, suffered by any of them or asserted against any of them, arising out of or based upon any default, liability or obligation under the Prior Agreement which occurred or arose before the Effective Date. Assignee hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Assignor and its, officers, directors, members, managers, partners, employees, agents, successors and assignees, from and against any and all losses, damages, liabilities,

obligations, assessments, suits, actions, proceedings, claims or demands, including costs, expenses and fees (including reasonable attorneys' fees, accountant, paralegal, and expert witness fees) incurred in connection with, suffered by any of them or asserted against any of them, arising out of or based upon any default, liability or obligation under the Prior Agreement which occurs or arises on or after the Effective Date. Nothing in this section limits Client's rights, remedies, or protections under the Prior Agreement, including any indemnity obligations owed to Client.

7. Assignor Representations. Assignor hereby acknowledges, agrees, certifies and represents to Client and Assignee as follows:
 - a. A true, complete and accurate copy of the Prior Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. The Prior Agreement represents the entire understanding between Client and Assignor with respect to the completion of services included in the scope of the Prior Agreement. The Prior Agreement is in full force and effect. The original Prior Agreement has not been modified, altered or amended except as attached hereto.
 - b. To the Assignor's best knowledge, there exists no default of Client or Assignor under the Prior Agreement nor any state of facts that, with the passage of time or the giving of notice or both would constitute a default under the Prior Agreement.
8. Assignor Waivers. To the extent applicable, Assignor hereby waives its right to assert any defense to its liability under the Prior Agreement based on (a) Client's failure to make any demand for performance or to give a notice of nonperformance to Assignor; (b) any defense based upon an election of remedies by Assignor under the Prior Agreement, including any election which destroys or impairs any right of subrogation, reimbursement or contribution which Assignor may have; and (c) any rights or benefits in favor of Assignor under Sections 2809, 2810, 2815, 2819, 2839, 2845, 2848, 2849 or 2850 of the California Civil Code, or any amendment to any of the foregoing statutes. If all or any portion of Assignor's obligations under the Prior Agreement are paid or performed, Assignor's liability shall continue and remain in full force and effect in the event that all or any part of such payment or performance is subsequently avoided or recovered from Client as a preference, fraudulent transfer or otherwise.
9. Consent. Client hereby consents to Assignor's assignment of all of Assignor's right, title, and interest in and to the Prior Agreement to Assignee, subject to and upon all of the terms and conditions set forth herein. In granting this consent, Client does not waive any of Client's rights under the Prior Agreement, including without limitation Client's right to payment,

claims, and remedies arising prior to or after the Effective Date. Further, such consent shall not be deemed a waiver by Client of its right of consent with respect to any subsequent Prior Agreement, sub-contract or assignment by Assignor or Assignee. Client acknowledges the terms specified for Period of Services in Section 3 of the Prior Agreement. Client's consent is not intended and shall not be construed (a) to modify or otherwise affect any provisions of the Prior Agreement; or (b) as binding or obligating Client in any manner whatsoever with respect to any covenants, representations, undertakings or agreements solely between Assignor and Assignee.

10. **Release.** This Agreement releases Client of Client's obligations under the Prior Agreement including Client obligation to pay Assignor and to perform all other obligations to be performed by Assignor under the Prior Agreement effective upon the Effective Date; provided, however, that nothing herein shall release, waive, impair, limit, or otherwise affect any rights, claims, remedies, payment obligations, indemnities, reimbursement obligations, or other obligations owing to Client, whether accrued, contingent, known or unknown, arising prior to or as of the Effective Date, unless expressly assumed by Assignee in writing and accepted by Client.
11. **Notices.** From and after the Effective Date, notices required under this Agreement shall be delivered personally or by e-mail or by first class or certified mail with postage prepaid. Notice shall be deemed effective upon personal delivery or email-receipt, or on the third day after deposit with the U.S. Postal Service. Unless otherwise changed according to these notice provisions, notices shall be addressed as follows:

To ASSIGNEE:

Actum II LLC

Fabian Nunez

Managing Partner

767 S. Alameda Street, Suite 490

Los Angeles, CA 90021

Tel: (916) 446-3413

Email: fnunez@actumllc.com

To CLIENT:

TAMC

Todd A. Muck

Executive Director

55-B Plaza Circle

Salinas, CA 93901

Tel: 831-775-0903

Email: todd@tamcmonterey.org

Billing Contacts:

Tina Liu

917-860-5369

accounting@actumllc.com

Mi Ra Park

831-775-4418

accountspayable@tamcmonterey.org

12. Miscellaneous.

- a. Binding Effect. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns. Consistent with the Prior Agreement, Assignor has obtained Client's written consents to this Agreement in the forms attached hereto.
- b. Attorneys' Fees. If any legal action is brought concerning any matter relating to this Agreement, or by reason of any breach of any covenant, condition or agreement referred to in this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to have and recover from the other Party to the action all costs and expenses of suit, including attorneys' fees.
- c. Amendments. This Agreement may not be altered, waived, amended, or extended except by a written agreement signed by the parties.
- d. No Partnership or Joint Venture. This Agreement does not constitute an agreement of partnership or joint venture and does not authorize the Assignor to act as an agent for the Assignee for any purpose, nor authorize the Assignee to act as an agent for the Assignor for any purpose.
- e. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed under the laws of the State of California, without regard to its principles of conflicts of law.
- f. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original, but all of which will together constitute one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed signature page of this Agreement by facsimile or electronic transmission shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart thereof.
- g. Section Headings. The section headings used in this Agreement are for reference only and are not intended to describe, interpret, define or limit the scope, extent or intent of this Agreement.

DATED as of the last date opposite the respective signatures below, but effective as of the Effective Date.

ASSIGNOR:

Khoury Consulting, LLC

By: _____

Gus Khouri
President

Date: _____

ASSIGNEE:

ACTUM II, LLC

By: _____

Fabian Nunez
Managing Partner

Date: _____

CONSENT BY CLIENT

Client hereby acknowledges and consents to the foregoing assignment and assumption by and between Assignor and Assignee.

Transportation Agency for Monterey County:

By: _____

Todd A. Muck
Executive Director

Date: _____

Approved as to Form and Legality

By: _____

Shane Eben Strong
TAMC Counsel

Dated: _____

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Jefferson Kise, Director of Finance & Administration
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Contract with Regional Government Services Authority**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Contract with Regional Government Services Authority for Limited Classification Study:**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute a contract with the Regional Government Services Authority, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, in an amount not to exceed \$23,600, to provide human resources consulting services, for the period ending June 30, 2027;
2. **APPROVE** the use of \$23,600 of reserve funds for this project;
3. **APPROVE** a sole source finding due to highly specialized expertise; and
4. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

SUMMARY:

The Agency's Finance and Administration staffing structure has not kept pace with the growth and increasing complexity of its operations. Staff recommends retaining Regional Government Services Authority (RGS) to conduct a classification and organizational study to evaluate staffing needs, organizational structure, and future position development. RGS is recommended on a sole-source basis due to its familiarity with the Agency.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The FY26/27 budget does not include funds specifically for this purpose, but it does reflect a \$67,282 surplus being added to reserves. This contract would draw up to \$23,600 of agency reserves. The RGS agreement is for time and materials, and the last RGS contract was completed 30% under its contract limit.

DISCUSSION:

The Agency's Finance and Administration functions have expanded significantly over time, resulting in increased workload, technical requirements, and organizational complexity. While Transportation Planner and Planning Engineering positions have established classification progressions that accommodate increasing responsibilities and employee development, the Finance and Administration functions do not have a comparable structure. As a result, some positions have evolved beyond their original scope, and the Agency has limited flexibility to align classifications with the complexity of work being performed or to provide advancement opportunities for high-performing employees.

The Administration team currently consists of an Administrative Assistant and a Senior Administrative Assistant/Clerk of the Board. Finance functions are performed by an Accounting Assistant, Contracts & Grants Coordinator, and Finance Officer. As the Agency's responsibilities have grown, it is appropriate to evaluate whether these positions, reporting relationships, and responsibilities remain aligned with operational needs.

The proposed study will provide a comprehensive review of the Agency's Finance and Administration functions, including service delivery, workload distribution, staffing capacity, and organizational effectiveness. The analysis will assess both current and anticipated future needs and identify opportunities to improve efficiency, realign responsibilities, clarify roles, and address training or professional development needs.

In addition, the study will evaluate whether new classifications or additional position levels are warranted to create a more complete career progression framework. The results will help ensure that the Agency's organizational structure remains scalable, supports employee retention and succession planning, and provides the capacity necessary to meet the Agency's evolving operational and strategic objectives.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Scope of Work and Budget

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

EXHIBIT A: Scope of Work and Schedule

Project Title: Classification Study

See RGS proposal in Exhibit G

Consultant Project Manager: Patty Howard

Scope of Work & Project Schedule

Classification and Staffing Study	Tentative Dates	Responsible Party
1. Kick-off meeting to discuss the scope of the study.	Weeks 1-2	TAMC/RGS
2. Review key documents and the administrative structure of the unit.	Weeks 1-2	RGS
3. Orientation meeting(s) with employees to provide information on study and directions about online PDQ.	Week 3	TAMC/RGS
4. Issue online PDQs to employees.	Week 3	RGS
5. Employee completed; PDQs sent to manager/department head for review.	Week 5	TAMC
6. First and second review completed, and all PDQs submitted to RGS for analysis.	Week 6	TAMC
7. Status meeting update regarding PDQ submittals.	Week 6	TAMC/RGS
8. Review all PDQs and reviewer comments.	Weeks 7-8	RGS
9. Employees/Managers/General Manager interviews.	Weeks 9-10	TAMC/RGS
10. Review staffing structures of comparator agencies.	Weeks 11-12	RGS
11. Analyze and develop staffing recommendations.	Weeks 12-13	RGS
12. Status meeting to discuss findings and draft recommendations for classification plan.	Week 14	TAMC/RGS
13. Conduct salary survey for new classifications (if required).	Week 14-15	RGS
14. Draft study report and supporting documents and submit to the TAMC for review.	Weeks 15-16	RGS
15. The TAMC returns draft classification descriptions and report to RGS with edits.	Week 17	TAMC
16. Final report and supporting documents submitted to the TAMC.	Week 18	RGS

17. Presentation to Board of Directors and other stakeholders regarding findings and recommendations.	TBD	TAMC/RGS
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EXHIBIT B: Budget

RGS bills only for the actual hours attributable to the project at the specific Advisor or Technician's rate.

Classification and Staffing Study Phases	Estimated Cost
1. Client contact: Kick-off meeting; status reports/meetings; correspondence with the TAMC staff; review of all TAMC documents.	\$2,900
2. Class study: Review PDQs and other agency documents, interview staff, analyze data, develop recommendations for classification changes and related salary and class specification updates.	\$13,500
3. Staffing study: Review current assignments, workflow processes, and unit responsibilities; interview staff to determine any recommended staff adjustments, provide external staffing data through review of staffing structures of comparator agencies to provide.	\$3,300
4. Study documents: Draft/final classification and staffing assessment study report; updated class specifications.	\$2,700
5. Presentations: present findings and recommendations to the TAMC management and the Board of Directors.	\$1,200
Total Estimated Cost Not To Exceed:	\$23,600

Compensation

Electronic payment by ACH, wire transfer, or other electronic funds transfer is the preferred method of payment.

Fees. Consultant services are provided on an hourly rate basis. The current fiscal year rates are noted in the table below for each Consultant employee which may provide services under the Agreement.

The hourly rate for work will be billed at the following hourly rates based on the Advisor(s) assigned to the project.

TITLE	HOURLY RATE
Strategic Services Consultant	\$197
Senior Advisor	\$166
Advisor	\$141
Technical Specialist	\$128
Administrative Specialist	\$111

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Jefferson Kise, Director of Finance & Administration
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Contract with Client First Technology**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Contract with Client First Technology:**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute Amendment #1 to the contract with Client First Technology, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, to provide project management and oversight services, for the period ending December 31, 2027;
2. **APPROVE** the use of \$100,000 of funds budgeted for this project; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

SUMMARY:

Client First Technology was selected through a competitive bid process to provide needs assessment, RFP development and vendor selection assistance for new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software for the agency. Staff has been very happy with the service provided by Client First and wishes to engage them further to provide support for the implementation process.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The new contract total is \$139,988, where the original \$39,988 had been budgeted and was approved under the Executive Director's authority. The FY26/27 budget includes this additional \$100,000 for ERP implementation consulting.

DISCUSSION:

Major system upgrades are complicated and time-consuming. Early decisions can have lasting implications. Therefore, contracting additional expertise and project management capacity supports staff in this effort while they are also keeping up with normal operations. The Client First role is intended to complement TAMC's internal project team and the vendor's implementation resources by providing experienced, independent oversight and practical guidance based on their extensive experience supporting ERP implementations for public-sector organizations.

The initial project task order provides for 'Project Initiation/Coordination and Recurring Project Oversight' with a budget of \$78,000. The Client First proposal offers additional 'As Needed Activities' such as business process workshop, system configuration, testing, modifications, quality control, and acceptance testing. Should the agency identify any needs beyond the initial task order, this

authorization permits the agency to add task orders up to the \$100,000 budgeted for the amendment (**attached**).

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Client First amend 1

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

**AMENDMENT #1 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
BETWEEN
THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
AND
CLIENTFIRST TECHNOLOGY CONSULTING**

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 to the agreement dated June 30, 2025, between the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, hereinafter referred to as “TAMC,” and ClientFirst Consulting Group, LLC, dba ClientFirst Technology Consulting, hereinafter referred to as “Consultant,” is hereby entered into between TAMC and Consultant.

RECITALS:

- A. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant entered into an agreement for professional services on June 30, 2025, hereinafter referred to as “Agreement;” and
- B. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant desire to amend the Agreement to extend the deadline by 18 months to December 31, 2027, and increase the budget by \$100,000, for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$139,988, to provide Enterprise Resource Planning software implementation project management services;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. TERM OF AGREEMENT

Paragraph 1 of the Agreement is amended as follows: “The term of this Agreement shall begin upon June 30, 2025, contingent upon approval by the TAMC Board, and Consultant shall commence work only after a Notice to Proceed has been issued by TAMC’s Project Manager specified in Paragraph 35. Unless earlier terminated as provided herein, this Agreement shall remain in force until ~~June 30, 2026~~ December 31, 2027. Consultant acknowledges that this Agreement is not binding until it is fully executed and approved by TAMC.”

2. **PAYMENTS TO CONSULTANT; MAXIMUM LIABILITY**

Paragraph 2 of the Agreement is amended as follows: “Subject to the limitations set forth herein, TAMC shall pay to Consultant the amounts provided in Exhibit B: Budget, upon receipt and acceptance of deliverables listed therein. Each payment by TAMC shall be for a specific deliverable or services outlined in Exhibit A: Scope of Work and Schedule. The maximum amount payable to the Consultant under this Agreement is set forth in Exhibit B: Budget and shall not exceed the amount of ~~Thirty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Eight~~ One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Eight Dollars (~~\$39,988~~ \$139,988). If there is any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of either Exhibit A (Scope of Work and Schedule) or Exhibit B (Budget), the terms of this Agreement shall prevail. TAMC does not guarantee any minimum amount of dollars to be spent under this Agreement.”

The Budget attached to the Agreement as Exhibit B is hereby replaced with the Budget attached hereto as Exhibit B-1 and shall be effective upon execution.

The Scope of Services attached to the Agreement as Exhibit A is hereby replaced with the Scope of Services attached hereto as Exhibit A-1 and shall be effective upon execution.

3. **REMAINDER OF TERMS UNCHANGED**

All other terms of the Agreement, as amended, remain in full effect.

An executed copy of this Amendment No. 1 shall be attached to the Agreement and shall be incorporated as if fully set forth therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with ClientFirst Consulting Group, LLC, dba ClientFirst Technology Consulting.

ClientFirst Technology Consulting

TAMC

By: _____
David W. Krout
Member

By: _____
Todd A. Muck
Executive Director

Dated: _____

Dated: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: If Consultant is a corporation (including limited liability and nonprofit corporations), the full legal name of the corporation shall be set forth together with the signatures of two specified officers. If Consultant is a partnership, the name of the partnership shall be set forth together with the signature of a partner with authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the partnership. If Consultant is contracting in an individual capacity, the individual shall set forth the name of his or her business, if any, and shall personally sign the Agreement.

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Approved as to form:

TAMC Counsel

Dated: _____

Exhibit A-1 & B-1

ERP Implementation Technical Project Management Estimate		
Cost Category	Comments	Budgetary Estimates
Project Initiation/Coordination and Recurring Project Oversight	Implementation resource planning. Chart of Accounts development assistance. Defined step/task deliverables conducted at the beginning of each implementation phase. Recurring project management oversight	\$78,000
Additional "As-Needed Activities"	Optional - These tasks depend on TAMC's needs and will only be delivered with TAMC's prior confirmation and approval: • Business Process and Workflow Workshops • System Configuration • Data Conversion • Testing • Integrations • Modifications/Enhancements • Reporting • Project Quality Control and Acceptance Testing • Go-Live Readiness Review and Cutover Planning • Go-Live and Issue Resolution • Project Closeout • Post-Implementation Review	\$22,000
TOTAL	12-Month Budgetary Estimate	\$100,000

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Jefferson Kise, Director of Finance & Administration
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: Contract with Aclarian LLC for Enterprise Resource Planning Software

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Contract with Aclarian LLC for Enterprise Resource Planning Software**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute a contract with Aclarian LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$344,000, to provide Enterprise Resource Planning software, for the period ending June 30, 2031;
2. **APPROVE** the use of \$344,000 of funds budgeted for this project; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

SUMMARY:

The Agency's year-long project to competitively procure a new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software platform has resulted in the selection of Aclarian, LLC. Aclarian will provide all the financial and grant accounting and reporting functionality, and, in partnership with Paychex, will also support payroll and human resource information management. The implementation project estimates a 12–18 month implementation period, with the annual subscription contract extending for three years once the first module goes live.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The implementation and annual licensing costs of \$344,000 are included in the agency budget.

DISCUSSION:

The agency has spent the last year defining its financial, grant, payroll, human resources management and reporting needs from a systems' standpoint. With the needs defined, the agency prepared a feature-function specific Request for Proposals (RFP), approved by the TAMC Board on October 22 and published on October 29, 2025. Seven proposals were received by the deadline of December 11, 2025. The responses were evaluated and scored, resulting in two vendors being invited to give software demonstrations. The demos were structured to address 12 system functions and lasted a day and a half each.

The Aclarian software platform was selected for several reasons. The most significant of which are: the highest RFP score reflecting the system's alignment with the agency's needs; expertise of the management and implementation team; and cost. Additionally, the payroll and human resources

information system features being offered by Paychex are a significant advancement from the current manual processes currently used by the agency.

The Aclarian Software subscription and outsourced services agreement is online as a **web attachment**.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[Aclarian Software Subscription and Outsourced Services Agreement](#)

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Jefferson Kise, Director of Finance & Administration
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Ausonio Construction Management - Contract Amendment #1**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Ausonio Construction Management — Contract Amendment #1**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute Amendment #1 with Ausonio Construction Management, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, to increase the budget by \$102,168 for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$302,168, and to add scope for construction management and on-call property inspection services, for the period ending June 30, 2028;
2. **APPROVE** the use of reserve funds budgeted to this purpose; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the amendment, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved amendment term or amount.

SUMMARY:

Ausonio was awarded a sole source contract as they were the only qualified respondent to a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) solicitation in February 2025. This amendment to the contract provides additional scope and funds to work through the leasehold improvements needed in the new Taylor Building space, as well as an On-Call task order for property inspection services for potential property purchases.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The initial contract included a not-to-exceed amount of \$200,000. This amendment would add \$102,168 to the budget for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$302,168. These funds are included in the FY26/27 budget using reserve funds designated for these services.

DISCUSSION:

TAMC has been working with Ausonio Incorporated over the past year to evaluate options for a future agency headquarters, including constructing a new facility, purchasing an existing building, or leasing office space. During that process, Ausonio has provided project management and technical support to help staff assess the feasibility, costs, and implementation considerations associated with each alternative. As the agency's need to relocate has become more immediate, staff has advanced negotiations for tenant improvements in leased office space within the Taylor Building.

This amendment adds funding and scope necessary for Ausonio to support the tenant improvement

project through completion and occupancy. Specifically, Task Order 2c is new work being added to the agreement and includes management and coordination of the design, permitting, and construction administration phases for the Taylor Building tenant improvements. Services include preparation of construction documents, coordination of architectural and engineering disciplines, management of the permitting process, and construction administration activities such as responding to requests for information, reviewing submittals, change orders, and payment applications. This task will provide the professional support needed to deliver the tenant improvements and facilitate the agency's move into the new office space.

The amendment also adds Task Order 3, a new on-call site evaluation and building inspection services task, to support the agency's continued efforts to identify and evaluate potential properties for long-term ownership. While the leased office space addresses the agency's immediate occupancy needs, staff continues to monitor opportunities to purchase a suitable property. Under this task, Ausonio may coordinate site visits, engage specialized consultants, perform due diligence investigations, evaluate existing building conditions, and provide assessments of potential construction or renovation requirements associated with candidate properties. This work will be utilized as opportunities arise and will support staff's ability to make informed recommendations regarding future property acquisition. There is currently a property of interest that staff would like to evaluate further, and services would be authorized under this task order if additional inspections or due diligence activities are warranted.

Approval of Amendment No. 1 increases the agreement amount from \$200,000 to \$302,168 and extends the scope of services to include these additional tenant improvement and property evaluation activities necessary to support both the agency's short-term office relocation and long-term facility planning objectives.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Amendment to the Agreement_Ausonio #1 final

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

AMENDMENT #1 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
BETWEEN
THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
AND
AUSONIO INCORPORATED

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 to the agreement dated June 1st, 2025, between the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, hereinafter referred to as “TAMC,” and Ausonio Incorporated, hereinafter referred to as “Consultant,” is hereby entered into between TAMC and Consultant.

R E C I T A L S:

- A. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant entered into an agreement for professional services on June 1, 2025, hereinafter referred to as “Agreement;” and
- B. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant desire to amend the Agreement to increase the budget by \$102,168 for a new not-to-exceed budget of \$302,168 in order to provide tenant improvement design, construction management, and on-call building inspection services;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. **PAYMENTS TO CONSULTANT; MAXIMUM LIABILITY**

Paragraph 2 of the Agreement is amended as follows: “Subject to the limitations set forth herein, TAMC shall pay to Consultant the amounts provided in Exhibit B: Budget, upon receipt and acceptance of deliverables listed therein. Each payment by TAMC shall be for a specific deliverable or services outlined in Exhibit A: Scope of Work and Schedule. The maximum amount payable to the Consultant under this Agreement is set forth in Exhibit B: Budget and shall not exceed the amount of ~~Two Hundred Thousand (\$200,000)~~ Three Hundred and Two Thousand One Hundred and Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$302,168). If there is any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of either Exhibit A (Scope of Work and Schedule) or Exhibit B (Budget), the terms of this Agreement shall prevail. TAMC does not guarantee any minimum amount of dollars to be spent under this Agreement.”

The Budget attached to the Agreement as amended as Exhibit B is hereby appended with the Budget attached hereto as Exhibit B-1 and shall be effective upon execution.

The Scope of Services attached to the Agreement as amended as Exhibit A is hereby

appended with the Scope of Services attached hereto as Exhibit A-1 and shall be effective upon execution.

2. REMAINDER OF TERMS UNCHANGED

All other terms of the Agreement, as amended, remain in full effect.

An executed copy of this Amendment No. 1 shall be attached to the Agreement and shall be incorporated as if fully set forth therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with Ausonio Incorporated.

Ausonio Incorporated

TAMC

By: _____
Andrew Ausonio
President and CEO

By: _____
Todd A. Muck
Executive Director

Dated: .

Dated: .

INSTRUCTIONS: If Consultant is a corporation (including limited liability and nonprofit corporations), the full legal name of the corporation shall be set forth together with the signatures of two specified officers. If Consultant is a partnership, the name of the partnership shall be set forth together with the signature of a partner with authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the partnership. If Consultant is contracting in an individual capacity, the individual shall set forth the name of his or her business, if any, and shall personally sign the Agreement.

Approved as to form:

TAMC Counsel

Dated: .

Exhibit A-1

Task Order 2c

This proposal outlines the scope of services and methodology for **Task 2c** which includes continued development of the schematic design through the Construction Document (CDs) Phase, permitting approval process and construction administration design services by In Studio Architecture for the office tenant improvement. This would include preparation of architectural, mechanical, plumbing and electrical design drawings and the following scope:

- Preparing Construction Documents
- Administering the Permitting Process
- Architectural Construction Administration (RFIs, Submittals, CO and Payment Application review).

This scope does not include furniture layout.

Deliverables associated with this scope include:

- Construction Documents
- Permit Approval
- Bid Documents for review

Task Order 3

Ausonio will provide continued support for future office site evaluation activities. Services may include site visits, engaging necessary consultants to evaluate potential properties, existing conditions and anticipated construction requirements, and property-related research, as requested by TAMC.

Exhibit B-1

Task Order 2c

Based on the anticipated duration, we propose establishing a fixed fee of **Seventy Seven Thousand One Hundred Sixty Eight dollars (\$77,168)**, which includes subconsultant cost of \$68,900 (Design Services), \$6,890 (10%) for oversight of subconsultant, and an allowance of \$1,378 (2%) for reimbursable expenses (costs incurred to be billed). TAMC will be invoiced on a percent complete.

Task Order 3

Based on the anticipated level and duration of support, Ausonio proposes a **not to exceed fee of Twenty Five Thousand dollars (\$25,000)**. Services will be invoiced on an hourly basis in accordance with the attached rate schedule. Reimbursable expenses and annual rate adjustments, if applicable, will be handled in accordance with the attached rate schedule and governing contract.

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Mi Ra Park, Finance Officer/Analyst
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: RFP for Property Management Services

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Request for Proposals for Property Management Services:**

1. **APPROVE** the scope of work for a Request for Proposals (RFP) for property management services, subject to Agency counsel approval;
2. **AUTHORIZE** 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. **APPROVE** the use of up to \$65,000 per year of the Agency rail lease revenues for lease and property management services.

SUMMARY:

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide property management services for the Monterey Branch Line property located adjacent to Del Monte Boulevard, from Contra Costa Street to Playa Ave and a portion near Castroville, as well as possible future leases. Services include lease administration, property inspections, tenant relations, maintenance coordination, compliance monitoring, reporting, lease renewals, and related real estate support.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

TAMC estimates the property management services will cost a market rate percentage of the total lease revenue with potential fixed cost based on additional services. The cost for these services will be funded from lease revenues. These expenses were not in the FY26-27 budget.

DISCUSSION:

The Monterey Branch Line was purchased by TAMC in 2003 and consists of a 100-foot wide, approximately 12.5-mile long corridor extending between Seaside and Castroville adjacent to Highway 1. TAMC currently manages twelve leased properties along the corridor, including eleven commercial leases in Sand City and one agricultural lease near Castroville. In addition to these existing leases, the Agency anticipates future leasing opportunities and ongoing property management needs for Monterey Branch Line right-of-way properties adjacent to Del Monte Boulevard between Contra Costa Street and Playa Avenue in Seaside and Sand City. The proposed RFP would also cover future property management assistance needed if TAMC acquires commercial property for an agency office.

TAMC does not maintain in-house commercial property management staff with the specialized

expertise necessary to administer leases, oversee property compliance, manage tenant relations, coordinate maintenance activities, and pursue future leasing opportunities. To ensure these publicly owned assets are professionally managed and continue generating lease revenue, staff proposes issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for qualified firms experienced in commercial property management, preferably with public agency, institutional property, easement, and right-of-way management experience.

Under the draft Scope of Work, the selected consultant would assume responsibility for transitioning and organizing existing lease records; administering lease agreements, rent escalations, insurance requirements, and compliance obligations; collecting rents and monitoring delinquencies; conducting quarterly documented property inspections; coordinating maintenance and repair activities; preparing monthly management reports; supporting lease renewals and negotiations; and assisting with marketing and establishing new leases where appropriate. Additional responsibilities may include management of encroachments, illegal dumping, vegetation control, and unauthorized uses within the railroad right-of-way.

The consultant will serve as TAMC's primary point of contact for tenants and will provide regular reporting regarding occupancy, rent collections, delinquent accounts, inspection findings, maintenance issues, insurance expirations, lease milestones, and recommended actions. The scope also includes support for property appraisals, market rent analyses, and coordination with legal, survey, or appraisal professionals when necessary. TAMC staff believes outsourcing these services will provide more efficient management of Agency-owned properties while supporting revenue generation and protecting the Agency's real estate assets.

Following Board authorization, staff will release the RFP, and proposals will be due by October 5, 2026. Staff will return to the TAMC Board with a recommendation for consultant selection and final contract approval in December 2026.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. RFP Property Management 2026 v2 scope only--

WEB ATTACHMENTS:



PROJECT BUDGET

The estimated budget for this work is \$65,000 per year. There is no federal funding on this project.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

Date/ Timeframe	Task
August 31, 2026	Distribute RFP
September 14 ,2026	Questions due to Agency
October 5, 2026	Proposals due by 12:00 pm noon Pacific Time
October 5-9, 2026	Review and rank proposals
October 12-19, 2026	Hold interviews (if necessary)
October 26, 2026	Determine top ranked consultant, send Tentative Award letter, negotiate contract
December	Bring contract to TAMC Board for approval

SCOPE OF WORK

Property Management Services

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Project Description

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide property management services for leased properties owned by TAMC, future leases and buildings, and management of Monterey Branch Line right-of-way property adjacent to Del Monte Boulevard, Seaside, CA from south of Contra Costa Street to Playa Avenue.

Services include lease administration, property inspections, tenant coordination, maintenance coordination, encroachment and compliance monitoring, reporting, lease renewals, and related real estate support.

General Scope of Work

- Transition existing lease files and establish management records.
- Administer leases, critical dates, rent escalations, insurance, and compliance.
- Collect rents and monitor delinquencies.
- Pursue potential new leases.
- Conduct quarterly inspections to ensure compliance with lease terms and municipal ordinances and submit written reports.
- Coordinate maintenance and repairs upon TAMC authorization.
- Prepare monthly management reports.
- Conduct lease renewals, appraisals, marketing, and negotiations as requested.
- Attend meetings with TAMC staff and Board as requested.
- Identify landscaping needs, vegetation overgrowth, encampments, illegal dumping, debris, and other property maintenance or safety concerns.
- Coordinate landscaping services, including vegetation management, weed abatement, tree and shrub maintenance, irrigation issues, and general site cleanup on properties.

Lease Administration

- Maintain electronic lease files.
- Draft new lease agreements, lease area exhibit when appropriate
- Track lease dates, renewals, rent escalations, insurance, security deposits, and tenant compliance.
- Maintain tenant contact information.

Financial Administration

- Collect and track rent and other payments.
- Prepare, delivery, track, and respond to delinquency notices.
- Remit net rent to TAMC monthly along with a financial summary.

Property Inspections

- Conduct quarterly inspections with photographs.
- Immediately report urgent issues.
- Inspect for encroachments, illegal dumping, graffiti, fencing, pavement, drainage, vegetation, safety hazards, unauthorized storage, and abandoned vehicles for lease properties for property adjacent to Del Monte Bl from Contra Costa St. to Playa Ave in Seaside, CA

Tenant Relations

- Serve as the primary tenant contact.
- Coordinate access requests.
- Document and resolve routine tenant issues.

Maintenance Coordination

- Solicit contractor quotes.
- Coordinate contractor access upon TAMC approval.
- Verify completed work.
- Recommend preventive maintenance.

Vacancy Management

- Inspect vacant properties.
- Recommend security measures.

Lease Renewals

- Notify TAMC 180 days before expiration.
- Recommend renewal strategies.
- Coordinate market rent reviews and appraisals.
- Assist negotiations.

Reporting

- Monthly report should include occupancy, rent collections, delinquencies, inspections, maintenance, insurance expirations, lease milestones, tenant issues, and recommended actions.

Risk Management

- Track and maintain insurance certificates.
- Track and maintain Costal Development Permits as necessary.
- Assess and report liability concerns.
- Immediately notify TAMC of hazardous conditions.

Property Records

- Maintain leases, amendments, correspondence, inspection reports, photographs, and maintenance history.

Other Optional Services

- Provide market rent analyses.
- Coordination with appraisers, surveyors, and legal counsel as necessary.

- Management of unauthorized use of the right of way property adjacent to Del Monte Bl. from area south of Contra Costa St. to Playa Ave in Seaside and Sand City, CA.
- Coordinate removal and proper disposal of illegally dumped materials, abandoned property, debris, and other waste for unleased properties adjacent to Del Monte Bl. from area south Contra Costa St. to Playa Ave. in Seaside, CA.

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Aaron Hernandez, Associate Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Transportation Development Act Allocation & Unmet Transit Needs**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Transportation Development Act Allocation:**

1. **RECEIVE** the 2026 Unmet Transit Needs List;
2. **APPROVE** Monterey-Salinas Transit's application for State Transportation Development Act funds; and
3. **ADOPT** Resolution 2026-14 allocating a total of \$27,641,657 in Transportation Development Act funds to Monterey-Salinas Transit, consisting of \$22,415,515 in Local Transportation Funds and \$5,226,142 in State Transit Assistance funds for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

SUMMARY:

As the Regional Transportation Planning Agency, TAMC oversees the approval process for allocating State funds devoted to local transit expenditures. On an annual basis, the Monterey-Salinas Transit District submits an application to TAMC for Transportation Development Act Funds. Allocation of Transportation Development Act funds must occur after the agency completes the Unmet Transit Needs process.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Transportation Agency allocates all available Local Transportation Funds and State Transit Assistance funds to MST to support public transit service. The estimated total Fiscal Year 2026-27 allocation to MST is \$27,641,657, consisting of \$22,414,515 in Local Transportation Funds and \$5,226,142 in State Transit Assistance Funds.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Development Act provides two major sources of funding of public transportation in California. The first, the Local Transportation Fund, is derived from 1/4 cent of the general sales tax collected statewide. The second, the State Transit Assistance fund, is generated from the statewide sales tax on diesel fuel and distributed back to transportation planning agencies on a population-based (Public Utilities Code 99313) and transit operator revenue-based (Public Utilities Code 99314) formula.

Each February, the Transportation Agency prepares an estimate of the Local Transportation funds it expects to be available in the coming fiscal year. The Local Transportation Fund estimate for Monterey-Salinas Transit District is \$22,414,515.

Local Transportation Funds are apportioned to eligible users in the following priority order, pursuant to State law:

1. Transportation Agency Administration and Planning;
2. Bicycle & pedestrian projects via the Transportation Development Act 2% program;
3. Public transit by jurisdiction, based on population as reported by the Dept of Finance; and
4. Construction and maintenance of local streets and roads.

The second source of funding, State Transit Assistance, may be used by transit operators for transit operations and capital projects. For operations, state law requires transit operators to comply with efficiency standards to demonstrate that the operating cost per revenue vehicle hour is increasing by no more than the Consumer Price Index. For capital projects, there are no restrictions. The estimate of State Transit Assistance funding for this fiscal year is \$5,226,142.

Prior to allocating Local Transportation funds, TAMC is required to conduct a public hearing and outreach to identify unmet transit needs. TAMC no longer allocates Local Transportation Funds for local streets and roads projects, and is therefore no longer required to adopt a finding on unmet transit needs. However, prior to allocating Local Transportation funds, TAMC is required to conduct a public hearing and outreach to identify unmet transit needs. The unmet transit needs process is included as **Attachment 1**.

The unmet transit needs comment list serves as a public input tool for MST's short and long-term transit service planning and improvements, and assists in prioritizing transit projects as funds become available. All comments are reviewed with MST staff to consider options to implement requests based on the time frame in which unmet transit needs can be met. In some cases, jurisdictions are contacted if an unmet transit need falls into a service that MST does not provide or capital improvement projects that falls under a jurisdiction's responsibility to implement, such as ADA sidewalk improvements to add new transit stops. The unmet transit needs process also involved input from the MST Mobility Advisory Committee and an additional public hearing was conducted at a Greenfield City Council Meeting in March 2026.

There were no new comments received in the 2026 Unmet Transit Needs Process. However, the Unmet Transit Needs List (**Attachment 2**) is updated from past needs that continue to be a long-term improvement or have otherwise been completed.

Staff recommends that the Board approve MST's application and adopt Resolution 2026-14 (**Attachment 3**), which allocates \$27,641,657 in Transportation Development Act funds to MST for public transit service in Monterey County for fiscal year 2026-27.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. About Unmet Transit Needs
2. 2026 Unmet Transit Needs List
3. Resolution 2026-14 - LTF & STA Allocation FY 2026-27

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

About the Unmet Transit Needs Process

The California Legislature enacted the Transportation Development Act (TDA) in 1971 to improve public transit services and encourage regional transportation coordination. TDA statutes require transportation planning agencies using TDA funds for local streets and roads projects, to implement a public process, including a public hearing, to identify unmet transit needs of transit dependent or disadvantaged persons, and determine if unmet transit needs can be reasonably met.

In its role as the TDA fund administrator, the Transportation Agency for Monterey County annually solicits public input to identify unmet transit needs. Although TAMC no longer allocates TDA funds to local streets and roads, the Agency still continues to solicit public input on unmet transit needs.

The unmet transit needs process begins with public outreach to solicit comments on unmet transit needs. Public hearings to collect comments on unmet transit needs are held at a meeting of TAMC's Board of Directors and at a meeting of Monterey-Salinas Transit's Mobility Advisory Committee, which serves as TAMC's Social Services Transportation Advisory Council. TAMC's Board of Director's receives the final unmet transit needs list of comments.

Unmet Transit Need Definition

An unmet transit need is a public transportation need that the public transportation system is not currently meeting and would be expected to generate sufficient ridership to meet the required 15% farebox recovery ratio, as set by the TAMC Resolution 2004-19 pursuant to TDA law.

Unmet Transit Need Evaluation

Unmet transit needs are placed into the following categories:

1. Transit service improvement requests that would improve an existing service.
2. Transit service expansion requests that extend a transit route beyond its current limits and fill a gap in service.
3. Capital improvement projects that would enhance existing public transit facilities.

TAMC shares the list of unmet transit needs comments with Monterey-Salinas Transit, the only public transportation provider in the county. The unmet transit needs comments list serves as a public input tool for MST's short and long term transit service planning and improvements. TAMC works with MST to evaluate comments based on the time frame in which unmet transit needs can be met:

- Short term transit improvements are those that can be implemented in the current service year within MST's funding limits and without negatively impacting existing services.
- Long term transit improvements are those that would require additional funding beyond MST's current funding limits. Long term improvement comments remain on the unmet transit needs comment list until additional funding becomes available.

MST's Mobility Advisory Committee provides input on the categorized unmet transit needs comments list. This input serves to prioritize needs in the region, and is used to assist prioritizing transit projects as funds become available. The TAMC Board of Directors will receive the final list.

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Unmet transit needs are placed into the following categories:

1. Transit service improvement requests that would improve an existing service.
2. Transit service expansion requests that extend a transit route beyond its current limits and fill a gap in service.
3. Capital improvement projects that would enhance existing public transit facilities.

Transit Needs Timeline

- **Short term transit improvements** are those that can be implemented in the current service year within MST's funding limits and without negatively impacting existing services.
- **Long-term transit improvements** are those that would require additional funding beyond MST's current funding limits. Long-term improvement comments remain on the unmet transit needs comment list until additional funding becomes available.

Unmet Need Comment	Year Identified	Category	Timeline	Status in 2026
Service to San Juan Grade Road and Russell Road in Salinas	2014	Category #2: new service, fills a gap	Long-term improvement.	Through implementation of the Better Bus Network in December 2022, MST began service on Line 49 (Salinas-Santa Rita) which serves Russell Road and San Juan Grade Road. To serve the intersection of Russell Road and San Juan Grade Rd, major infrastructure improvements are required to place a bus stop at that intersection.
Shuttle service between Pinnacles National Park and Fort Hunter Liggett and King City	2014/2019	Category #2: new service, fills a gap	Long-term improvement.	This shuttle service is cost prohibitive and would require resources being reallocated from other services/areas. Current road conditions are also a safety concern. The City of Soledad is currently studying improvements for the Pinnacles Parkway project, which may consider a park shuttle service. The National Park Service currently offers Day-Use seasonal shuttle service to visitors utilizing their parking lots. The on-site shuttle service only runs on the east side of the park. MST originally provided service to Fort Hunter Liggett, however, due to lack of ridership, the service was terminated.

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Unmet Need Comment	Year Identified	Category	Timeline	Status in 2026
Increase Line 59 (Salinas-Gilroy) service to 7 days a week including holidays or operate the emergency ride home program from Salinas to Gilroy 7 days a week.	2024	Category #1 improves an existing service Category #2 new service, fills a gap	Long-term improvement	Because of the funding that serves Line 59 (Salinas-Gilroy) and the partnership with Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, MST only has funds to cover weekday operating expenses. TAMC manages the emergency ride home program. The program is open to Monterey County commuters who use an alternative transportation mode at least once week. Additional eligibility requirements can be found on the TAMC website.
7 days a week, every 2 hours, including holidays on line 59 from 7:00am to 6:00pm	2024	Category #1 improves an existing service	Long-term improvement	Because of the funding that serves Line 59 (Salinas-Gilroy) and the partnership with Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, MST only has funds to cover a limited number of round trips on weekdays.
7 days a week, every 30 minutes on Line 34 (King City) from 7:00am to 6:00pm	2024	Category #1 improves an existing service	Long-term improvement	Line 34 (King City) currently runs from 6:45am – 7:00pm every 30 minutes on weekdays. MST currently does not have funds in its operating budget to provide weekend service.
Add 7 day a week service to Line 48 (Salinas-Northridge)	2024	Category #1 improves an existing service	Long-term improvement	MST currently does not have funds in its operating budget to provide weekend service.
Add more frequent service on Line 49 (Salinas-Santa Rita) on Sundays to connect to N Main shopping centers.	2024	Category #1 improves an existing service	Long-term improvement	MST currently does not have funds in its operating budget to increase frequency on Sundays. Alternatively, riders can use Line 41 (Salinas-Alisal-Northridge) to connect between Northridge Mall and Salinas Transit Center. Line 49 has increased night service to 8:00pm on weekends.

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Resolved Transit Needs

Unmet Need Comment	Year Identified	Year Resolved	Resolution
More out of county medical trips that cost less	2014	2017	MST increased the frequency and lowered the cost of out of county medical trips using Measure Q funds in July 2017. An analysis of the enhanced service was conducted in the fall of 2018. As of 2023, MST offers a Special Medical Trips service to hospitals in the Bay Area for \$20 round trip.
CSUMB enhanced paratransit service on campus; more accessible vehicles are needed for student mobility on-campus	2015/2016	2022	Federal ADA requirements and operational constraints of the RIDES service make it challenging for MST to provide this type of paratransit service as CSUMB students have a very narrow window of time to get from one class to another. In January 2022, CSUMB launched their shuttle service to enhance paratransit service on campus. MST also provides taxi vouchers to students who need para transit services.
Improved service between South County and the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey in Monterey	2017	2019	MST conducted a Salinas Valley Transit Planning Study to identify transit improvements along the US 101 corridor. After implementation of the Better Bus Network, South County riders can get to the Superior Court by connecting to Lines 23X (Salinas-King City EXPRESS), 20 (Monterey-Salinas), and 7 (Monterey-Ryan Ranch) in under 2 hours.
Increased frequency on Line 18 (Sand City-Marina via Monterey Road)	2014	2023	Through implementation of the Better Bus Network, the CSUMB shuttle service overlaps with Line 17 (Sand City-Marina via Gen Jim Moore) and 18 (Sand City-

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			Marina via Monterey Road) and three bus stops which increased frequency to every 30 minutes.
More frequent service to Gonzales and Soledad	2014	2023	The King City bus yard was completed in Fall of 2021. MST has implemented an express service in 2022, Line 23X (Salinas-King City EXPRESS), which stops at selected bus stops throughout the route. Under the Comprehensive Operational Analysis, Line 23 (Salinas-King City) operates every hour with multiple buses running less than an hour during rush hour periods. As of 2023, the Better Bus Network has increased frequencies to Gonzales and Soledad by at least every hour to half hour at commute peak times.
Better access to Salinas Chinatown by adding (or move an existing) bus stop to Tom O. Wong Way And Rossi St	2023	2023	Service to Sherwood Drive and Rossi Street was reinstated under the Better Bus Network. There are no plans to add service.
Route 46 (Salinas Natividad) bus stop at Sherwood and Rossi St (stop #2994) has no bus stop signal.	2023	2023	Bus stop #2994, Sherwood Drive/Rossi, has appropriate bus stop signage with a flag and pole
Improve the connection between Castroville and Prunedale for access to Gavilan College in Gilroy	2018	2024	MST and Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority re-established service to Gilroy. Began Line 59 (Salinas-Gilroy) service to Gilroy in October 2023 with bus stops in Salinas, Prunedale and Gilroy. Riders from Castroville can connect to Line 59 (Salinas-Gilroy) by riding Line 28 (Watsonville via Castroville) to the Salinas Transit Center.

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Improve the connection between Castroville and Prunedale for access to Gavilan College in Gilroy	2018	2025	MST and Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority re-established service to Gilroy. Line 59 (Salinas-Gilroy) began service to Gilroy in October 2023 with bus stops in Salinas, Prunedale and Gilroy. Riders from Castroville can connect to Line 59 (Salinas-Gilroy) by riding Line 28 (Wastonville via Castroville) to the Salinas Transit Center. Line 59 stops at the Gilroy Transit Center and riders can connect with VTA Line 86 to Gavilan College.
Add more night service (frequent service) on Line 41 (Salinas-Alisal-Northridge) after 6:30pm and improve the connection to the Salinas Walmart	2024	2025	MST does not have plans to restore the bus stop outside the Walmart Supercenter. Riders can connect to Line 49 (Salinas-Santa Rita) near Boronda Rd and San Juan Rd and transfer to Line 41 (Salinas-Alisal-Northridge) . The Westridge Walmart is served by Line 44 (Salinas-Westridge) which has a closer bus stop on Westridge Pwky. Line 41 now has night service going into 10:00pm on weekdays and 9:00pm on weekends.
Service to San Juan Bautista and Los Baños	2015/2018	2026	Monterey County transit users can now take MST Line 59 (Salinas-Gilroy) to the Gilroy Caltrain Station and connect with Amtrak Gold Runner Route 40 that runs to Merced with a stop in Los Banos. Line 59 connects with San Benito County Express Intercounty service which runs to Hollister with a stop in San Juan Bautista. For further connections to the Los Banos region, commuters through this corridor can apply for MST's Vanpool program.



**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-14
OF THE
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)**

***FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUND ALLOCATIONS TO PUBLIC
TRANSIT OPERATORS***

WHEREAS, Fiscal Year 2026-27 Transportation Development Act applications to support public transportation systems have been received by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County and are summarized as follows:

Jurisdiction	Fund	Type of Service	Operating and/or Capital	State Controller's Report Code
Monterey-Salinas Transit	Local Transportation Fund	Fixed Route Transit Service and/or RIDES ADA paratransit	\$22,415,515	Art. 4 Transit 99260 (a) & 99260.7
Monterey-Salinas Transit	State Transit Assistance	Fixed Route Transit Service and/or RIDES ADA paratransit	\$5,226,142	Art. 6.5 PUC 99313.3
Total			\$27,641,657	

WHEREAS, Fiscal Year 2026-27 State Transit Assistance estimates have been prepared by the California State Controller describing the funding expected to be available for allocation by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County to public transit operators in Monterey County;

WHEREAS, State Assembly Bill 644 established the Monterey-Salinas Transit District that includes the cities of Carmel-by-the-Sea, Del Rey Oaks, Marina, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Salinas, Seaside, Sand City, Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield, and King City, as well as the unincorporated population within three quarters of a mile of the MST fixed transit routes in the

unincorporated area effective July 1, 2010, and which will have first priority to claim the Local Transportation Funds apportioned to these jurisdictions for public transit; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey and Monterey-Salinas Transit have a Memorandum of Understanding that describes the operating plan to implement special transit services in various unincorporated County areas and how those services are to be coordinated with other public transportation providers in Monterey County;

WHEREAS, the public and special transit services of the County of Monterey are responding to a transportation need not otherwise being met within the community;

WHEREAS, Article 4, Section 99260 of the Public Utilities Code states that claims may be filed under this article with the transportation planning agency by operators for the purpose of supporting public transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, the State of California pursuant to the Public Utilities Code, Chapter 4, Transportation Development Section 99313 and 99314 has made State Transit Assistance Funds available to transportation planning agencies to be allocated for public transportation purposes;

WHEREAS, Article 8, Section 99400 of the Public Utilities Code states that claims may be filed under this article with the transportation planning agency by counties and cities for the purpose of payment to any entity which is under contract with a county or city for public transportation or for transportation services for any group, as determined by the transportation planning agency, requiring special transportation assistance; and

WHEREAS, Monterey-Salinas Transit is able to claim all available Local Transportation Funds in Monterey County to support public transit service pursuant to the finding adopted by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County on June 23, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The public and special transit system operated by Monterey-Salinas Transit is found to be in conformity with the Regional Transportation Plan; and
2. The public and special transit systems operated by Monterey-Salinas Transit are found to be in compliance with Transportation Development Act (TDA) Section 99268.4, and are recovering at least 15% of their operating costs in passenger fares; and
3. The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) hereby directs the Executive Director or his designee to claim Local Transportation Funds and State Transit Assistance as needed to support the public and special transit systems serving Monterey County and allocate those funds to Monterey-Salinas Transit.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California
this 26th day of August 2026, by the following votes:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

CHAPS PODURI, CHAIR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

ATTEST:

TODD A. MUCK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Aaron Hernandez, Associate Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: Federal Funds for Rural Transit and Intercity Bus

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Federal Funds for Rural Transit and Intercity Bus Operations**

1. **APPROVE** the Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 Program of Projects in the amount of \$944,351 for Monterey-Salinas Transit service on rural transit routes;
2. **APPROVE** the Federal Transit Administration 5311(f) Program of Projects in the amount of \$600,000 for Monterey-Salinas Transit service on MST Line 59: Salinas-Gilroy and Line 84: King City-Paso Robles;
3. **APPROVE** the Federal Transit Administration 5339(a) Program of Projects in the amount of \$900,000 for Monterey-Salinas Transit for the purchase of one replacement bus for MST Line 23: Salinas-King City and Line 84: King City-Paso Robles;
4. **ADOPT** Resolution 2026-13 authorizing funding under the Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 and Section 5339 programs; and
5. **RATIFY** the Executive Director's signature on the Regional Agency Certifications and Assurances for the Program of Projects.

SUMMARY:

The Federal Transit Administration provides operating support for rural transit service through Section 5311 non-urbanized funding program. Section 5311(f) program is a subsection under 5311 which funds Intercity Bus operations. Section 5339 program funds support capital projects such as bus replacements and technological upgrades. TAMC approval is necessary for Monterey-Salinas Transit to receive these funds.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The estimated apportionment of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds includes \$944,351 in Section 5311 funding, \$600,000 in Section 5311(f) funding, and \$900,000 in Section 5339(a) funding.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Agency reviews and adopts a Program of Projects and Certifications and Assurances by resolution to ensure that transit projects meet Federal Transit Administration requirements for the 5311 and 5339 funding programs (see **attachments** and **web attachment**). Caltrans apportions and distributes these federal funds using a population-based formula, and provides the Transportation Agency with a fund estimate for purposes of preparing the Program of Projects.

Rural Transit Operations

5311 Traditional Programs

The Federal Transit Administration's Section 5311 grant provides federal funding for public transportation services in rural areas that do not have U.S. Census designated urban areas with a population of 50,000 or more residents. The 5311 grant is intended to provide access to employment, education, healthcare, shopping and recreation for residents in small towns and rural areas. Monterey-Salinas Transit utilizes these funds to operate rural transit in Monterey County, such as Line 23 (King City to Salinas).

Intercity Bus Program

The Federal Transit Administration's Section 5311(f) Intercity Bus Program in California is designed to address the "intercity bus transportation needs of the entire state" by supporting projects that provide transportation between non-urbanized areas and urbanized areas that result in connection of greater regional, statewide, and national significance. Monterey-Salinas utilizes these funds to continue existing intercity bus operations on Line 59 - Salinas-Gilroy and Line 84 - King City-Paso Robles.

Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Formula Program

The Federal Transit Administration's Section 5339(a) Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program provides funding to states and transit agencies through a statutory formula to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities. Monterey-Salinas Transit intends to utilize these funds to purchase replacement buses for Line 59 - Salinas-Gilroy and Line 84 - King City-Paso Robles.

The recommended actions are necessary to claim federal transit funding apportioned to Monterey County and for Monterey-Salinas Transit to apply for federal operating support for rural transit service in South County and provide intercity bus operations. Caltrans provided the fund estimate to the Agency of the available funding in each program on June 10, 2026. Staff then worked with MST to identify their priorities for the program of projects and confirmed funding eligibility. The Certifications and Assurances for the funding programs were due on August 3, 2026. Since the Agency did not have a July Board meeting and given the deadline, the Executive Director has already approved the Certifications and Assurances and is seeking ratification by the Board.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution 2026-13 - Authorizing Federal Funds for Transit

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

- [Federal Funds for Rural Transit \(5311\) and Federal Funds for Intercity Bus Program \(5311\(f\)\) - Monterey County Program of Projects](#)
- [Federal Funds for Bus and Bus Facilities Program - Programming Request Worksheet](#)



**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-13
OF THE
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)**

**AUTHORIZING FEDERAL FUNDING UNDER THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
SECTION 5311 PROGRAM (49 U.S.C. SECTION 5311) AND 5339 (49 U.S.C SECTION 5339)
WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants to states through the Federal Transit Administration to support capital/operating assistance projects for non-urbanized public transportation systems under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act (FTA C 9040.1G), and Section 5339 of the Federal Transit Act (FTA C 5100.1); and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has been designated by the Governor of the State of California to administer Section 5311 and Section 5339 grants for transportation projects for the general public for the rural transit and intercity bus; and

WHEREAS, Monterey-Salinas Transit District (MST) desires to apply for said financial assistance, including operating support for service between the cities of Salinas, Gilroy King City, and Paso Robles, and connections to the intercity bus network; and

WHEREAS, MST desires to apply for said financial assistance to purchase one (1) heavy-duty replacement bus to operate between the cities of Salinas and King City, and King City and Paso Robles; and

WHEREAS, MST has, to the maximum extent feasible, coordinated with other transportation providers and users in the region (including social service agencies); and

WHEREAS, MST has committed to provide some combination of state, local, or private funding sources for the required local share.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Transportation Agency for Monterey County does hereby Authorize the Executive Director or his designee, to file and execute applications on behalf of with the Department to aid in the financing of capital and operating assistance projects pursuant to Section 5311(f) of the Federal Transit Act (FTA C 9040.1G), as amended, and pursuant to Section 5339 of the Federal Transit Act (FTA C 5100.1), as amended.
2. TAMC does hereby authorize the programming of \$300,000 Federal Transit Administration Section 5311(f) Intercity Bus Program funds to MST for continued operating assistance funding for MST Line 59: Salinas - Gilroy.
3. TAMC does hereby authorize the programming of \$300,000 Federal Transit Administration Section 5311(f) Intercity Bus Program funds to MST for continued operating assistance funding for MST Line 84: King City – Paso Robles
4. TAMC does hereby authorize the programming of \$944,351 Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 Formula Grants for Rural Areas funding to MST for continued operating assistance for MST Line 23: Salinas – King City.
5. TAMC does hereby authorize the programming of \$900,000 Federal Transit Administration Section 5339(a) State Rural Discretionary Vehicle Replacement Program funds to MST for the purchase of one (1) replacement bus for MST Line 23: Salinas – King City and Line 84: King City – Paso Robles.
6. The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to execute and file Certifications and Assurances, contracts or agreements or any other document required by the Department.
7. The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to provide additional information as the Department may require in connection with the application for the Section 5311(f) and Section 5339 projects.
8. The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to submit and approve request for reimbursement of funds from the Department for the Section 5311 and Section 5339 projects.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California this 26th day of August by the following votes:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

CHAPS PODURI, CHAIR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

TODD A. MUCK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Christina Watson, Director of Planning
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Legislative Update**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Legislative update:**

1. **RECEIVE** update on state and federal legislative issues; and
2. **ADOPT** positions on legislation.

SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on state and federal legislative issues.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Proposed legislation could impact transportation funding availability.

DISCUSSION:

Attachment 1 is a state legislative update focused on the budget bills and the Cap and Investment program.

Web attachment 1 is a draft bill list showing the recommended positions and relating to the adopted 2026 Legislative Program (**web attachment 2**). Bills that are "dead" as of the June Board meeting were removed from the list. On August 5, the Executive Committee voted to recommend the following positions to the TAMC Board:

- Assembly Bill (AB) 2168 (Wicks): Active Transportation Program: guidelines — As amended on July 2, this bill requires the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to establish penalties for failure to use Active Transportation Program (ATP) funds in a timely manner, clarifies ATP eligibility criteria related to projects that provide access to transit, and expands the goals of ATP to include increasing the proportion of trips accomplished by accessing public transit. TAMC requested amendments to the previous version of the bill, which would have required that regional transportation planning agencies program their State Transportation Improvement Program dollars to receive preference in the statewide ATP grant cycle. As amended, TAMC staff recommends a "support" position.
- Senate Bill (SB) 667 (Archuleta): Railroads: safety: report — As amended on June 3, would require the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to review the list of hazardous railroad sites in its annual report to the Legislature, include an evaluation of each site on the list, and determine whether changes in conditions, operations, or safety data warrant the removal, modification, or addition of any site. These amendments remove TAMC staff

concerns; staff recommends a change from "oppose" to "watch".

- SB 741 (Blakespear): Low Carbon Transit Operations Program — As amended on July 1, this bill repeals the requirements for transit agencies to demonstrate that the expenditure of funds received under the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) reduces the emissions of greenhouse gases. TAMC staff recommends a "support" position to facilitate MST's use of LCTOP funds.

Attachment 2 is a report on federal legislative activities, reviewing the status of transportation authorization and appropriations bills.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. CW - State Leg Update
2. CW - Federal Legislative Update - Aug 2026

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

1. [State bill list \(August\)](#)
2. [TAMC 2026 Legislative Program](#)



July 27, 2026

TO: Board Members, Transportation Agency for Monterey County

FROM: Gus Khouri, President, Khouri Consulting LLC

RE: **STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – AUGUST**

General Outlook

Governor Newsom has signed Assembly Bill (AB) 109, Senate Bill (SB) 111, and SB 169, which make modifications to the fiscal year (FY) 2026-27 State Budget. AB 109 is the main budget bill, which authorize \$252.9 billion in General Fund spending in 2026-27 and retains \$29 billion in total reserves. This was the vehicle that the legislature sent to the Governor to meet the June 15th constitutional deadline. The legislature then sent SB 111, “the budget bill junior”, to amend AB 109 and represent the final three-party agreement between the Speaker, pro Temp, and Governor. It augments what was provided in total spending of \$351.7 billion, of which \$251.5 billion is from the General Fund, with a \$35.2 billion reserve. SB 169 is a budget trailer bill that includes a one-year extension of farebox ratio recovery relief statutory relief for transit agencies to receive full share of the Transportation Development Act’s (TDA) Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and State Transit Assistance (STA) revenues without penalty for not meeting thresholds.

Cap and Invest Funding in Jeopardy

It remains to be seen whether the legislature can maintain ongoing commitments to transit capital operations, affordable housing, and air quality programs under Cap and Invest. That funding will be contingent upon the accrual of auction proceeds, which have been plummeting in an unstable credit market.

Under the Cap-and-Trade program, which runs through June 30, 2026, the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) receives 10%, and the Low Carbon Transit Operating Program (LCTOP) receives 5% of all proceeds. In FY 25-26, \$4.4 billion was generated, which results in \$440 million for TIRCP and \$220M for LCTOP. The extension and rebranding of Cap and Trade to

Cap and Invest has made things challenging, as those programs are the lowest priority. Funding is now being threatened with elimination entirely due to market instability, leading to a shrinking pie as industry has purchased fewer credits and to the repurposing of auction proceeds to provide industry subsidies and rebates to utility ratepayers beyond the levels provided since the program's inception in 2014.

With auction proceeds declining further to the \$3 billion level, TIRCP is estimated at \$209 million and LCTOP at \$105 million, based on the last two auctions, representing a 47% reduction from FY 25-26 for each program. Please [click here](#) to view the current projections for the various programs in Cap and Invest. The chart references GB, the January Governor's Budget, and MR, the May Revise. The bottom line is that only high-speed rail would be funded at \$3 billion, because the Governor wants to use \$2 billion to accelerate rebates for utility ratepayers, while California's Air Resources Board (ARB) attempts to placate industry by regulating a lower price for the purchase of credits. The legislature is struggling to stabilize the market and honor the commitments made in the Cap and Invest expenditure plan.

On May 29, the ARB approved proposed amendments to the Cap and Invest program at its May 28, 2026, meeting to prevent "industry leakage," meaning emission reductions achieved within a Cap and Invest jurisdiction are offset by emissions increases outside that jurisdiction, undermining the program's environmental effectiveness. An example is when a utility switches from regulated in-state power generation to importing electricity from unregulated out-of-state sources. Additionally, the Governor announced his intention to provide [larger utility credits](#) to ratepayers. Credits have been issued since Cap and Trade's inception in 2014.

The combined impact of underwhelming auction proceeds and the increased use of auction proceeds revenue for ratepayers (from \$8 billion to \$10 billion between 2027 and 2030) will eliminate funding for TIRCP, LCTOP, and the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (AHSCS). Furthermore, this action would reduce the likelihood of honoring the appropriation of the remaining SB 125 balance (\$690 million, including \$230 million for FY 26-27 and \$460 million for FY 27-28). The legislature will have until August 31 to develop a solution to secure funding for air quality and housing programs.

SB 125 Funding in Doubt

The legislature has appropriated \$4.4 billion of the \$5.1 billion made available by SB 125 of 2023. TAMC's total share is \$52.4 million. The state has not disbursed the full balance of TAMC's formulaic share of the \$4.4 billion, which is \$47.4 million. It appears unlikely that the state will appropriate the remaining \$690 million to exhaust the program appropriation authority and to honor the remaining \$5 million owed to TAMC. We will work with our delegation to secure all appropriated funding.

Solutions for Maintaining Cap and Invest Tier 3 Programs and Honoring SB 125 Commitments

The legislature enacted [SB 417 \(Limón\)](#), which will place an \$11.25 billion housing bond on the November 2026 ballot. Overall, the state has \$71 billion in bond debts service obligations and is adding with SB 417.

Since 2011, the legislature has been diverting truck weight fees, which generate \$1.3- \$1.4 billion to pay bond debt service for transportation bonds totaling \$18.1 billion, such as Proposition 116 of 1990 (\$174 million remains), Proposition 192 of 1996- Seismic Retrofit (\$414 million), Proposition 1B of 2006 (\$11.8 billion), Prop 1A of 2008 - High-speed Rail (\$5.8 billion).

Temporarily restoring the use of truck weight fee funding through FY 2030-31 would allow the legislature the honor the remaining \$690 million balance that should be appropriated for SB 125 and maintain annual funding for LCTOP (\$200M), TIRCP (\$400M), as enacted in SB 840 (Limón) of 2025. The legislature appropriated \$150 million for the Community Air Protection Program under AB 617, which is \$100 million less than prescribed in the SB 840 expenditure plan. A total of \$4.79 billion would be needed to fulfill the Cap and Invest Tier 3 and SB 125 commitments (\$6.5B available), as demonstrated below (SB 125 balance is rescheduled out to FY 28-29). This chart assumes a \$1.3 billion truck weight fee balance and that all programs are zeroed out and that auction proceeds do not rebound. If there is a balance, programs can be augmented accordingly. AHSC is not included due to SB 417.

	FY 26-27	FY 27-28	FY 28-29	FY 29-30	FY 30-31
SB 125	\$230M	\$230M	\$230M	-	
LCTOP	\$200M	\$200M	\$200M	\$200M	\$200M
TIRCP	\$400M	\$400M	\$400M	\$400M	\$400M
AB 617	\$100M	\$250M	\$250M	\$250M	\$250M
Total	\$930M	\$1.31B	\$1.08M	\$850M	\$850M
Remaining Truck Weight Fees Capacity	\$370M	\$0	\$220M	\$450M	\$450M

ACA 22 – Two-Thirds Vote Requirement on All Taxes

On June 25, the Governor signed [ACA 22 \(Wicks\)](#), which prohibits a local government, including through a citizens' initiative, from imposing, extending, or increasing any special tax, unless the tax is approved by a two-thirds vote, beginning January 1, 2027, if approved by voters this November. The measure applies to all taxes including sales tax, general taxes, parcels taxes, and renewals. This bill was a compromise agreement with proponents of the Local Taxpayers Protection Act, which includes the Howards Jarvis Taxpayers Association, chambers of commerce, and realtors to protect against invalidating all previous measures that were approved by less than a two-thirds vote of the electorate.

The legislature also enacted [ACA 21 \(Rivas\)](#), which removes [ACA 13 \(Ward\)](#) of 2023 from the November 2026 ballot. ACA 13 would have required that any voter initiative attempting to increase the voter approval threshold for subsequent ballot measures achieve that same voter threshold it was attempting to implement (e.g. a measure that sought to require a 2/3 vote for ballot measures would itself need to receive a 2/3 vote to be enacted).



Memorandum

To: TAMC Executive Committee

From: Christina Watson, Director of Planning

Meeting Date: August 5, 2026

Subject: Federal Legislative Update

Surface Transportation Reauthorization Update

Congress passes multi-year Surface Transportation Acts to fund America's public works, including roads, bridges, transit, and rail, providing states with long-term certainty for infrastructure planning and project delivery. The current version, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, expires on September 30, 2026. TAMC continues monitoring federal discussions on the upcoming Surface Transportation Reauthorization.

In July, the House agreed on a Continuing Resolution expiring December 4, 2026. The Senate Appropriations Committee have proposed a Continuing Resolution through December 11, 2026.

Meanwhile, Department of Transportation (DOT) Secretary Sean Duffy last week sent a [letter](#) to Senate committee leaders outlining the Trump Administration's priorities for the reauthorization effort, which restates much of what they have suggested previously.

Transportation, Housing & Urban Development (THUD) Appropriations Bill

House and Senate Appropriations Committees are working toward enactment of fiscal year (FY) 2027 spending bills ahead of the Sept. 30, 2026 funding deadline. To date, the House Appropriations Committee has begun marking up the 12 appropriations bills in subcommittee and full committee. A [draft THUD appropriations bill \(text\)](#) was approved by the House committee (34-27) on June 3. The Senate has not yet published an appropriations bill.

Other News

On July 31, 2026, U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Secretary Sean P. Duffy [announced](#) the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) will modernize train noise emissions standards, clearing the way for high-speed rail in the United States. Currently, existing train noise standards focus strictly on engines and mechanical sounds, overlooking the wind noise generated at speeds above 160 mph. The FRA's [modernized framework](#) includes an alternative standard for high-speed trains operating between 160 and 220 mph and an approval pathway for speeds exceeding 220 mph (such as Maglev). The new guidance also removes outdated requirements for operators that eliminate costly, unnecessary equipment modifications for today's trainsets.

On July 24, 2026, USDOT Secretary Sean P. Duffy [announced](#) a new interagency effort to attract more of America's veterans into pursuing careers in trucking. The new initiative – called Freedom Haulers – is a patriotic hiring campaign that educates veterans on how there's never been a better time to join the trucking industry, outlines why veterans' backgrounds make them a great fit for the job, and connects them with resources to seamlessly transition from service to driving a big rig.

On July 22, 2026, the USDOT launched a [new initiative](#) to optimize and modernize the American transportation system. Aligned with the President's [Genesis Mission Executive Order](#), the effort is one of the new Genesis Mission [National Science and Technology Challenges](#) announced by the White House recently and will use artificial intelligence (AI) to fundamentally transform how the nation builds, operates, and maintains its physical transportation infrastructure.

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Janneke Strause, Senior Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Regional Surface Transportation Program - Time Extension Requests**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Regional Surface Transportation Program Time Extension Requests:**

1. **APPROVE** time extensions on the use of Transportation Agency competitive funds until August 22, 2027 for the following projects:
 - a. City of Marina's Del Monte and Reservation Road Roundabout project;
 - b. City of Soledad's West Street Road Diet and Complete Streets project;
 - c. City of King's U.S. 101/Broadway Street at San Antonio Drive Roundabout Improvement project; and
 - d. City of Salinas's Harden Parkway Path and Safe Routes to School project;
2. **APPROVE** amending Exhibit A of the local funding agreement to include updated funding deadlines for these projects.

SUMMARY:

The Agency distributes funding through a competitive grant program every three years. Projects are scored through a competitive application and approved by the Board each cycle. Funding must be used by the project sponsors within three years per the Master Funding Agreement. Time extensions may be recommended if projects are in progress but require more time for completion.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no direct financial impact to the Agency. Projects funded with competitive grant funds that exceed the three year time limit without receiving a time extension will have the funds lapse and return to the Transportation Agency to program to new projects.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Agency's Master Funding Agreement is designed to comply with a State requirement that the Transportation Agency for Monterey County enter into contracts with its member agencies for the reimbursement of funds (except for Measure X, which is covered by a standalone agreement). The Master Funding Agreement details State requirements for several funding sources (Regional Surface Transportation Program and Transportation Development Act 2%) as well as the Regional Development Impact Fees, and includes fiscal provisions required to comply with State and federal regulations. The Master Funding Agreement is updated with each jurisdiction every three years. Per the agreement, each project awarded competitive funds has a three-year expenditure deadline, timed to the day the award was approved by the Transportation Agency Board of Directors.

The following projects were previously awarded competitive funding from the Agency, but will not be completed within the three-year deadline. These projects are currently in development and the loss of funding would be detrimental to its delivery. Staff is recommending a one-year time extension for each project. Additional time extensions will be brought to the board as needed.

The City of Marina received \$1,717,500 of RSTP funds in the 2023 Competitive Grant cycle for the Del Monte Boulevard and Reservation Road Intersection Improvements project. The City is actively completing the Plans, Specification, and Estimate (PS&E) phase of this project and is scheduled to enter the Construction phase by the end of 2026. The City is requesting an extension of one year to complete the project.

The City of Soledad received \$2,758,000 of RSTP funds in the 2023 Competitive Grant cycle for the West Street Road Diet and Complete Streets Project. The City has completed the design, bidding, and contract award phases of the project and has submitted six reimbursement claims totaling \$459,197.74 as of August 2026. The construction contract has been awarded and is expected to be completed in 2027. The City is requesting an extension of one year to complete the project.

The City of King received \$3,519,000 of RSTP funds in the 2023 Competitive Grant cycle for the U.S. 101/Broadway Street at San Antonio Drive Roundabout Improvement Project. The project was delayed due to an unexpectedly lengthy Caltrans Encroachment review process (7 months for the initial review response). The final encroachment permit has been received and construction is expected to be completed in 2028. The City is requesting an extension of 24 months to complete the project. Staff recommends an extension of one year at this time, and will bring future time extensions to the Board, if necessary.

The City of Salinas received \$1,556,000 of RSTP funds in the 2023 Competitive Grants cycle for the Harden Parkway Path and Safe Routes to School Project. The City has completed CEQA and NEPA and is in the process of completing the Plans, Specification, and Estimate (PS&E) phase. The City expects PS&E to be completed in 2027/2028 with construction following. The City is requesting an extension of up to three years to complete the project. Staff recommends an extension of one year at this time, and will bring future time extensions to the Board, if necessary.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Marina - RSTP Funding Extension Request
2. Salinas - RSTP Funding Extension Request
3. Soledad - RSTP Funding Extension Request
4. King City - RSTP Funding Extension Request

WEB ATTACHMENTS:



PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

July 28, 2026

Janneke Strause
Senior Transportation Planner
Transportation Agency for Monterey County
55-B Plaza Circle
Salinas, CA 93901

**RE: Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Extension Request –
Del Monte Boulevard and Reservation Rd Intersection Improvements**

Dear Ms. Strause,

The City of Marina is requesting to retain \$1,717,500.00 of the RSTP funds for the Del Monte Boulevard and Reservation Road Intersection Improvements set to expire August 22, 2026.

The City is actively completing the Plans, Specification, and Estimate (PS&E) phase of this project and currently scheduled to enter the Construction phase by the end of the 2026 calendar year. The project was impacted by several delays to re-align the long-term visioning of Del Monte Boulevard and Reservation Rd with the Downtown Vitalization Improvement Plan and other local Capital Improvement Projects. The design has gone through multiple discussions with the community and City Council since 2023 which also added some minor delay to the Final PS&E package.

The City is requesting an extension of one year to complete the project and submit reimbursement claims.

Sincerely,

Ismael Hernandez
Public Works Director – City of Marina



City of Salinas

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August 7, 2026

Janneke Strause
Senior Transportation Planner
Transportation Agency for Monterey County
55-B Plaza Circle
Salinas, CA 93901

RE: Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Extension Request – Harden Parkway Path and Safe Routes to School Project

Dear Ms. Strause,

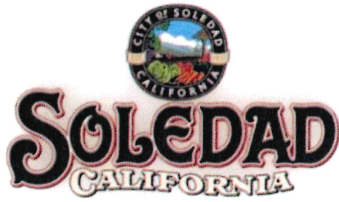
The City of Salinas is requesting to retain \$1,556,000 of the RSTP funds for the Harden Parkway Path and Safe Routes to School Project set to expire on August 22, 2026.

The City of Salinas completed the Environmental Clearance on March and June 2026 for CEQA and NEPA, respectively. The City is continuing towards the completion of Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) anticipated fiscal year 2027/2028. After completion of the PS&E the city will need to go through the construction phase.

The City is requesting an extension of up to three years to complete the project and submit reimbursement claims.

Sincerely,

David Jacobs, PE, LS
Public Works Director – City of Salinas



July 22, 2026

Janneke Strause
Senior Transportation Planner
Transportation Agency for Monterey County
55-B Plaza Circle
Salinas, CA 93901

RE: Request for Extension of Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Funding –
West Street Road Diet and Complete Streets Project

Dear Ms. Strause,

The City of Soledad respectfully requests an extension to retain the remaining **\$3,181,282.26** in Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds, including the 2025 Mid-Cycle RSTP allocation, for the West Street Road Diet and Complete Streets Project, which is currently set to expire on August 22, 2026.

The City has successfully completed the design, bidding, and contract award phases of the project and has submitted six reimbursement claims totaling **\$459,197.74** through June 10, 2026, for eligible RSTP expenditures. A construction contract has been executed with Monterey Peninsula Engineering (MPE), and the Notice to Proceed is scheduled to be issued on July 27, 2026. Construction is anticipated to require approximately 180 calendar days, with substantial completion expected in January 2027.

The City respectfully requests a one-year extension to complete the West Street Road Diet and Complete Streets Project, deliver these important transportation safety and multimodal improvements to the community, and submit all reimbursement claims.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D.T. Wilcox".

Donald Wilcox, PE
Public Works Director / City Engineer



August 7, 2026

Janneke Strause
Senior Transportation Planner
Transportation Agency for Monterey County
55-B Plaza Circle
Salinas, CA 93901

RE: Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Extension Request –
U.S. 101/Broadway St Roundabout

Dear Ms. Strause,

The City of King City is requesting to retain \$5,007,000 of the RSTP funds for the U.S. 101/Broadway St Roundabout set to expire on August 22, 2026.

Due to an unexpectedly lengthy Caltrans Encroachment review process (7 months for the initial review response) the project was delayed. The final encroachment permit was secured in June 2026, and we anticipate the project to go out to bid in Fall of 2026. Based on current estimates we expect to complete the project's tasks by August 2028. The City of King City would like to request a time extension until August 22, 2028.

The City is requesting an extension of 24 months to complete the project and submit reimbursement claims.

Sincerely,

Jose Arreola
City Manager

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Janneke Strause, Senior Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **FORTAG California Avenue - GHD Contract Renewal and Amendment**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway California Avenue - GHD Contract Renewal:**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute contract Renewal and Amendment #3 with GHD, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, to renew the agreement retroactive to July 1, 2026 and extend the term to December 31, 2029, for continued design services;
2. **FIND** that this amendment is justified as a sole source due to the efficiencies that support extending the contract with the existing consultant as a logical follow-on to work already in progress under a competitively awarded contract; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

SUMMARY:

The GHD contract for the California Avenue segment expired on June 30, 2026 and must be renewed retroactively to finalize design and provide construction-phase design support. Staff recommends extending the contract through December 31, 2029.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This contract renewal has no financial impact.

DISCUSSION:

The Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) is a planned 28-mile active transportation corridor that will connect communities in and around the former Fort Ord, linking Seaside, Marina, Del Rey Oaks, Monterey, and CSU Monterey Bay to parks, open space, schools, and major regional destinations. As part of this broader vision, the California Avenue Segment advances a key north-south connection through Marina, serving as one of the project's early phases in design and right-of-way development.

On August 23, 2023, the Agency entered into a competitively procured professional services agreement with GHD to lead the final design and right-of-way work for the California Avenue Segment. Under this contract, GHD is responsible for engineering design, community and stakeholder engagement, land surveying, utility coordination, right-of-way services, permitting, and

support through bidding and construction.

The design support contract with GHD for the California Avenue segment expired on June 30, 2026, and must be renewed retroactively to maintain uninterrupted design support leading up to and during construction. The additional services necessary to support the project through the anticipated construction completion include coordination with projects adjacent to the FORTAG trail, support finalizing a joint environmental mitigation strategy with the City of Marina, support during bidding, and preparing plan revisions and responding to Requests for Information (RFIs) during construction. GHD will also prepare final record drawings in CAD and PDF formats, based on contractor and construction management redlines, and will compile all approved project documentation for TAMC's permanent archives.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. FORTAG CA Ave Amendment 3

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

AMENDMENT #3 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
BETWEEN
THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
AND
GHD INC.

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 3 to the agreement dated August 23, 2023, between the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, hereinafter referred to as “TAMC,” and GHD Inc., hereinafter referred to as “Consultant,” is hereby entered into between TAMC and Consultant.

RECITALS:

- A. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant entered into an agreement for professional services on August 23, 2023, hereinafter referred to as “Agreement;” and
- B. **WHEREAS**, the Agreement relates to the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway California Avenue Segment Final Design (the “Project”), for which Consultant is to provide final design, right-of-way, and design support during construction; and
- C. **WHEREAS**, the Agreement contains a not-to-exceed amount, which may be amended only by the written agreement of the parties, and which establishes the maximum amount of costs which may be incurred under the Agreement, including a 10% contingency; and
- D. **WHEREAS**, Amendment #1 was executed by the TAMC Executive Director on November 18, 2024 amending the Agreement to add new tasks to the project scope of work within the existing contingency amount for environmental permitting and additional design work for trail realignment; and
- E. **WHEREAS**, Amendment #2 was executed by the TAMC Executive Director on January 28, 2026 amending the Agreement to add new tasks to the project scope of work and budget for wayfinding signage design; and
- F. **WHEREAS**, the Agreement expired and TAMC and Consultant desire to renew and extend the Agreement to continue providing final design and right of way services and design services during construction;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. RENEWAL

The Agreement is renewed and amended retroactively to July 1, 2026, and all of its provisions shall be deemed to have been in effect continuously since that time.

2. TERM OF AGREEMENT

Paragraph 1 of the Agreement is amended as follows (changes in strikeout and underline): "Term of Agreement. The term of this Agreement shall begin upon June 28, 2023, contingent upon approval by the TAMC Board, and Consultant shall commence work only after a Notice to Proceed has been issued by TAMC's Project Manager specified in Paragraph 35. Unless earlier terminated as provided herein, this Agreement shall remain in force until ~~June 30, 2026~~ December 31, 2029. Consultant acknowledges that this Agreement is not binding until it is fully executed and approved by TAMC."

3. REMAINDER OF TERMS UNCHANGED

All other terms of the Agreement, as amended, remain in full effect.

An executed copy of this Amendment No. 3 shall be attached to the Agreement and shall be incorporated as if fully set forth therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement with GHD Inc.

GHD Inc.

TAMC

By: _____
Kamesh Vedula
Vice President

By: _____
Todd A. Muck
Executive Director

Dated: _____

Dated: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: If Consultant is a corporation (including limited liability and nonprofit corporations), the full legal name of the corporation shall be set forth together with the signatures of two specified officers. If Consultant is a partnership, the name of the partnership shall be set forth together with the signature of a partner with authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the partnership. If Consultant is contracting in an individual capacity, the individual shall set forth the name of his or her business, if any, and shall personally sign the Agreement.

Approved as to form:

TAMC Counsel

Dated: _____

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Aaron Hernandez, Associate Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: Alisal High Sidewalk Art Contract Amendment #2

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Alisal High Sidewalk Art Contract Amendment #2**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to execute amendment #2 with Action Council of Monterey County, Inc., to increase the budget by \$2,500 for a total agreement amount of \$117,500, and extend the term of the agreement to December 31, 2032, to establish a long-term maintenance schedule of sidewalk art that will be installed in East Salinas near Alisal High School;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of Measure X funding budgeted for this project;
3. **FIND** that this amendment is justified as a sole source because of their unique qualifications to do this work; and
4. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director, or their designee, to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

SUMMARY:

This second amendment will allow Artists Ink, through Action Council of Monterey County, Inc., to develop a long-term maintenance plan to upkeep sidewalk art that will be installed at East Salinas near Alisal High School.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Alisal High Sidewalk Art contract is fully funded by Measure X Safe Routes to School Program. Staff recommends adding \$2,500 of Measure X funds to this project for a total agreement cost of \$117,500. This additional funding will enable Artists Ink to establish a maintenance schedule and perform maintenance work on sidewalk art murals that will be installed at East Salinas near Alisal High School for the next five years.

DISCUSSION:

On January 28, 2026, the Transportation Agency Board approved a contract with Artists Ink (through Action Council) to lead the Alisal High Sidewalk Art project. The original contract included coordination with the Salinas Youth Council to develop a call for art, conduct a series of art workshops with Alisal High students to prepare and submit designs and then install the winning student artwork on the sidewalks around the school. One of the goals of this project is to maximize student engagement and provide leadership opportunities.

Since the project kicked off, the Board approved an amendment on April 22, 2026 that allowed Artists Ink to teach additional art classes to Alisal High School students, engage more deeply with Salinas Youth Council, and install two additional sidewalk art murals. After the first amendment, it was discovered that the City of Salinas requires a maintenance plan for upkeep of sidewalk art murals after installation. Artists Ink has experience in maintaining art murals and have provided an estimate of \$2,500 to maintain the art for an additional five years. A future amendment may be considered as the paint used for the art installation can last for 10 years should all parties have the desire to keep the art in its original and complete look.

Amendment #2 (**attached**) increases the not-to-exceed amount of the agreement to \$117,500 to establish a long-term maintenance schedule of sidewalk art that will be installed in East Salinas near Alisal High School.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Alisal High Sidewalk Art - Contract Amendment #2

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

AMENDMENT #2 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
BETWEEN
THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
AND
ACTION COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY, INC. RELATED TO ALISAL HIGH SIDEWALK ART

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 2 to the agreement dated January 1, 2026, between the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, hereinafter referred to as “TAMC,” and Action Council of Monterey County, Inc., a California corporation with 501 (c)(3) tax-exempt status, hereinafter referred to as “Consultant,” is hereby entered into between TAMC and Consultant.

RECITALS:

- A. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant entered into an agreement for professional services on January 1, 2026, hereinafter referred to as “Agreement;” and
- B. **WHEREAS**, on April 22, 2026, TAMC and Consultant entered into Amendment No. 1 to expand the scope of work and budget; and
- C. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant desire to amend the Agreement to extend the duration and expand the scope of work and budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. TERM OF AGREEMENT

Paragraph 1 of the Agreement is amended as follows (changes in strikeout and underline): “The term of this Agreement shall begin upon January 1, 2026, contingent upon approval by the TAMC Board, and Consultant shall commence work only after a Notice to Proceed has been issued by TAMC’s Project Manager specified in Paragraph 35. Unless earlier terminated as provided herein, this Agreement shall remain in force until ~~December 31, 2027~~ December 31, 2032. Consultant acknowledges that this Agreement is not binding until it is fully executed and approved by TAMC.”

2. PAYMENTS TO CONSULTANT; MAXIMUM LIABILITY

Paragraph 2 of the Agreement is amended as follows (changes in strikeout and underline): “Subject to the limitations set forth herein, TAMC shall pay to Consultant the amounts provided in Exhibit B: Budget, upon receipt and acceptance of deliverables listed therein. Each payment by TAMC shall be for a specific deliverable or services outlined in Exhibit A: Scope of Work and Schedule. The maximum amount payable to the Consultant under this Agreement is set forth in Exhibit B: Budget and shall not

exceed the amount of ~~One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$115,000)~~ One-Hundred Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$117,500). If there is any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of either Exhibit A (Scope of Work and Schedule) or Exhibit B (Budget), the terms of this Agreement shall prevail. TAMC does not guarantee any minimum amount of dollars to be spent under this Agreement.”

The Budget attached to the Agreement as Exhibit B is hereby replaced with the Budget attached hereto as Exhibit B-2 and shall be effective upon execution.

The Scope of Services attached to the Agreement as Exhibit A is hereby replaced with the Scope of Services attached hereto as Exhibit A-2 and shall be effective upon execution.

3. REMAINDER OF TERMS UNCHANGED

All other terms of the Agreement, as amended remain in full effect.

An executed copy of this Amendment No. 2 shall be attached to the Agreement and shall be incorporated as if fully set forth therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement with Action Council.

CONSULTANT

TAMC

By: _____
Andrea Manzo
Executive Director

By: _____
Todd A. Muck
Executive Director

Dated: _____

Dated: _____

By: _____
John Abrahamson
Chief Finance and Operations Officer

Dated: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: If Consultant is a corporation (including limited liability and nonprofit corporations), the full legal name of the corporation shall be set forth together with the signatures of two specified officers. If Consultant is a partnership, the name of the partnership shall be set forth together with the signature of a partner with authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the partnership. If

Consultant is contracting in an individual capacity, the individual shall set forth the name of his or her business, if any, and shall personally sign the Agreement.

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Approved as to form:

TAMC Counsel

Dated: _____

EXHIBIT A-2: Scope of Work and Schedule

Project Title: Alisal High School Sidewalk Art

Consultant Project Manager: Emily Morales-Ortiz

Scope of Work

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) provides Safe Routes to School programming to teach and encourage Monterey County kids to safely carpool, walk, bike, skateboard, and scoot to school. One way to increase the visibility of safe routes to schools programming and create more enjoyable walking routes is through public artwork. TAMC partnered with the City of Salinas and were successful in securing grant funding from the State to develop sidewalk art marking safe routes between schools with Alisal High School students in East Salinas.

In partnership with the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC), Artists Ink will provide In-school & after-school programming that guides and supports students at Alisal High School in designing three sidewalk mural. These design will be sized at 8x15, 8x12, 8x10 and installed on sidewalk between Alisal High School to Cesar Chavez Library, on Williams Road.

This project would be open to all Alisal High Students, with the prioritization of current Alisal Art class students. Through this program, Artists Ink will create programming that challenges students to think critically about how we engage with community spaces and the use of art to transform public spaces

Artists Ink will work together with TAMC and the Salinas Youth Council in the planning and creation of programming that explores the theme of social and emotional connections. Artist Ink will support the project management of the mural installations on identifying walkways suited for the project. The murals will be managed by the Artists Ink's team to follow Salinas City and TAMC requirements and specifications. Artists Ink will manage the project schedule and budget to finish the murals at the set deadline.

Timeline: January 2026 -Dec 2032

January 2026:

- Artists Ink presents to Youth Council

- Youth Council identifies needs:
 - Locations
 - Size
 - Request for arts submission forms
 - Outreach

February 2026: Workshops

- Art class: Design workshops 3x a week:
 - Mon, Tues, Fri (*4 weeks, serving all art classes, up to 9 classes a week and 27 individual classes*)
- School wide open studio 1x a week:
 - Wed, after school. (*2 weeks, serving all students*)
- TAMC & City of Salinas to guest speak at workshops
- Youth Council activated as leaders in the development of guidelines and themes for submission of artwork as well as the voting rubric and process for selecting final permanent artwork
- **(Optional)** Community workshops at Alisal Family Resource Center and Cesar Chavez Library

March 2026: Review & Submission

- Submission deadline: March 20, 2026 (Pending Youth Council Approval)
- Review with Youth Council and TAMC to select temporary art design (Total of 1)

Aug - Oct 2026: Installation of permanent art

Staff & Included services

- Project Manager - David Tapia
- Project Coordinator - Alexis Casas
- Teaching Artists - Lead (TBD); Assistant (TBD)
- Artist for installation - Lead (TBD); Assistant (TBD)
- Documentation & Evaluation
- 2-3 Videos displaying the development and implementation of the project

- Photography documentation of progress and completion of project that highlights both TAMC and Artists Ink
- Development of community, student and artist surveys

Aug 2027 – Dec 2032: Mural Inspection, Cleaning & Upkeep

- It is proposed that the public art mural mentioned above, after it has received a protective final varnish coating, be visited and inspected by Artists Ink ONCE per year.
- Each inspection will be a careful per square foot examination to make sure its condition is stable.
- Inspect the painted design for wear and tear. Touch up as needed to maintain the slip-resistant properties and visual appeal.
- Inspect murals for normal wear, chips or vandalism or any changes to the mural that need attention.
- Inspect environment for changes from weather changes to building and construction that could affect the murals or art piece.
- Inspect any fading or shifts in color or vibrancy.
- Inspect environment for changes from weather changes to building and construction that could affect the murals or art piece.
- Remove gum or any things stuck on murals.
- This maintenance also includes the removal of 1 moniker (graffiti) under 3' x 3' every other year. If the mural should be tagged, Artists Ink will arrange and administrate removal of the graffiti from the public art within 30 days.
- Pressure wash Murals every 2 years.
- Touch ups every 2 years or as needed.

Exhibit B-2: Budget

ALISAL HIGH SIDEWALK ART BUDGET					
Task #	Task Title	Original Contract	Amendment#1	Amendment #2	TOTAL COST
1	Project Administration & Partner Coordination	\$20,000	\$5,000		\$25,000
2	Alisal High Art Workshops	\$20,000	\$20,000		\$40,000
3	Art Installation	\$20,000	\$20,000		\$40,000
4	Documentation & Evaluation	\$5,000			\$5,000
6	Contingency	\$5,000			\$5,000
	Mural Inspection & Upkeep			\$2,500	\$2,500
	TOTAL	\$70,000	\$45,000	\$2,500	\$117,500

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Janneke Strause, Senior Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **2026 Competitive Grants Program of Projects**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE programming \$15.4 million of Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) and Transportation Development Act (TDA) 2% funds to the 2026 Competitive Grants Program of Projects.

SUMMARY:

The Transportation Agency Board approved releasing a call for projects for a new cycle of competitive grants at its March 2026 meeting. The grant applications were due June 5, 2026. Agency staff established an ad hoc committee of Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory, Technical Advisory Committee members, and Agency staff to review and rank the applications and provide funding recommendations. That list of recommended projects is provided in this staff report.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

At its March 25, 2026 meeting, the Transportation Agency Board approved \$15.4 million in RSTP and TDA 2% funding, including deprogrammed RSTP funds, for a new round of competitive grants. The funding includes \$2 million for Quick-Build and Pilot Projects and \$13.4 million for Competitive projects.

DISCUSSION:

In establishing the Regional Surface Transportation Program Competitive Grants program, the Transportation Agency is seeking to fund projects that advance the goals of the Transportation Agency Board. These include delivering projects of regional significance that improve safety, provide maintenance for existing facilities, or support the development of a multimodal transportation network utilizing the principles of Complete Streets. Fair geographic balance in the distribution of funds and cost-effectiveness of the proposed projects are also taken into consideration when awarding grant funds.

The competitive grant application is composed of four sections, each with 25 available points, for a total possible application score of 100 points. The four categories are Project Information & Regional Significance, Complete Streets, Project Readiness & Cost Effectiveness, and Prior Project Delivery Performance. The scoring for the application was approved by the Transportation Agency Board to favor projects that improve regional routes with high traffic volumes, include bicycle and pedestrian facilities and safety enhancements, can be completed within the three-year funding window, and support sponsors that are utilizing their RSTP fair share allocations and have a history of delivering projects within the three-year funding cycle.

The quick-build and pilot project grant application is composed of one section for a total possible application score of 100 points. The scoring for the application was approved by the Transportation Agency Board to favor projects that use semi-permanent materials to quickly address a safety need, improve comfort for people biking and walking, improve access to or for a disadvantaged community, and is implemented during a pavement maintenance project. The pilot project application favors projects that engage the community, measure progress and performance, and provide a foundation for potential permanent infrastructure.

In June 2026, the Technical Advisory and Bicycle & Pedestrian Committees nominated committee members to the application review committee to review and score the applications:

- Octavio Hurtado, City of Gonzales
- Marissa Garcia, City of Monterey
- D.L. Johnson, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Committee Member
- Ralph Wege, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Committee Member
- Doug Bilse, TAMC Staff
- Janneke Strause, TAMC Staff

Competitive Grant Program

The Transportation Agency received six completed competitive grant applications, totaling \$13,881,319 in requested Regional Surface Transportation Program grant funding. Each application was reviewed and scored by four committee members. The attached summary sheet provides an overview of the projects submitted for consideration, and how the applications were scored by the review committee. The following projects are recommended by Agency staff for funding in ranked order:

- City of Monterey - The North Fremont Gap Closure Project - \$2,862,000
- City of Gonzales - Gonzales Citywide Multimodal Improvement Project - \$3,219,773
- City of Seaside - Coe Avenue and General Jim Moore Boulevard and Seaside MS Intersection Improvements - \$2,231,000
- County of Monterey - Prunedale Roundabout Project - \$2,868,546
- City of Pacific Grove - Walkway, Sunset Drive - \$200,000
- Monterey-Salinas Transit - MST High-Capacity Bus Replacement Project - \$1,634,103

Staff recommends funding all the applications requesting competitive grant funds. The total amount of projects recommended for funding is \$13.0 million, which is less than the fund estimate approved by the Transportation Agency Board of \$13.4 million. The balance of competitive funds is \$408,532.

Quick-Build Grant Program

The Transportation Agency received four complete quick-build project applications, totaling \$2,408,532 in requested Regional Surface Transportation Program grant funding. No pilot project applications were submitted. Each application was reviewed and scored by four committee members. The attached summary sheet provides an overview of the projects submitted for consideration, and how the applications were scored by the review committee. After considering the scores and factoring in whether the project satisfied the program's intention, the following projects are recommended by Agency staff for grant funding in ranked order:

- City of Gonzales - Gonzales Quick-Build Project - \$187,000
- County of Monterey - San Juan Road Improvement Project - \$870,000

- City of Soledad - Citywide Ped and Signal Upgrade Project - \$965,000
- Count of Monterey - Moss Landing Road Pedestrian Path - \$386,532

Staff recommends funding all the applications requesting quick-build grant funds. The total amount of projects recommended for funding is \$2,408,532, which is \$408,532 more than the fund estimate approved by the Transportation Agency Board of \$2 million. Staff proposes to use the balance of approved Competitive Grant funds of \$408,532 to cover the difference.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2026 Competitive Grants Score Summary - Combined

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

Transportation Agency for Monterey County



2026 Competitive Grants - Funding Recommendation

Application Code	Project Title	Sponsor	Funding Requested	Total Project Cost	Share of Other Funds	All Other Funds Secured	Application Score	Recommended Funding
MRY-COM26-01	The North Fremont Gap Closure Project	Monterey	\$2,862,000	\$3,643,000	21%	Yes	83.50	\$2,862,000
GON-COM26-01	Gonzales Citywide Multimodal Improvement Project	Gonzales	\$3,219,773	\$4,515,446	29%	Yes	82.25	\$3,219,773
SEA-COM26-01	Coe Avenue and General Jim Moore Boulevard and Seaside MS Intersection Improvements	Seaside	\$2,231,000	\$2,466,000	10%	Yes	81.75	\$2,231,000
MON-COM26-01	Prunedale Roundabout Project	County of Monterey	\$2,868,546	\$8,694,763	67%	No	79.75	\$2,868,546
PG-COM26-01	Walkway, Sunset Drive	Pacific Grove	\$200,000	\$220,000	9%	Yes	69.50	\$200,000
MST-COM26-01	MST High-Capacity Bus Replacement Project	Monterey-Salinas Transit	\$2,500,000	\$4,230,290	41%	No	65.25	\$1,634,103
			\$13,881,319	\$23,769,499				\$13,015,422

2026 Quick-Build Grants - Funding Recommendation

Application Code	Project Title	Sponsor	Funding Requested	Total Project Cost	Application Score	Recommended Funding
GON-QB26-01	Gonzales Quick-Build Project	Gonzales	\$187,000	\$187,000	82.75	\$187,000
MON-QB26-01	San Juan Road Improvement Project	County of Monterey	\$870,000	\$870,000	82.25	\$870,000
SOL-QB26-01	Citywide Ped and Signal Upgrade Project	Soledad	\$965,000	\$965,000	78.50	\$965,000
MON-QB26-02	Moss Landing Road Pedestrian Path	County of Monterey	\$386,532	\$386,532	71.25	\$386,532
			\$2,408,532	\$2,408,532		\$2,408,532

Fund Summary	
Regional Surface Transportation Program - Competitive	\$11,680,000
Transportation Development Act 2%	\$1,050,000
Deprogrammed competitive projects	\$693,954
Total Competitive Funds Available (Estimate)	\$13,423,954
Total Request for Competitive Funds	\$13,015,422
Unprogrammed Balance of Competitive Funds	\$408,532
Total Request for Quick-Build Funds	\$2,408,532
Total Quick Build Funds	\$2,000,000
Balance of Quick-Build Request	-\$408,532

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Andy Cook, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Union Pacific Railroad Design Review Agreement - King City Multimodal Transportation Center**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**King City Multimodal Transportation Center - Union Pacific Railroad Design Review Agreement:**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to execute reimbursement agreement with Union Pacific Railroad to review design submittals for the King City Multimodal Transportation Center, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of State Rail Assistance and SB 125 funds for this purpose; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the agreement, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

SUMMARY:

TAMC assumed lead agency responsibilities for the planned King City Multimodal Transportation Center (MMTC) project from the City of King in February, which will be constructed along the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) Coast Subdivision mainline. UPRR requires passenger rail project sponsors to enter into design review agreements to reimburse the railroad for its costs in reviewing and approving design plans. TAMC must approve and execute a new agreement with UPRR to continue design work for the project.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The new design review agreement between UPRR and TAMC for the King City MMTC project includes a \$750,000 budget for reviewing plans through final design. The agreement will be funded with State Rail Assistance (SRA) and SB 125 funds already secured and allocated to the project to complete design and environmental phases. The State allocated SRA to the project to complete the design phase and the budget included \$175,000 for design review based on the previous agreement between the City of King and UPRR. Staff intends to utilize SB 125 funds to cover the additional budget required for the new design review agreement.

DISCUSSION:

The King City Multimodal Transportation Center (MMTC) project will implement a new passenger rail station on the UPRR Coast route in King City, including new and upgraded track infrastructure, storage for connecting bus services, and vehicle parking. The project also includes grade crossing

modifications and improvements within the City to accommodate the station and track design, the most significant being the closure of the existing Pearl Street crossing and opening a new crossing at Broadway. The project is designed to be delivered in phases: Phase 1 constructs the grade crossing improvements, a single-platform and station track improvements, and parking to serve a new stop for the existing Amtrak Coast Starlight long-distance service; Phase 2 constructs a second platform and pedestrian overcrossing to serve additional state-supported intercity rail service planned between San Jose and San Luis Obispo by the State and Coast Rail partner agencies; and Phase 3 completes full build-out of station amenities and connecting bus improvements.

The California State Transportation Agency awarded State Rail Assistance funds for the King City MMTC project as part of a grant to the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) for Coast Rail improvements in 2018, which funded initial design engineering and review being completed through an active consulting contract with RailPros and a design review agreement required by UPRR in 2020. The City of King advanced design for the project up to completion of 25% design plans through its agreement with UPRR. The railroad provided comments and direction for revising and resubmitting the design plans in June and the project is ready to proceed into environmental review.

The State, SLOCOG, and the City of King agreed to designate TAMC as the lead agency for delivering the project in February and approved the transfer of funds to TAMC. The Board of Directors and City of King approved an agreement transferring the RailPros design engineering contract to TAMC in June. Given the change in lead agency, UPRR requested that TAMC enter into a new design review agreement (**attached**) based on an updated cost estimate that is aligned with its most recent costs for similar active projects statewide, including the Salinas station improvements being developed by TAMC.

The new design review agreement must be approved to allow design engineering to proceed. Staff will review and monitor the project funding plan and schedule as the station design milestones are completed and provide updates to the Rail Policy Committee.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. UPRR Preliminary Engineering Agreement

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

**SECOND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES**

Effective Date:

Estimate: \$750,000.00

THIS SECOND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT (**Agreement**) is made and entered into as of the **Effective Date**, by and between UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, a Delaware corporation (**Railroad**), and TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (**Agency**).

RECITALS

A. Agency desires to initiate the project more particularly described on Exhibit A attached hereto (**Project**).

B. The Project will affect Railroad's track, right of way, or operations at or near the Project area more particularly described on Exhibit A.

C. Railroad agrees to collaborate with Agency on the conceptualization and development of the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and any federal regulations.

AGREEMENT

NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Railroad, and/or its representatives, at Agency's sole cost and expense, agrees to perform (or shall cause a third-party consultant to perform on Railroad's behalf) the preliminary engineering services work described on Exhibit B attached hereto (**PE Work**). Agency acknowledges and agrees that: (a) Railroad's review of any Project designs, plans and/or specifications, as part of the PE Work, is limited exclusively to potential impacts on existing and future Railroad facilities and operations; (b) Railroad makes no representations or warranties as to the validity, accuracy, legal compliance, or completeness of the PE Work; and (c) Agency's reliance on the PE Work is at Agency's own risk.

2. Notwithstanding the Estimate (**Estimate**), Agency agrees to reimburse Railroad and/or Railroad's third-party consultant, as applicable, for one hundred percent (100%) of all actual costs and expenses incurred for the PE Work. During the performance of the PE Work, Railroad will provide (and/or will cause its third-party consultant to provide) progressive billing to Agency based on actual costs in connection with the PE Work. After completion of the PE Work, Railroad will submit (and/or will cause its third-party consultant to submit) a final billing to Agency for any balance owed for the PE Work. Agency shall pay Railroad (and/or its third-party consultant, as applicable) within thirty (30) days after Agency's receipt of any progressive and final bills submitted for the PE Work. Bills will be submitted to the Agency using the contact information provided on Exhibit C. Agency's obligation hereunder to reimburse Railroad (and/or its third-party consultant, as applicable) for the PE Work shall apply regardless of whether Agency declines to proceed with the Project or Railroad elects not to approve the Project.

3. Agency acknowledges and agrees that Railroad may withhold its approval for the Project for any reason in its sole discretion, including without limitation, impacts to Railroad's safety, facilities, or operations. If Railroad approves the Project, Railroad will continue to work with Agency to develop final plans and specifications and prepare material and force cost estimates for any Project related work performed by Railroad. Approval of any design submittal shall not be construed as consent to the acquisition (or conveyance) of any property interest, nor shall it be interpreted as a representation that any such acquisition (or conveyance) would be compatible with or non-interfering with Union Pacific's current and future railroad operations.

4. If the Project is approved by Railroad, Railroad shall prepare and forward to Agency a Construction and Maintenance Agreement (**C&M Agreement**) which shall provide the terms and conditions for the construction and ongoing maintenance of the Project. Unless otherwise expressly set forth in the C&M Agreement, the construction and maintenance of the Project shall be at no cost to Railroad. No construction work on the Project affecting Railroad's property or operations shall commence until the C&M Agreement is finalized and executed by Agency and Railroad.

5. Neither party shall assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed.

6. No amendment or variation of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties.

7. This Agreement sets forth the entire agreement between the parties regarding the Project and PE Work. To the extent that any terms or provisions of this Agreement regarding the PE Work are inconsistent with the terms or provisions set forth in any existing agreement related to the Project, such terms and provisions shall be deemed superseded by this Agreement to the extent of such inconsistency.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have duly executed this Agreement as of the Effective Date.

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR
MONTEREY COUNTY**

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY,
a Delaware Corporation

Signature

Signature

Printed Name

Amber Stoffels

Printed Name

Title

Manager I, Industry & Public Projects

Title

Exhibit A

Project Description and Location

Project Description

Transportation Agency for Monterey County is proposing new Amtrak side platform and interim station parking, track alignment and siding extension, crossing modifications at the locations referenced below.

Location

Coast Subdivision

DOT	Crossing Type	Milepost	Street Name
753755Y	Public	159.694	SAN ANTONIO DRIVE
752123M	Public	160.08	BITTERWATER ROAD
984199J	Public	160.279	BROADWAY ST
752121Y	Public	160.42	PEARL STREET

Exhibit B

Scope of Project Services

Scope of work may include, but is not limited to the following:

- Field diagnostic(s) and inspections
- Review of construction documents (plans, specifications, etc.)
- Project design
- Preparation of Project estimate for force account or other work performed by the Railroad
- Grade crossing inventory updates
- Meetings and travel
- Construction observation

Exhibit C
Billing Contact Information

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Title	Principal Planner
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Cell Phone	
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Agency Project No.	

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Aaron Hernandez, Associate Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: Kimley-Horn - 2026 Nexus Study Update Contract Amendment #1

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Kimley-Horn - 2026 Nexus Study Update Contract Amendment #1**

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to execute contract amendment #1 with Kimley-Horn & Associates for the 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update contract to increase the budget by \$19,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$117,980 to cover additional to reevaluate the administrative draft cost per trip including costs to attend additional meetings;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of Regional Development Impact Fee Administrative funds budgeted for this project;
3. **FIND** that this amendment is justified as a sole source due to the efficiencies that support award to the existing consultant as a logical follow-on to work already in progress under a competitively awarded contract; and
4. **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to take such further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the contract, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved contract term or amount.

SUMMARY:

The Transportation Agency contracted with Kimley-Horn & Associates to conduct the 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update following a competitive process in 2024. The Agency is seeking to expand the scope of work and budget to cover additional costs to reevaluate the administrative draft cost per trip based on board feedback.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The current not-to-exceed amount for the contract ending in December 31, 2026 is \$98,979.90. This amendment #1 would increase the total no-to-exceed amount to \$117,980.

DISCUSSION:

On February 26, 2025 the Transportation Agency Board approved a contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc to conduct the Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update. The original contract included a series of tasks for the consultant to evaluate and update the agency's Regional Development Impact Fee Program. To conduct the nexus study, the consultant analyzed regional system deficiencies of the roadway network using the Regional Travel Demand Model and update infrastructure projects funded by the fee program to establish an updated cost estimate. These two components allow for the consultant to conduct a nexus evaluation which then provides data to

update the fee schedule to charge new developments on the regional traffic impacts that they will impose. This update also includes an evaluation to ensure that the nexus study adheres to new state laws such as AB 602.

Since the start of the contract, Kimley-Horn has conducted additional meetings with staff and will need to attend and present to more TAMC Board meetings based on feedback on the cost per trip presented in the May 2026 Board meeting. Kimley-Horn will need to complete additional analysis to support updating the program based on previously completed analysis, such as comparing fees per trip rate from the previous to proposed fee schedule, providing examples of calculating fees for specific land uses, and comparing the fee per trip with and without the existing benefit zone system.

Amendment #1 (**attached**) increases the not-to-exceed amount of the agreement to \$117,980 to cover the additional expenses to complete the additional analysis of the nexus study update. The term of the contract will remain the same, ending on December 31, 2026. Staff expects the final adoption of the RDIF rate schedule by the October 28, 2026 TAMC Board meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. KimleyHornNexusStudy_Amendment1

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

AMENDMENT #1 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
BETWEEN
THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
AND
KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 to the agreement dated February 26, 2025, between the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, hereinafter referred to as "TAMC," and Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., a North Carolina Stock Corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Consultant," is hereby entered into between TAMC and Consultant.

RECITALS:

- A. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant entered into an agreement for professional services on February 26, 2025, hereinafter referred to as "Agreement;" and
- B. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Consultant desire to amend the Agreement to expand the scope of work and budget to cover additional costs to reevaluate the administrative draft cost per trip including costs to attend additional meetings;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The Scope of Services attached to the Agreement as Exhibit A is hereby replaced with the Scope of Services attached hereto as Exhibit A-1 and shall be effective upon execution.

2. **PAYMENTS TO CONSULTANT; MAXIMUM LIABILITY**

Paragraph 2 of the Agreement is amended as follows (changes in strikeout and underline):

"Subject to the limitations set forth herein, TAMC shall pay to Consultant the amounts provided in Exhibit B: Budget, upon receipt and acceptance of deliverables listed therein. Each payment by TAMC shall be for a specific deliverable or services outlined in Exhibit A: Scope of Work and Schedule. The maximum amount payable to the Consultant under this Agreement is set forth in Exhibit B: Budget and shall not exceed the amount of ~~NINETY EIGHT THOUSAND NINE HUNDRE SEVENTY NINE DOLLARS AND NINETY CENTS (\$98,979.90)~~ ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$117,980). If there is any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of either Exhibit A (Scope of Work and Schedule) or Exhibit B (Budget), the terms of this Agreement shall prevail. TAMC does not guarantee any minimum amount of dollars to be spent under this Agreement."

The Budget attached to the Agreement as Exhibit B is hereby replaced with the Budget attached hereto as Exhibit B-1 and shall be effective upon execution.

3. REMAINDER OF TERMS UNCHANGED

All other terms of the Agreement, as amended, remain in full effect.

An executed copy of this Amendment No. 1 shall be attached to the Agreement and shall be incorporated as if fully set forth therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

TAMC

By: _____
Frederik Venter, PE
Senior Vice President

By: _____
Todd A. Muck
Executive Director

Dated: _____

Dated: _____

By: _____
Michael Schmitt, AICP CTP, PTP, RSP_{2B}
Secretary

Dated: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: If Consultant is a corporation (including limited liability and nonprofit corporations), the full legal name of the corporation shall be set forth together with the signatures of two specified officers. If Consultant is a partnership, the name of the partnership shall be set forth together with the signature of a partner with authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the partnership. If Consultant is contracting in an individual capacity, the individual shall set forth the name of his or her business, if any, and shall personally sign the Agreement.

Approved as to form:

TAMC Counsel

Dated: _____

EXHIBIT A-1: Scope of Work and Schedule

Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update

Task 1: Project Management & Meetings

Task 1.1: Project Management (PM)

The work for the 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee (RDIF) Program Update will begin concurrently with the kick-off meetings, and include the following key aspects:

- Communication with TAMC staff and member jurisdictions as necessary to discuss/resolve key issues in a timely and proactive manner
- Day-to-day project management
- Quality, Budget & Schedule control/assurance

Task 1.2: Project Meetings:

Attend a project “Kick-Off” meeting following receipt of Notice to Proceed. This meeting is anticipated to include TAMC staff, Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) members, and representatives from members jurisdictions as invited by TAMC.

- Review the project scope of work and finalize work plan
- Establish project communications protocol
- Develop consensus on key project issues, goals, safety metrics, methodologies and expected deliverables.
- Attend a total of five (5) meetings as part of this proposal.

As part of the kickoff meeting, the consultant will work with TAMC staff to develop a final scope of work that fully encompasses the legal requirements, schedule, and budget.

Task 1.3: TAMC TAC Meetings:

Attend/present at two (2) additional Technical Advisory Committee meetings to solicit feedback on the RDIF program update.

Task 1.4: TAMC Board Meetings:

Attend/present at three (3) additional TAMC Board meetings.

Deliverables:

- Refined scope of work, additional task, and budget
- Detailed schedule identifying key milestones and deliverables

- Progress review meetings (including agenda and meeting minutes)
- Attend 2 TAC meetings
- Attend 3 TAMC Board meetings

Task 2: Regional System Deficiencies Analysis

Task 2.1: Review Regional Travel Demand Model (TDM)

The consultant will obtain the latest available Regional Travel Demand Model (RTDM) for base-year (2023) and horizon year (2045) conditions from the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments. The consultant will review and summarize the latest land use assumptions for each of TAMC's member jurisdictions for the base and horizon years including recent Housing Element work completed by the consultant, in the RTDM as part of this scope of work. The seven screen-lines evaluated in the 2018 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update will be revisited and reviewed for the base year.

Task 2.2: Identify Base Year 2023 Deficiencies

The consultant will review base-year traffic counts provided by TAMC and the base-year (2023) AMBAG RTDM volumes along the study facilities using planning level daily capacities to identify existing LOS deficiencies. The facilities selected for analysis will include facilities analyzed during the last update of the RDIF Program.

In addition, consultant will complete a safety-based LOS analysis for facilities included in TAMC's safety program for the base year. The safety analysis will be used to determine existing base-year operational/capacity deficiencies and serve as an AB 602-compliant analysis for any improvements included in TAMC's safety program.

Task 2.3: Identify Year 2045 Deficiencies:

The consultant will use the horizon-year (2045) AMBAG RTDM volumes along the study facilities using planning level daily capacities to identify LOS deficiencies using the base year roadway network. The facilities selected for analysis will include facilities analyzed during the last update of the RDIF Program.

In addition, consultant will complete a safety-based LOS analysis for facilities included in TAMC's safety program for the horizon year. The safety analysis will be used to determine existing horizon-year operational/capacity deficiencies and serve as an AB 602-compliant analysis for any improvements included in TAMC's safety program.

Task 2.4: Prepare Working Paper

Prepare a working paper including text, tables and illustrative graphics to summarize the results for deficiency analysis findings for the base year and horizon year.

Deliverables

- Working paper summarizing the results of the Regional Travel Demand Model review and the base year and future year safety-based analysis and deficiency analysis.

Task 3: Improvement Projects Selection and Cost Estimates Preparation

Task 3.1: Review & Reevaluate Improvement Projects

Consultant will evaluate the need for the previously identified transportation capital improvement projects to address existing and horizon year system deficiencies identified in Task 2. As necessary, consultant will conceptually identify incremental improvement projects and/or eliminate prior projects that are no longer necessary with the context of a 20-year improvement priority scale.

Task 3.2: Select Priority Projects

Consultant will discuss the short-list prioritized improvement projects (“candidate projects” likely to be retained or carried forward in the 2026 RDIF Nexus Study Update with the Technical Advisory Committee. Consultant will also include improvements that address safety deficiencies identified during the existing and future year safety-based analysis.

Task 3.3: Prepare/Update Project Cost Estimates:

Consultant will prepare cost estimates for candidate projects at a planning level of detail. Costs will include construction, design, right-of-way and environmental sub-components. Cost estimates will be prepared for safety improvements identified during Task 3.2 as well.

Task 3.4: AB 602 LOS Analysis

Consultant will perform an AB 602 compliant level of service (LOS) analysis for improvement projects identified to be funded by the 2026 RDIF program that are not analyzed as part of the deficiency analysis described in Task 2 such as active transportation projects. Consultant will also identify improvement projects for which MOEs cannot be determined, in compliance with AB 602, such as signal system upgrade or other regionwide improvements. The analysis performed in this task will be limited to the available budget for this task.

Task 3.5: AB 602 Fee by Housing Analysis

Deliverables

- Summary of the results of the capacity evaluation and improvement project review
- List of priority projects and safety improvements projects
- Cost estimates for each priority project and safety improvement project
- AB 602 Fee by Housing analysis results

Task 4: Nexus Evaluation

Task 4.1: Select Zone/Link TDM Runs

Determine reasonable traffic “nexus” by using the AMBAG RTDM to complete “select link” and “select zone” model runs by each benefit zone for each priority project. Create a table matrix summarizing project-by-project cost allocation by benefit zone.

Task 4.2: Determine Existing & New Trips

Determine proportion of trips by jurisdictions that are existing trips and new trips (from planned new development).

Task 4.3: Literature on Current Legal Environment

Review literature on the existing legal environment of nexus evaluations. Provide guidance to TAMC and the Technical Advisory Committee for best practices on the outcomes of the latest legal changes.

Deliverables

- Summary of the relevant literature and existing legal environment of nexus evaluations

Task 5: Prepare Draft 2026 RDIF Rate Schedule

Task 5.1: Administrative Draft Cost Per Trip:

As a part of developing the rate schedule, Kimley-Horn developed several scenarios for a cost per trip based on the project cost estimates, maximum project cost by project, and a comparison to the 2018 RDIF Program Update. These were presented to the TAC and modified before presenting them to the TAMC Board. Based on feedback from the Board and in consultation with City staff, additional analysis is required to support updating the Program based on the previously completed analysis. This includes:

- Showing the 2018 fee per trip rate applied to a development project and what would occur with the new rates.
- Showing examples of where discounts are applied with the current program and provide examples of what would happen if discounts were applied to the new fee per trip.
- Provide an example of calculating fees for a residential and non-residential project for the new program.
- Develop a slide of how ADUs interact with fees.
- Develop a slide about infill housing/affordable housing reductions in the current fee program.
- Complete an analysis and develop a slide for including transit capital costs and administrative costs in the fee program.
- Calculate the fee per trip for the County as a whole and provide examples of what the fees would be in this system for a residential and non-residential project compared to keeping the current zone system.

Task 5.2: Administrative Draft 2026 RDIF Rate Schedule:

Develop Administrative Draft 2026 RDIF rate schedule estimates by land use category.

- Review Administrative Draft 2026 RDIF with TAMC staff. Then prepare Final Draft for review and comment by member jurisdictions.

Deliverables

- Administrative Draft 2026 RDIF rate schedule

- Final Draft 2026 RDIF rate schedule

Task 6: Prepare Final 2026 RDIF Rate Schedule

Obtain and review all agency/stakeholder comments. Review the level of the fees, incorporate rate adjustments as necessary (for infill, affordable housing, etc.) and finalize 2026 RDIF rate schedule for TAMC Board adoption

Deliverables

- Agency/stakeholder comments on the Final Draft 2026 RDIF rate schedule
- Final 2026 RDIF rate schedule

Task 7: 2026 RDIF Documentation Update

Task 7.1: Update Nexus Study Report

Prepare and submit 2026 RDIF Update Documentation Report (using appropriate text, tables, graphics and technical appendices for TAMC staff review). Review and finalize based on TAC and member jurisdiction comments.

Task 7.2: Update RDIF Implementation Guidelines

Update RDIF Implementation Guidelines document and prepare Updated 2026 RDIF Implementation Guidelines.

Deliverables

- Draft 2026 RDIF Update Documentation Report
- Final 2026 RDIF Update Documentation Report
- Updated 2026 RDIF Implementation Guidelines document

EXHIBIT B-1: Budget

Task #	Task Name	Budget	
1	Project Management & Meetings	\$	19,993.99
2	Regional System Deficiencies Analysis	\$	20,183.38
3	Improvement Projects Selection and Cost Estimates Preparation	\$	22,618.81
4	Nexus Evaluation	\$	14,476.75
5	Prepare Draft 2026 RDIF Rate Schedule	\$	13,565.85
6	Prepare Final 2026 RDIF Rate Schedule	\$	3,627.83
7	2026 RDIF Documentation Update	\$	23,513.29
TOTAL		\$	117,979.90

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant & Clerk of the Board
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **MINUTES**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ACCEPT draft minutes of the Transportation Agency Committees:

- Rail Policy Committee — draft minutes of August 3, 2026
- Executive Committee — draft minutes of August 5, 2026
- [Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory](#) Committee — draft minutes of August 5, 2026
- [Technical Advisory](#) Committee — draft minutes of August 6, 2026
- [Measure X Citizens Oversight](#) Committee — No Meeting

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

1. EXEC Draft minutes August 5 2026-1
2. Draft_RPC_Minutes_August_2026_Meeting

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, August 5, 2026

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

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

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	SEP 25	OCT 25	NOV 25	JAN 26	FEB 26	MAR 26	APR 26	MAY 26	JUN 26	AUG 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	P(A) (VC)	P	P	P(A) (VC)	P	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)
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 (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)
Glenn Church, County Representative , Supervisor District 2, (Marilyn Vierra, Leonie Gray)	P(A)	P	P (VC)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)
Dennis Donohue, City Representative , City of Salinas (Margaret D'Arrigo)	P (VC)	P (VC)	E	P (VC)	*P	P	P	P	A	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: Guthrie, Kise, Muck, Park, Rodriguez, Strause, Watson, and Zeller.

Others present: Shane Strong, TAMC Counsel; Gus Khouri, Khouri Consulting LLC; Linda Gonzales and Jasmine Cortez Mejia, Monterey County District 1; Kera Panni, Monterey County District 5; Nick McIlroy, San Diego; Sanjida Nahar, Actum II

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

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

Approved the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of June 3, 2026.

4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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

- Assembly Bill (AB) 2168 (Wicks): Active Transportation Program: guidelines: change from "support if amended" to "support"
- Senate Bill (SB) 667 (Archuleta): Railroads: safety: change from "oppose" to "watch"
- SB 741 (Blakespear): Low Carbon Transit Operations Program: "support"

Gus Khouri, Agency State Legislative Analyst, reported that Legislators returned from summer recess on August 3 and are 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.

Christina Watson, Director of Planning, highlighted federal legislative activities, noting 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 DRAFT AGENDA

Todd Muck, Executive Director, reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of August 26, 2026. After the Executive Committee discussion, directions were provided to staff to place the following items for consideration on the regular agenda:

- Employee of the Quarter
- Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Update
- 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update
- Closed Session: conference with real estate negotiators pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8 and conference with legal counsel to discuss anticipated litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9 of the Government Code

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Poduri adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)

RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

Draft Minutes of August 3, 2026

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

	JUL 25	AUG 25	SEP 25	OCT 25	NOV 25	JAN 26	FEB 26	MAR 26	APR 26	MAY 26	JUN 26	AUG 26
L. Alejo, Dist. 1 (L. Gonzalez, J. Gomez)	N	P	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P	P	C	P	P	P(A) (VC)	E	P
G. Church, Dist. 2 (M. Viera , L. Gray)	O	P	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	A	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
W. Askew, Dist. 4 (Y. Anderson , K. Panni)	M	P(A)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	N	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)
K. Daniels, Dist. 5, (K. Craig)	E	P	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	C	P	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	E
M. LeBarre, King City, Chair (C. DeLeon)	E	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
B. Delgado, Marina (J. McAdams L. Visscher)	T	P	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	A	P(A) (VC)	L	P (VC)	P (VC)	A	P (VC)	P
E. Smith, Monterey (G. Garcia, M. Garcia , A. Easterling)	I	P	P	P	A	P	L	E	P	P(A) (VC)	A	E
D. Donohue, Salinas, (M. D'Arrigo)	N	P	P	P	A	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
M. Carbone, Sand City (J. Blackwelder)	G	P	E	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	E	D	P (VC)	P	P	P	P
I. Oglesby, Seaside (D. Pacheco)		P	P	P	A	P		P	P	P	P	P
A. Velazquez, Soledad (F. Ansaldo-Sanchez)		P	P (VC)	E	A	P (VC)		P (VC)	P (VC)	E	P (VC)	P (VC)
M. Twomey, AMBAG (H. Adamson , P. Hierling)		A	P(A)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)		A	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)
A. Fukushima, Caltrans District 5		P (VC)	A	A	A	A		A	A	P*	P	P (VC)
C. Sedoryk, MST (L. Rheinheimer/ M. Overmeyer)		P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)		A	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)
STAFF	JUL 25	AUG 25	SEP 25	OCT 25	NOV 25	JAN 26	FEB 26	MAR 26	APR 26	MAY 26	JUN 26	AUG 26
O. Barajas, Transportation Planner	N	-	-	-	-	-	C	P*	A	A	A	A
R. Bigelow, Contracts and Grants	O	-	P* (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	A	A	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	A
A. Cook, Principal Planner	E	-	-	-	-	-	C	-	P*	P	P	P
A. Guther, Assoc. Transp. Planner	E	P	A	P	P	P	E	P	E	E	P	P (VC)
A. Hernandez, Transp. Planner	T	A	A	A	A	P (VC)	L	A	A	A	P (VC)	E

J. Kise, Director of Finance and Admin	I	A	P (VC)	P (VC)	A	A	L	P (VC)	A	P	A	E
M. Montiel Admin Assistant	N	P	P	E	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
S. Linnevers Transp. Planner	G	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	P*	A	A	E
T. Muck, Executive Director		P	P	P	P	P		P	A	P	P	P
M. Park, Finance Officer/Analyst		P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	A		A	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P
M. Sheehan, Accounting Assistant		-	-	-	-	-		-	-	P (VC)	A	E
J. Strause, Senior Transp. Planner		P (VC)	A	A	P (VC)	P (VC)		P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	E
C. Watson, Director of Planning		P (VC)	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P
B. Wilson Transp Planning Intern		-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	P*	E
L. Williamson, Senior Engineer		P	P	E	P	P (VC)		A	P	P	A	P
M. Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery		P	P	P	P	P (VC)		P (VC)	E	P	P	P (VC)

P = Present A = Absent P(A) = Alternate Present E = Excused (VC) = Video Conference * = New representative

1. QUORUM CHECK AND CALL TO ORDER

Chair LeBarre called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant, called the roll and confirmed a quorum was established.

OTHERS PRESENT

Dave Simpson	Herzog	Jasmine Mejia Cortez	District 1 Office
Paul Dyson	Public	Rob Cunningham	Caltrans Division of Rail
Roland LeBrun	Public		

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paul Dyson expressed concern regarding the best way to convince LOSSAN to enable thruway bus ticketing without a rail ticket.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Carbone / Oglesby / unanimous

3.1 Approved minutes of June 1, 2026, Rail Policy Committee meeting.

3.2 Received correspondence.

3.3 Received media clippings attached online.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. CENTRAL COAST SERVICE DEPLOYMENT PLAYBOOK

The Committee received a presentation on the Central Coast Service Deployment Playbook.

Andy Cook, Principal Transportation Planner, introduced Rob Cunningham, Caltrans Division of Rail. Mr. Cunningham reported on a service implementation playbook for the initial extension of intercity rail service to the Central Coast, including the Monterey County Rail Extension. He noted that the Central Coast Service Deployment Playbook will serve as a basis for State-led negotiations with the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) and passenger rail operators to secure operating agreements needed to initiate the new rail services in the Central Coast Rail Corridor. The Playbook was designed as a platform for bringing the partner operating agencies to the table under a State umbrella to provide an action plan with roles and responsibilities for starting service and engaging with UPRR to clarify operating and capital requirements.

Committee members raised questions related to travel time, operating funds, ridership demand, project schedules, planning timelines, and benefits for tourism in the region.

Public comment:

Roland LeBrun said that he is excited about the proposed passenger rail service and would like to see the train stop in Gilroy.

Paul Dyson noted expressed frustration with the time it takes to get rail projects implemented.

5. SALINAS RAIL KICK START PROJECT UPDATE

The Committee received an update on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project.

Christina Watson, Director of Planning, reported on the Monterey County Rail Extension Project. She noted that the team submitted 30% plans for the Salinas layover facility and platform to UPRR on April 24, 2026, securing UPRR permission to proceed to the 90% plan stage for Salinas in June. Ms. Watson added that the team submitted the revised 25% plans for the Gilroy track connections and roadway crossings to UPRR on June 19 and secured UPRR permission to schedule a site visit and move into 30% design on July 24. She noted that the final tenant on Agency property has now vacated the property and staff is preparing for demolition of that structure. Ms. Watson noted that HDR is coordinating with Caltrans and utilities on relocation plans, aiming to get CalWater and PG&E relocated to New Street in fall 2026 or spring 2027.

6. CENTRAL COAST RAIL CORRIDOR PROJECT UPDATES

The Committee received an update on the implementation plans for new passenger rail service along the Central Coast Rail Corridor between the San Francisco Bay and Los Angeles.

Andy Cook, Principal Transportation Planner, provided an update on the King City station project. Mr. Cook noted that the Agency successfully coordinated to have UPRR complete its review of 25% track design plans for the station project and is coordinating UPRR to approve and execute a new design review agreement. Mr. Cook noted that staff sent template resolutions of support for the passenger rail pilot project for the 2028 Olympics and Paralympic Games to all Committee Members. Mr. Cook reported the next Coast Rail Coordinating Council is scheduled for September 11, 2026.

Committee members asked staff to send the template resolution of support to all TAMC Board Members and City Managers and asked staff to send template letters of support to regional Chambers of Commerce.

7. HIGHWAY 1 ELKHORN SLOUGH CORRIDOR CLIMATE RESILIENCY PROJECT

The Committee received an update on the Highway 1 Elkhorn Slough Corridor Climate Resiliency project activities.

Alissa Guthier, Associate Transportation Planner, reported that agency staff hosted a joint Advisory Group and Steering Committee meeting on June 8, 2026. She noted that participants were asked to fill out a survey on alternative evaluation screening criteria. Ms. Guthier noted that the next milestone will be presenting the final proposed alternatives to the Steering Committee and Technical Working Group. She noted that Agency staff will continue to meet on a one-on-one basis with partner organizations to gain insight and receive resources needed to further the alternatives development and selection.

8. PAJARO/WATSONVILLE MULTIMODAL STATION PROJECT UPDATE

The Committee received an update on the Pajaro / Watsonville Multimodal Station Project.

Andy Cook, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that TAMC staff scheduled a site visit with UPRR on June 15 and received feedback on design concepts for the planned Pajaro/Watsonville station. Mr. Cook noted that staff coordinated with Caltrans to request a 24-month extension of the TIRCP grant. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) approved a 12-month extension at its June meeting, and staff plans to submit another extension before June 2027 for the remaining time needed. Mr. Cook noted that the Committee directed staff to schedule a second joint meeting between SCCRTC and the RPC to coordinate plans for future connections at the Pajaro/Watsonville Station, which SCCRTC staff have asked to reschedule for early 2027.

Committee members expressed frustrations related to delaying the meeting, noting the importance of strengthening connections between the agencies.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None.

10. ADJOURN

Chair LeBarre adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant & Clerk of the Board
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **CORRESPONDENCE**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE TAMC Correspondence for August 2026.

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

None

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

- [August 12, 2026, letter to The Honorable John Laird, Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee, Chair regarding: Letter of Support – Central Coast Pilot Rail Service from Colleen Bailey, President & CEO, Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce.](#)
- [August 5, 2026, letter to Kevin Kahn and Rachel Pausch, California Coast Commission regarding: Support for Sand City Collections LLC Coastal Development Permit Application for The Collections Resort from TAMC Executive Director Todd Muck.](#)
- [August 5, 2026, letter to TAMC Board of Directors regarding: Letter of support for the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Phase 1 Roundabouts from Christine Morello, Executive Director, Monterey Regional Airport.](#)
- [July 28, 2026, letter to Carl Sedoryk, General Manager / CEO, Monterey-Salinas Transit District regarding: Support for Monterey-Salinas Transit District's Application to the 5311\(f\) Grant Program to Continue Line 84 Operations from King City to Paso Robles from TAMC Executive Director Todd Muck.](#)
- [July 28, 2026, letter to Carl Sedoryk, General Manager / CEO, Monterey-Salinas Transit District regarding: Support for Monterey-Salinas Transit District's Application to the 5311\(f\) Grant Program to Continue Line 59 Operations from Salinas to Gilroy from TAMC Executive Director Todd Muck.](#)
- [July 9, 2026, letter to Tanisha Taylor, Executive Director, California Transportation](#)

Commission re: Time Extension Request for Period of Project Development Expenditure Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) #14 Rail Extension to Monterey County: Right Of Way Date: August 20-21, 2026 California Transportation Commission meeting from TAMC Executive Director Todd Muck.

- July 27, 2026, letter to Kyle Grading, Chief, Division of Rail and Mass Transportation, California Department of Transportation regarding: Requesting an Integrated Project Delivery Schedule for the Capital Requirements Ahead of Salinas First Round-Trip Service from Robert Padgett, Managing Director, Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority.
- July 21, 2026, letter to TAMC Executive Director Todd Muck regarding: President's Special Acknowledgment Award — Worker's Compensation Program from Robert J. Swan, President Special District Risk Management Authority.
- June 22, 2026, letter to TAMC Executive Director Todd Muck regarding: Restoration to bring excursion trains to the Monterey & Salinas Valley Railroad Museum on the abandoned Monterey Branch Line from Harish Griffin Sundaram.
- June 22, 2026, letter to Bruce Lindsey regarding: Highway 68 roundabouts from Theresa Wright.

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Todd Muck, Executive Director
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: Employee of the Quarter

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

PRESENT the Transportation Agency Employee of the Quarter to Aaron Hernandez.

SUMMARY:

The Agency employees recognize Aaron for his professionalism, his positive attitude, and his hard work on Information Technology and his great work onboarding new staff. Staff appreciate Aaron's assistance in the Safe Routes to School, and Safe Streets Together Monterey County programs; and translating materials into Spanish. He also successfully managed a comprehensive Senior & Disabled grant award process.

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

1. Employee of the Qtr Apr -June -Aaron Hernandez

WEB ATTACHMENTS:



EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Aaron Hernandez

It is hereby certified that Aaron Hernandez, Transportation Planner, has been selected by his colleagues at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County as the Employee of the Quarter for April 1 – June 30, 2026.

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On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, it's our great pleasure to recognize Aaron Hernandez for his exemplary service.

Recognized By

Acknowledged By

TAMC Chair
Chaps Poduri

Executive Director
Todd A. Muck

Date: August 26, 2026

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Javier Hernandez, Principal Engineer
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: **Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Update**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Update:**

1. **RECEIVE** an update on the Adaptive Traffic Signal Control (ATSC) pilot project performance and Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project – Phase 1 traffic operations analyses and benefit-cost analysis results; and
2. **AUTHORIZE** staff to submit a Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) application to the California Transportation Commission for construction funding for Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project – Phase 1 (San Benancio Road, Corral De Tierra Road, and Laureles Grade Road).

SUMMARY:

Since the Board received the June project update, the team has collected additional field data to evaluate the performance of the ATSC pilot project. The team completed additional traffic operations analyses using observed traffic conditions following implementation of the adaptive signal system as the baseline condition. These analyses include greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions evaluation and a side street operational assessment. The team completed a benefit-cost analysis for the Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project – Phase 1: San Benancio Road, Corral De Tierra Road, and Laureles Grade intersections at SR 68.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The estimated funding plan for the Phase 1 Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project totals \$101.3 million and includes funding for design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction. Design activities are funded with \$9.9 million from the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Right-of-way acquisition is funded through a combination of \$6.2 million in STIP funds and \$15.6 million in Measure X funds. Construction is not currently funded and will require a combination of Measure X and grant funds totaling \$69.6 million. In addition to the Phase 1 project funding, the Adaptive Traffic Signal Control (ATSC) pilot project continues to operate under the previously approved \$1.2 million Measure X allocation and serves as the operational baseline for evaluating future corridor improvement investments.

DISCUSSION:

The goal of the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project remains to improve safety and mobility along the corridor while preserving its environmentally sensitive character. Phase I includes construction of hybrid roundabouts at San Benancio Road, Corral de Tierra Road, and Laureles Grade together with wildlife crossings. Caltrans continues to lead project development and is

coordinating with TAMC regarding future funding opportunities.

Since the June Board meeting, additional field data has been collected from the Adaptive Traffic Signal Control pilot project using Miovision traffic analytics. The observed data indicate that adaptive signal control has improved peak-period corridor operations and increased traffic throughput at key intersections compared with pre-adaptive conditions. The field observations also provide additional validation of the VISSIM traffic simulation model used to evaluate future improvement alternatives.

Additional traffic modeling has been completed using the adaptive signal system as the baseline condition. The refreshed analysis confirms the conclusions presented previously: while adaptive signal control provides measurable operational improvements, the proposed Phase I roundabouts are expected to provide additional long-term benefits by increasing intersection throughput, reducing queue duration, improving corridor reliability, and further reducing peak-period travel times where congestion currently occurs.

Observed field data also indicate that adaptive signal control generally prioritizes traffic progression along the SR 68 mainline during peak periods. As a result, increased delays have been observed for vehicles entering from side streets during the peak hours. This operational trade-off is consistent with the objectives of adaptive signal control and has been incorporated into the updated evaluation.

An environmental assessment indicates that the Phase I roundabouts are also expected to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by decreasing vehicle idling, reducing stop-and-go conditions, and shortening the duration of recurring congestion during peak travel periods.

A benefit-cost analysis has been completed for the proposed Phase I roundabouts project. The benefit-cost analysis was prepared using a Microsoft spreadsheet model that incorporates methodologies and benefit values from the U.S. Department of Transportation's (USDOT) 2026 Benefit-Cost Analysis Guidance and Caltrans' Cal-B/C model. The USDOT guidance provides a nationally recognized framework for evaluating the economic benefits and costs of transportation investments, while the Cal-B/C model, developed by Caltrans' Transportation Economics Branch, is used to evaluate projects seeking state transportation funding. By incorporating both methodologies, the analysis provides a consistent approach for assessing project benefits under state and federal funding evaluation practices. The analysis considers travel time savings, safety improvements, vehicle operating costs, environmental benefits, and other transportation system impacts as shown below:

Benefit Cost Analysis Summary:

Benefits		Cost	
Travel Time Savings	\$159.8 Million	Project Approval & Environmental Document	\$11.5 Million
Collision Reduction	\$99.6 Million	Plans, Specifications & Estimate	\$9.9 Million
Wildlife Crossing Crash Reduction	\$6.6 Million	Right of Way	\$21.7 Million
Emission Reduction	\$0.6 Million	Construction	\$69.6 Million
Operations and Maintenance Disbenefit	(-\$2.0 Million)		
Total	\$266.5 Million	Total	\$112.7 Million
Net Present Value	\$116.8 Million	Net Present Value	\$100.2 Million

The results indicate a net 1.17 Benefit Cost Ratio and reaffirms that the proposed roundabouts continue to provide the greatest long-term benefit to the corridor and support continued advancement of the project.

Based on the updated field observations, refreshed traffic analysis, and Benefit-Cost Analysis, staff recommends the board authorize staff to work with Caltrans to submit a Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) application to the California Transportation Commission for construction funding for the Scenic State Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project – Phase 1: hybrid roundabouts at San Benancio Road, Corral de Tierra Road, and Laureles Grade.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[USDOT Benefit Cost Analysis Guidance](#)
[Caltrans Benefit Cost Analysis Guidance](#)

Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Aaron Hernandez, Associate Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: August 26, 2026
Subject: Regional Development Impact Fee 2026 Nexus Study Update

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**2026 Regional Development Impact Fee - Nexus Study Update:**

1. **RECEIVE** update on the 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study; and
2. **PROVIDE** direction on the structure of the benefit zones and coverage of eligible project costs.

SUMMARY:

The Transportation Agency is required to update the Regional Development Impact Fee every eight years. This process includes reviewing the land use and population assumption in the regional travel demand model, forecasting future travel demands, updating the project list as necessary to meet those demands, revising project costs, and developing an updated fee schedule. Staff will provide an update on additional fee per trip analysis conducted following the June 2026 board meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Kimley-Horn was awarded a contract of \$98,979.90. to conduct the 2026 Regional Impact Fee Nexus Study Update. Item 3.6.1 of this agenda packet also includes an amendment to increase the overall not-to-exceed amount for Kimley-Horn to \$117,980. In the past analysis, the Regional Development Impact Fee was projected to generate \$137 million up to year 2035, with one-percent of these revenues reimbursing the agency's administrative expenses.

DISCUSSION:

The Regional Development Impact Fee program was adopted by the Transportation Agency Board of Directors and all participating jurisdictions, going into effect in August 2008. Under the Joint Powers Agreement and state law, the Agency must complete a major update to the fee program every eight years.

In February 2025, the TAMC Board selected Kimley-Horn to lead the technical update, reflecting changes over the past eight years such as: population changes, employment and housing projections utilized in the regional travel forecast model, development trends, land use plans, project needs and costs, and population growth changes. The study also includes a safety-based analysis focused on the Agency's Vision Zero High Injury Network.

At the June 2026 TAMC Board meeting, Kimley-Horn and TAMC staff presented to the board the technical work they had conducted through the past year and a half on the nexus study update, including work coordinated with staff and the Technical Advisory Committee. With feedback from the

Technical Advisory Committee, the draft project list (**attached**) brings the 2026 total project cost to an increase of about \$1.12 billion, up from \$950 million from the 2018 update. This total cost does not include Project #3 and #7 as these two projects no longer have a nexus that could be established. New development is only responsible for paying its share of impacts (new trips starting or ending in Monterey County), so the maximum amount of fees that the program can collect is about \$350 million, compared to \$137 million identified in 2018.

The calculation of an updated rate schedule also accounts for the trip growth in Monterey County by using the AMBAG Regional Travel Demand Model. In 2018, the estimated trip growth along project corridors was estimated at 320,960 trips, but in 2026 the new estimate comes out to 134,851. As pulled from the AMBAG 2026 Regional Transportation Plan and Travel Demand Model, projected growth of new trips is lower than expected. This effect is seen across the state as, according to the California Department of Finance, statewide 2050 population projects are down 10 million compared to estimates in 2016. This is due to overall trends in lower population growth, reduced household construction, high housing costs, and slower in-migration.

The nature of higher project costs and lower than expected trip growth, increases the cost per trip for new development. The table below shows a comparison of the changes between the 2018 and 2026 nexus study estimates along with a breakdown by benefit zones:

	North County (Zone 1)	Greater Salinas (Zone 2)	Peninsula-South Coast (Zone 3)	South County (Zone 4)	Total
2026 Trip Growth	6,347	45,587	70,979	11,938	134,851
2026 Eligible Cost	\$20,720,294	\$156,463,387	\$119,788,093	\$35,923,804	\$332,895,578
2026 Fee per Trip	\$3,625	\$3,432	\$1,688	\$3,009	\$2,469
2018 Trip Growth	24,310	83,289	130,491	82,870	320,960
2018 Total Eligible Cost	\$9,777,199	\$28,747,544	\$54,163,166	\$16,261,652	\$108,949,561
2018 Fee per Trip	\$402	\$345	\$415	\$196	\$339

As discussed in the June 2026 TAMC Board meeting, Board members provided feedback on the possibility of removing the benefit zones that historically established how collected fees get distributed throughout the county. The benefit zones were established so that fees collected from each zone would have more weight in funding projects that are within that same zone. The removal of the benefit zones to a single zone system would apply an average fee per trip of \$2,469 to all new developments, no matter their location in Monterey County. Despite either zone system, the overall fee per trip increases for all of Monterey County than what was established in 2018.

The impact fee program ensures that new development pays a proportionate share of the transportation improvements needed to accommodate the additional travel demand it generates. Fees are assessed based on land use type, with more intensive uses that generate higher numbers of vehicle trips paying higher fees, and less intensive uses paying lower fees commensurate with their impacts. Residential development is further categorized into single-family homes, condominiums, townhomes, and apartments, with fee levels adjusted to reflect differences in trip generation among housing types. In addition, residential fees are modified based on affordability levels, with separate market-rate, moderate-income, and low-income categories to recognize variations in housing characteristics and support housing affordability objectives.

The current fee program provides discounts for new developments to offset their costs and the 2026 nexus study update will include new discount options for consistency with state law. The regional development impact fee program applies a discount to local jurisdictions who are already collecting fees, so to not double charge traffic fees. Developments in Marina, Salinas and Soledad are eligible for said discounts of 11.62%, 45.6% and 49.19% respectively. All incorporated jurisdictions have a 10% discount on regional fees if a project is built in an infill area. Developers qualify for a fee credit if the developers pay directly for a regional improvement or for the demolishing of existing uses on their property. In the 2018 update, TAMC implemented a discount for Accessory Dwelling Unit construction (ADUs). ADUs that are higher than 750 square feet are only charged to the proportionate size of the primary home while ADUs less than 750qft are waived from paying the regional fee. Lastly, with the recent passage of AB 179, local agencies cannot charge fees for affordable housing developments.

Staff seeks to receive direction from the Board on whether to continue with the 4 Benefit Zone framework or to revert to a Single Benefit Zone Framework. Staff also seeks direction on whether to charge the maximum eligible project cost of \$350 million or to reduce it to a lower amount. A reduced amount is possible by removing projects or reducing the amount of fee charged on the existing project list.

Based on the feedback received, a public hearing on the draft fee schedule is planned as early as the September Board meeting, with final adoption on the October Board meeting. Thereafter, the final report and updates fees will be circulated for review and approval by the cities and the County.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2026 RDIF Project List

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

Draft 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Project List

No.	Project Name	Description
1	Salinas Road Improvements	Capacity improvements to Salinas Road from Werner Road to Elkhorn Road; install intersection control device and construct intersection improvements at Salinas Road/Werner Road intersection; install intersection control device on Elkhorn road at Salinas Road. Re-align Salinas Road and Werner Road to intersect Elkhorn Road at a single location with an intersection control device.
2	G12 San Miguel Canyon Corridor Project	Operational and capacity improvements, including road widening, turning lanes, signalization and intersection improvements, and bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Refer to project area 1 to 6 of the G12 Pajaro to Prunedale Corridor Study (Two Project Areas are listed individually as MYC311 & MYC313)
3	Russell Rd Widening	Widen Street from US 101 to San Juan Grade Rd
4	US 101 - Salinas Corridor	Widen US 101 to 6 lanes and/or auxiliary lanes within city limits of City of Salinas where feasible
5	US 101 - South of Salinas Improvements	Purpose of this project is to improve safety by closing the center median eliminating turning movements at 11 existing at-grade intersections, relocating/reconstructing the existing Abbott Street interchange, relocating/reconstructing the Chualar Main Street interchange, and providing necessary frontage roads to allow access to existing residences, businesses, and farms. Frontage roads along US 101 south of Salinas (Abbott Street on/off ramp) and related intersection improvements will also enhance bicycle and pedestrian mobility and facilitate transit access
6	Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening	Replace an existing two-lane, low-level bridge with an high-level four-lane bridge. Widen Davis Road to four lanes from Blanco and Reservation Roads. (PW&F)
7	Salinas-Marina Multimodal Corridor	Construct multimodal Bus Rapid Transit Improvements between Salinas and Marina, including a multimodal transit corridor through the former Fort Ord in Marina

Draft 2026 Regional Development Impact Fee Project List

8	SR-1 Corridor & Busway	Capacity and operational improvements to State Route 1 corridor from Fremont Ave to at least Canyon Del Rey and make interchange and related local road improvements in the vicinity of the intersections of Canyon Del Rey and Fremont Avenues; includes rapid bus corridor.
9	Del Monte Corridor	Add eastbound lane from El Estero to Sloat Ave.
10	Holman Highway Safety Improvements	Make safety and operational improvements to Holman Highway in Pacific Grove and Monterey; includes bicycle, pedestrian and traffic safety and ADA improvements.
11	Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvements	Make intersection and other operational improvements to increase safety and improve traffic flow from Salinas to Monterey. (Phase 1, three (3) easternmost intersections (San Benancio, Corral de Tierra and Laureles Grade).
12	US 101/5th Street Interchange	Install roundabouts at on and off ramps
13	SR 156 - Castroville Boulevard Interchange	Construction new interchange for SR 156 and Castroville Boulevard/Blackie Road. (related to CT022 and CT023)
14	US 101 - Alvin Drive overpass/underpass and Bypass	Construct overpass/underpass and 4 lane street structure.
15	SR 218 - Operational Improvements and Complete Streets	Add bicycle and pedestrian enhancements, turn pockets, signal and operational improvements, shoulder widening, and Zero Emission Vehicle chargers



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CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS									
	Project	Location & Post Mile (PM)	Description	Estimated Construction Timeline	Construction Capital Cost	Funding Source	Project Manager	Contractor	Comments
C1	SR 1 Soda Springs Drainage (1T240)	On Route 1 from 4.0 Miles North of the San Luis Obispo/Monterey County Line. (MON-1-4.1/4.2)	Clean drainage. Replace riser. Install overflow culvert	Jan 2026 – Sep 2026	\$461,000	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Brough Construction	Construction complete.
	SR 1 Paul's Slide Catchment Cleanout (1T230)	On Route 1 one Mile North of the Limekiln Creek Bridge. (MON-1-22/22.2)	Clean catchment	Oct 2025 – Dec 2026	\$370,000	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Souza Construction	Construction in progress
	SR 1 Big Creek Tieback Wall (1K010)	Near Lucia south of Big Creek Bridge (MON-1-27.5/27.7)	Construct tieback wall, restore roadway and facilities, place Water Pollution Control BMPs, and erosion control	June 2026 – Jan 2029	\$7.3 million	SHOPP	Meg Henry	Granite Construction Company	PDT Preconstruction meeting held 8/3/26.
	SR 1 Regent's Slide (1R640)	In Monterey County 0.3 mile south of the Big Creek Bridge (MON-1-27.8)	Remove slide material. Restore roadway.	Jan 2024 – Oct 2026	\$31 million	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Papich Construction	HWY 1 access restored. Core construction is complete, with minor activates ongoing. Intermittent 1 way reversing traffic control
	SR 1 Coastlands II Wall Permanent Restoration (1P210)	Near Big Sur at 1.1 Miles south of Pfeiffer Canyon Bridge (MON-1-44.34)	Construct soldier pile wall	Jan 2026 – Nov 2027	\$3.2 million	SHOPP	Ryan Caldera	Granite Rock Construction	Construction in progress. Temporary one-way traffic signal in place.
	SR 1 Pfeiffer Canyon Mitigation (1K080)	At Pfeiffer Canyon Bridge (MON-1-45.4)	Environmental mitigation (planting, erosion control) for project EA 05-1J130.	April 2023 – Jan 2027	\$200,000	SHOPP	Aaron Wolfram	BF Contracting Engineering	3 Year Plant Establishment ongoing. Contractor has been neglecting required work, requiring CT to take corrective action.

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C7	SR 1 Big Sur North (1Q800)	In Monterey County, Near Big Sur, From 0.9 Mile south of Castro Canyon Bridge to 0.3 Mile south of Carmel River Bridge (MON-1-44.7/69.81)	Storm Damage Repairs	Jan 2023 - Sept 2026	\$25.4 million	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Granite Rock Construction	Construction in progress. Intermittent one-way reversing traffic control.
C8	SR 1 Point Sur Drainage Repairs (1T210)	In Monterey County on Route 1 From 2 to 6 miles South of the Little Sur River Bridge (MON-1-50/54)	Replace four culverts	Oct 2025 – Oct 2026	\$461,000	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Granite Rock Construction	Construction complete.
C9	SR 1 Point Sur Embankment Failure (2A050)	In Monterey County 0.5 to 1.9 miles north of the Little Sur River Bridge (MON-1-54.2/55.6)	Traffic control, temporary slope stabilization	Feb 2026 – Sep 2026	\$2,179,000	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Top Tier Grading	Construction in progress. Temporary one-way traffic signal in place.
C10	SR 1 Rocky Creek Bridge ECE (1Q160)	In Monterey County at Rocky Creek Bridge (MON-1-60.0)	Bridge Preventative Maintenance	Jan 2026 – May 2028	\$9.1 million	SHOPP	Aaron Wolfram	American Civil Constructors West Coast (ACC)	Construction in progress. Temporary one-way traffic signal in place.
C11	SR 1 Castroville Embankment Repair (2A120)	In Monterey County near Castroville (MON-1-R90.38/R90.84)	Repair erosion. Clear/replace/inst all down drains. Replace dike. Clear debris from recreational trail.	May 2026- Dec 2026	\$350,000	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Top Tier Grading	Construction in progress
C12	SR 1 Flooding Response (1Q960)	In Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties from Approximately 1 mile North and South of the Pajaro River Bridge (MON-1-100.5/R102.032)	Storm Damage Repairs	March 2023- Oct 2026	\$1.85 million	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Teichert Construction	Construction in progress.

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C13	SR 68 Drainage Improvements (1J880)	From west of Sunset Dr to Toro Park (MON-68-0.2/15.7)	Drainage improvement, replace lighting, and install count stations	March 2026 – Aug 2028	\$8 million	SHOPP	Mark Leichtfuss	PS&E	Construction in progress
	US 101 Market Street (2A170)	In Salinas on Route 101 at the Southbound East Market Onramp (MON-101-87.2/87.3)	Modify drainage to resolve low spot, repair embankment and traffic control.	May 2026– Sept 2026	\$360,000	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Precision Grading	Construction in progress
C15	US 101 Monterey Drainage (1J890)	In and near King City, Greenfield, Soledad, Gonzales, and Salinas, from Paris Valley Road Overcrossing to Dunbarton Road (MON-101-R28.23/100.3)	Rehabilitate drainage systems, replace overhead signs and structures, and update TMS elements	Jan 2026 – Feb 2027	\$14.1 Million	SHOPP MAJOR	Mark Leichtfuss	A. TEICHERT & SON, INC.	Construction in progress.
C16	US 101 King City CAPM (1K440)	Near King City from Jolon Road undercrossing to Lagomarsino Ave (MON-101-R41.9/R49.8)	Pavement Preservation, TMS Elements, Lighting, and Drainage	Feb 2026 – Mar 2028	\$27 million	SHOPP	Mark Leichtfuss	Granite Construction Company	Construction in progress
C17	US 101 Prunedale Drainage (1H691)	At and near Prunedale between 0.4 mile north of Crazy Horse Canyon Overcrossing and 1.1 mile south of San Juan Road Overcrossing (MON-101-98.8/100.3)	Drainage System Rehabilitation	June 2025 – April 2026	\$6.8 million	SHOPP MAJOR	Aaron Wolfram	Precision Grade Construction	Project transitioning to plant establishment. Construction site work completed.
C18	SR 183 Castroville Improvement Project (1H650)	Community of Castroville from Del Monte Ave. to Washington St (MON-183-R8.3/9.98)	Rehabilitate pavements, repair bridge, and improve pedestrians & bicycle and ADA facilities	May 2025 – Dec 2027	\$20.3 million	SHOPP	Jackson Ho	Granite Construction Company	Construction in progress. Ongoing traffic control in place.

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C19	SR 218 FORTAG Bike Trail (1M570)	Located in the City of Seaside (MON-218- 0.1/1.5)	Construct Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail. The project provides a safe alternative to Hwy 218 from Del Rey Woods Elementary to Laguna Grande Regional Park	May 2024 – Nov 2026	\$1.2 million	100% Locally Funded	Kelli Hill	Granite Rock	Construction in progress.
	SR 1 and US 101 Sbt, MON Drainage Repairs (1S520)	In Monterey County on SR 1 and San Benito County at various locations	Replace culvert	Feb 2025 – Aug 2026	\$461,000	SHOPP	Victor Devens	Brough Construction	Construction complete. Project to be removed after the August Meeting.
	Mud Creek (2A300)	In Monterey County on Route 1, from 2 to 0.5 miles South of Gorda (MON-1-8.5/9.5)	Realign roadway. Rockfall mitigation. Geotechnical instrumentation.	July 2026 – July 2027	\$6.154 million	SHOPP MAJOR	Victor Devens	Granite Construction Company	Construction in progress. One way reversing traffic control.

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PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT									
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D1	SR 1 Mud Creek Permanent Restoration (1K020)	In Monterey County 0.8 miles north of Alder Creek Bridge to 1.2 miles north of Alder Creek Bridge (MON-1-8.7/9.1)	Enhancements and improvements to address post emergency items.	N/A	\$2.8 million	SHOPP MAJOR	Ryan Caldera	PS&E/RW	Total funding available was not sufficient to award the project, even after reducing scope items. The District rejected all bids and will not pursue further development. Current conditions of the slide are under evaluation, after which the District will identify next steps. Director's Order (05-2A300) to perform slide removal, realign the roadway, repair of the drapery mesh, and install an electronic monitoring system to track the slide. To be removed after the September meeting.
	SR 1 Quigil Viaduct Permanent Restoration (1R600)	In Monterey County, near Lucia, at 0.1 mile south of the Limekiln Creek Bridge (MON-001-20.8/20.8)	Construct viaduct and replace guardrail to meet Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH) standards	Summer 2028 – Summer 2030	\$14.7 million	SHOPP	Ryan Caldera	PS&E	Viaduct design is underway.
	SR 1 Limekiln Creek Bridge Replacement (1F510)	In Monterey County from south of Limekiln Creek Bridge to just north of Limekiln Creek Bridge (MON-1-20.9-21.3)	Replace bridge	Fall 2028 – Winter 2030/31	\$96.2 million	SHOPP	Ryan Caldera	PS&E	Design continues. Geotechnical investigations are ongoing, with the next mobilization planned for September 2026.
	SR 1 Castro Canyon Bridge Rail Upgrade (1H490)	At Castro Canyon Bridge (MON-1-43.12)	Replace bridge rail	TBD	\$2.5 million	SHOPP	Meg Henry	PS&E/RW	Still on hold due to legal issues with ATT. Trial date was recently continued to September 2026.
	Rocky Creek Bridge Rail Replacement (1Q140)	Near Carmel-By-The-Sea at Rocky Creek Bridge (MON-1-60/60.1)	Replace bridge rail	Summer 2029 – Fall 2030	\$13.1 million	SHOPP	Aaron Wolfram	PA&ED	Project team is developing the Draft Environmental Document and Draft Project Report for public circulation. NOP released on 2/13/2026.

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D6	SR 1 Garrapata Creek Bridge Rail Replacement (1H800)	At Garrapata Creek Bridge (MON-1-63)	Bridge rail rehabilitation	Winter 2030/31 – Winter 31/32	\$13.1 million	SHOPP	Aaron Wolfram	PS&E	Project was re-programmed and will follow the Rocky Creek Bridge rail replacement; the team is working on revising project materials to reflect updated railing type. CDP application submitted to Mon Co for review and waiting on comments.
	SR 1 Jack's Peak CAPM (1N850)	On SR 1 from San Luis Ave. Intersection to the Sloat Ave. Undercrossing (MON-1-74.6/R77.6)	Preserve 11.815 lane miles of Class 2 pavement, rehab sign structure, replace sign panels, and roadside safety.	Spring 2028 – Spring 2029	\$17 million	SHOPP	Kristen Langager	PS&E	Final Project Report is complete and design is progressing. Coordinating with CCC on draft CDP application materials.
	SR 1 Marina to Castroville CAPM (1N160)	In Monterey County from .028 miles south of the S. Marina OH (44-211L) to the Hwy 1/156 Junction.	Pavement Preservation	Summer 2027- Spring 2029	\$18 Million	SHOPP	Aaron Wolfram	PS&E	Project is delayed for delivery and will be combined with 1K870. Construction to begin Summer 2027.
	SR 1 Moss Landing CAPM (1K870)	In Monterey County, from 0.1 miles south of Molera Rd interchange to the MON/SCr county line (MON-1-R90.98/R102.031)	Pavement Preservation	Summer 2027- Spring 2029	\$26 million	SHOPP	Aaron Wolfram	PS&E	Project was delayed, aligning with 1N160. The team intends to combine the 1N160 and 1K870 projects together at RTL to provide cost savings and less disruption during construction.
	SR 68 Corridor Improvements (1J791)	On State Route 68 from Josselyn Canyon Road to San Benancio Road. (MON-68-4.87-13.7)	Operational Improvements	Fall 2028 – Spring 2031	\$52.5 million	STIP & AUTHORIZED	Ryan Caldera	PS&E	Design, geotechnical investigation and right of way coordination continues. Team is waiting on updates from Caltrans HQ on potential SB 1 grant application partnering.

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D11	US 101 Bradley CAPM (1K880)	In Monterey County near Bradley, Nacimiento and San Miguel, from south of East Garrison Overcrossing to Jolon Road. (MON-101-R1.9/R9.7)	Replace bridges, rehabilitate pavement, reconstruct guardrail and drainage systems, and replace Transportation Management System (TMS) elements and signs.	Spring 2029 – Summer 2032	\$57.8 million	SHOPP	Mark Leichtfuss	PS&E	PS&E began Feb 2026.
	US 101 Bradley-San Ardo CAPM (1K490)	Near Bradley from 0.5 mile south of Jolon Road Undercrossing to San Ardo Undercrossing	Pavement preservation	Spring 2030 - Spring 2031	\$49.8 million	SHOPP	Mark Leichtfuss	PS&E	Project to be combined with 1M350; team working towards 95% constructability in Spring 2027.
	US 101 North San Ardo Rehab (1M350)	In Monterey County on Route 101 from the San Ardo Undercrossing to 0.1 miles south of Paris Valley Road Overcrossing. (MON-101-R30.6/R36.9)	Isolated slab replacement over 23.996 LM of Class 1 pavement and grind and replace AC shoulders. Replace 1 culvert at PM 26.28.	Spring 2030 - Spring 2031	\$38.6 million	SHOPP	Mark Leichtfuss	PS&E	Project to be combined with 1K490; team working towards 95% constructability in Spring 2027.
	US 101 South of Salinas Corridor Improvement Project (0H330)	On US 101 between Main Street in Chualar and Airport Blvd in Salinas (MON-101-77/85.6)	Upgrade existing expressway to freeway, relocate two interchanges and create frontage road system for corridor.	Summer 2031-Summer 2034	TBD	SHOPP	Meg Henry	PA&ED	Environmental studies ongoing. Hydraulics study ongoing. Advanced Planning Studies for preliminary structural design has been prepared for Chualar bridges and Abbott bridges. Five SOQs were received in response to the CMGC RFQ advertisement. , Target for CMGC candidate interviews is Oct 14. Efforts continue on SB1 cycle 5 application rounds.

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D15	US 101 South of Salinas Access Management Project (1S590)	On US 101 between Main Street in Chualar and Airport Blvd in Salinas (MON-101-77.858/84.371)	Implement access management strategies to reduce the number of crossing and left-turn movements on the US 101 corridor between Chualar and Salinas.	Winter 2026/27 - Fall 2027	\$5 million	SHOPP 010 Safety Project	Meg Henry	PS&E	Bid opening occurred on Aug 11. Lowest bid was 29% under engineer's estimate. Public messaging via email blast and social media posts started in April 2026 and will continue monthly until the median closure in early 2027.
D16	SR 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange (31601)	Castroville Boulevard and Highway 156 (MON-156-R1.6/1.4)	Construct a new interchange	Spring 2027 – Summer 2029	\$54.5 million	STIP, Measure X, Federal Demo	Chad Stoehr	PS&E/RW	Project has reached RTL, preparing for advertisement for construction bids late Summer through early Fall of 2026

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ATSC	Automated Traffic Signal Control	PDT	Project Development Team
CCO	Contract Change Order	PID	Project Initiation Document
CCSD	Castroville Community Service District	PS&E	Plans, Specifications, and Estimates
CDP	Costal Development Permit	SB1	Senate Bill, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017
CMGC	Construction Manager/General Contractor	SCL	Santa Clara County Line
CTC	California Transportation Commission	SHOPP	Statewide Highway Operation and Protection Program
CT	Caltrans	SR	State Route
DED	Draft Environmental Document	RFQ	Request for Qualifications
EIR	Environmental Impact Report	RTL	Ready To List
EP	Encroachment Permit	R/W or ROW	Right of Way
FED	Final Environmental Document	TCE	Temporary Construction Easement
OE	Office of Engineering	TMS	Traffic Management System
MASH	Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware	TSA	Traffic Safety Alliance
PA&ED	Project Approval and Environmental Document	UC	Under Crossing

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