## TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)

SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS AND EXPRESSWAYS

MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE

JOINT POWERS AGENCY

### Final Minutes of October 25, 2017 TAMC Board Meeting

Held at the

Agricultural Center Conference Room

1428 Abbott Street, Salinas

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*New member/alternate
1. **CALL TO ORDER**
   Chair Chavez called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m., and Board member Orozco led the pledge of allegiance.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
   Greg Molinari reported on behalf of MWM Investments and American Supply regarding the condemnation process for 21 Happ Place. He requested that an exchange of land for a portion of the warehouse be considered by the Board. He noted that the demand letter from the attorney was not on the October agenda. Mr. Molinari proposed that the land exchange would simplify the process and would be the parties meeting in the middle. In conclusion, he noted that MWM and American Supply want to work with the agency constructively.

   Arthur McLaughlin, representing Oak Hills Homeowners Association, expressed a concern with moving the Highway 156 widening agenda item to next month. He asked the Agency to consider a plan for four-roundabouts on Highway 156, as an alternative to a toll road.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**
   
   M/S/C Rubio/LeBarre/unanimous
   
   Item 3.4.1 was pulled by Board member Rubio for a question and Item 3.7.1 was pulled by Director Hale to remind Boardmembers that there was a revised version of the Executive Committee draft minutes on the dais. The Board approved the consent agenda, as follows.
ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET

3.1.1 Approved minutes of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County and the Joint Powers Agency for Monterey County meetings of September 27, 2017.

3.1.2 Accepted the list of checks written for September 2017 and credit card statements for the month of August 2017.

3.1.3 Approved Request for Proposals to solicit an audit firm to prepare annual Transportation Development Act compliance and audit reports for the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, the Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency and Transportation Safety and Investment Plan for a period of five years beginning fiscal year 2017-2018 through fiscal year 2021-2022, and direct staff to release the Request for Proposals to potential independent audit firms.

3.1.4 Regarding Disposition of Surplus Equipment:
   1. Approved Resolution 2017-24 declaring as surplus selected furniture, equipment, and computers; and
   2. Authorized the Executive Director to dispose of the surplus property in accordance with the Disposition of Surplus Property Policy, paragraph 4.

BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES

3.2.1 Regarding Measure X- Senior Disabled Transportation Program Guidelines:
   1. Adopted Measure X- Senior & Disabled Transportation Program Grant Guidelines; and
   2. Released call for projects.

3.2.2 Received the call for nominations for the seventeenth annual Transportation Agency Excellence awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County.

PLANNING

3.3.1 Received update on development of the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan.

PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING

3.4.1 Regarding Regional Surface Transportation Program Allocation:
   1. Approved the request by the County of Monterey to program $2,085,693 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds to the State Route 1 Climbing Lane Project;
   2. Approved programming the remaining balance of $328,261 in 2017 Regional Surface Transportation Program competitive funds to the State Route 1 Climbing Lane project; and
   3. Approved amending Exhibit A of the local funding agreement to include this project and funding.

Board member Rubio asked if there were any projects affected by programming the RSTP funds to the State Route 1 Climbing Lane project. Mike Zeller replied no, noting the $328,261 remaining in unprogrammed Regional Surface Transportation Program funds from the 2017 competitive grants cycle are proposed to be used on the State Route 1 Climbing Lane project.
RAIL PROGRAM

3.5.1 Approved contract amendment #2 with Meyers Nave to extend the term of the agreement for legal services for the Salinas Rail Extension project until December 31, 2018.

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3.6.1 No items this month.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

3.7.1 Accepted minutes from Transportation Agency committees:
  • Executive Committee – Draft October 4, 2017.
  • Rail Policy Committee – Meeting cancelled
  • Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory – Meeting cancelled
  • Technical Advisory Committee – Draft October 5, 2017.

3.7.2 Received selected correspondence sent and received by the Transportation Agency for October 2017.
4. **EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER**
   The Board recognized Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner as the Employee of the Quarter for July 1st – September 30, 2017.

   The Agency employees recognized Mike for having a great attitude, for his professionalism, diligence and for being the office tech and funding expert. Staff also recognized him for his phenomenal job of preparing Measure X Strategic Plan.

5. **CLOSED SESSION**
   The Board held a closed session regarding Public Employee Performance Evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section §54957 – Position: Executive Director and Legal Counsel.

   **RECONVENE**
   The Committee reconvened in open session and Chair Chavez reported that the Board was given direction, noting that the comments for both positions were positive.

6. **DRAFT 2017 MEASURE X STRATEGIC EXPENDITURE PLAN**
   The Board received the draft 2017 Measure X Strategic Expenditure Plan and Five-Year Integrated Funding Plan.

   Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the draft 2017 Measure X Strategic Expenditure Plan identifies the projects and the potential to leverage Measure X funds at a rate of 2.2 times in the proposed five-year *Integrated Funding Plan.* “The ability to leverage funds along with debt financing will allow Measure X projects to be delivered as quickly as possible, making them more cost-effective while reducing overall expenses.

   Included in the presentation was a summary of the outcome of the Board’s September strategic planning session, in which they outlined four goals that should be considered when implementing Measure X projects:
   - project delivery
   - maximizing leveraging
   - new approaches (technology, tolling, forward thinking)
   - communications to the board and public.

   Staff considered five guiding principles in the development of the draft Strategic Expenditure Plan, The Board also developed a list of five prioritization criteria:
   1. project readiness
   2. ability to leverage matching funds
   3. fair geographic distribution of funds
   4. project need: congestion relief and safety benefits
   5. cost effectiveness & system connectivity

   Board member Rubio commented that he was happy with most of the plan, but requested that the Highway 1 Bus on Shoulder project be included in the 5-year plan. Mr. Zeller indicated that TAMC will coordinate with MST on the timing of that project and include it next meeting. In addition, Mr. Zeller clarified that the Multimodal Corridor project is just the Imjin Road segment at this time. Board member Edelen observed that 10 out of 12 projects leverage matching funds, indicating how important being a
self-help county is. In response to a question from Board member Huitt, Mr. Zeller noted that the Safe Routes to School Program will be added to the plan to be presented at the December Board meeting. Board member Adams encouraged everyone to get the word out to the public as to how much this program of project depends on leveraging SB 1 funding. In response to a question from Board ex officio Sabo, Mr. Zeller stated that the SR 68 Monterey to Salinas corridor is later in the program because it does not yet have an environmental document, while the 156 improvements has an adopted document for all features except the tolling impacts.

7. STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND 2018 PROGRAM

M/S/C Rubio/Bodem/unanimous
The Board received a State Legislative update and approved releasing the draft 2018 Legislative Program to Committees for comment.

Agency Legislative Analyst Gus Khouri gave a brief update on state legislative activities and the two bills of interest to TMC. The TMC-sponsored legislation AB 696 (Caballero): Department of Transportation for the Prunedale Bypass disposition of excess properties, passed both houses but was vetoed by the Governor on October 4, 2017. He also noted that SB 477 (Canella) intercity rail corridor and extensions is on the suspense file in the Assembly Appropriations committee, and is nominally “dead” pending discussions among the bills’ supporters. Mr. Khouri commented that he thinks the Agency is well positioned for matching funding considering the recent passage of Measure X.

Vice Chair Phillips expressed concern on AB 696, noting this is the second time this bill has been vetoed by the Governor. Mr. Khouri recommended that TMC wait to reintroduce the bill until the next Gubenatorial administration, potentially in 2019.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reviewed the highlights of the draft 2018 Legislative Program.

8. REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS

Caltrans – Tim Gubbins, Caltrans District 5 Director, reported on the celebration for the re-opening of the Pfeiffer Canyon Bridge in Big Sur and showed a short presentation on the bridge reconstruction. He reported that already, SB1 has allowed the California Transportation Commission to approve ninety projects state. Caltrans Mile Marker is a quarterly publication that provides a transparent, plain language accounting of Caltrans’ Performance and is available at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/milemarker/.

Board member Adams thanked Caltrans for their quick response and dedication in rebuilding Pfeiffer Canyon Bridge in record time.

Monterey Regional Airport District – Bill Sabo reported that the Airport is doing well, keeping flights and carriers. The Airport is still in negotiations with American Airlines to add service to Seattle. In conclusion, he reminded the Board to “Fly Monterey”.

Monterey-Salinas Transit District – Hunter Harvath announced MST released a Request for Proposal for a South County Transit analysis to improve service in south county, also MST is celebrating 15-years of service in South County. Mr. Harvath also announced free ridership the “forties” lines in Salinas on the weekend due to Cap and Trade funding. Lastly, he announced MST is hiring drivers, more information is available at www.mst.org.

Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District – None this month.
9. REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY BOARD MEMBERS
None this month.

10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
   • Director Debbie Hale welcomed new employee Rich Deal, Principal Engineer to TAMC staff.
   • Holman Highway 68 roundabout ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on October 12th.
   • Call for nominations for the seventeenth annual Transportation Agency Excellence Awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups or project for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County.
   • No meeting in November, the next meeting will be held on December 6, 2017.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS
   Board member Smith announced an Emergency Response seminar on November 9, 2017 at the Embassy Suites, and encouraged everyone to attend.

12. ADJOURNMENT
   Chair Chavez adjourned the meeting at 11:16 a.m.