

FINAL MINUTES

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS EMERGENCIES AND MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE JOINT POWERS AGENCY

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

*Members: Mary Adams (Chair), Michael LeBarre (1st Vice Chair),
Chris Lopez (2nd Vice Chair), Ed Smith (Past Chair),
Wendy Root Askew (County representative), Kimbley Craig (City representative)*

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

*** 8:30 a.m. ***

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	AUG 21	SEP 21	OCT 21	NOV 21	JAN 22	FEB 22	MAR 22	APR 22	MAY 22	JUN 22
Mary Adams, Chair Supr. Dist. 5 (S. Hardgrave, C. Courtney)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Michael LeBarre, 1st Vice Chair King City (C. DeLeon)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Chris Lopez, 2nd Vice Chair Supr. Dist. 3 (P. Barba)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)
Ed Smith, Past Chair Monterey (D. Albert, A. Renny)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	E	P (VC)	P (VC)	A	P
Wendy Root Askew, County Representative Supr. Dist. 4 (Y. Anderson)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	E	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)
Kimbley Craig, City Representative Salinas (C. Cromeenes)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)

TC: via teleconference; VC: via video conference

P = Present

A = Absent

P(A) = alternate present

E = Excused

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Adams called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

Staff present: Muck, Rodriguez, Strause, and Watson.

Others present: Janet Holmes, County Counsel; Paul Schlesinger and Jim Davenport, Thorn Run Partners; Gus Khouri, Khouri Consulting; Mason Clark, Museum of Handcar Technology.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment

3. CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Committee Member LeBarre, seconded by Committee Member Craig, the Committee voted 6-0 to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of May 4, 2022.

4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

On a motion by Committee Member Smith, seconded by Committee Member LeBarre, the Committee recommended that the Board of Directors change from an “oppose” to a “watch” position on Assembly Bill (AB) 1919 regarding free transit passes. The Committee received an update on State and Federal legislative issues.

Paul Schlesinger, Agency federal legislative consultant, reported that Rep. Panetta and Sen. Padilla both nominated the US 101 South of Salinas Auxiliary Lane Project for \$1 million in transportation appropriations funds. He noted that we should know if this project is included in the House bill in 2 weeks. Chair Adams expressed her gratitude for this excellent news.

Gus Khouri, Agency State Legislative Consultant, gave an update on the state budget and reviewed a handful of legislative bills that are being hotly debated in Sacramento that would have dramatic impacts on transportation funding.

Christina Watson, Director of Planning, noted that on AB 1919 Youth Transit Pass Pilot Program: free youth transit passes: eligibility for state funding, Monterey-Salinas Transit recommended an “oppose” position on the previous version of the bill, but is now okay

with a “watch” position. This bill is now an opt-in proposal, whereby transit agencies would petition Caltrans for grants.

5. MONTEREY BRANCH LINE RECREATIONAL USE LEASE TO CITY OF MARINA

The Committee discussed the terms for a City of Marina lease agreement for recreational use of the Monterey Branch Line corridor between Marina and Sand City in 2022.

Executive Director Todd Muck reported the Museum of Handcar Technology and the Mendocino Railway company proposed use of the same section of the Monterey Branch Line corridor for recreational use of handcar or railbike operations. During the March 23, 2022 TAMC Board meeting, the Board voted to enter into a lease agreement with the City of Marina to transfer coordination of the proposals for recreational use of the Monterey Branch Line to Marina staff. Director Muck noted that the City of Marina discussed this proposal last night at their Council meeting. He also noted that he has been working with Marina’s City Manager Layne Long on the terms of the agreement. The lease would be for 2 years, but cannot interrupt the Monterey-Salinas Transit SURF! Busway and Bus Rapid Transit project when it is ready to move forward; the lease would allow for a 60-day termination notice.

The Committee concurred that using TAMC’s Monterey Branch Line current leasing cost for the recreational use was appropriate.

6. TAMC BOARD DRAFT AGENDA

Executive Director Todd Muck reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of June 22, 2022. After Executive Committee discussion, direction was provided to staff to place the following items for consideration on the regular agenda:

- 2022 Regional Transportation Plan
- New Guidelines for Active Transportation Support Program

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee Member LeBarre commented that staff should consider changing the name of the Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee to the Active Transportation Committee, in line with current grant programs.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair LeBarre adjourned the meeting at 9:22 a.m.