

**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 are: Alejandro Chavez (Chair),  
John Phillips (1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair), Robert Huitt (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair),  
Kimbley Craig (Past Chair),  
Luis Alejo (County representative), Ed Smith (City representative)*

**Wednesday, November 1, 2017**

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

Transportation Agency Conference Room  
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Chavez called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Committee members present: Chavez, Craig, Huitt, Phillips and Gonzales (alternate to Alejo). Staff present: Goel, Hale, Muck, Rodriguez, Watson, Wright and Zeller. Others present: Agency Counsel Blich; and MacGregor Eddy, The Californian “We Could Car Less” columnist. Committee member Alejo arrived after the consent agenda.
  
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

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3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**  
On a motion by Committee member Huitt and seconded by Craig, the committee voted 5-0 to approve the consent agenda as follows:
    - 3.1 Approved minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of October 4, 2017, as amended to note Chair Chavez arrived after the consent agenda.
    - 3.2 Recommended that the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board approve Calendar year 2018 schedule of meetings for Agency Board of Directors and Executive Committee.

**END OF CONSENT**

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**4. EX OFFICIO MEMBERSHIP FOR CAL STATE MONTEREY BAY:**

On a motion by Committee member Craig and seconded by Huitt, the committee voted 5-0 to approve the Agency does not add another “voting” member to the Board.

On a motion by Committee member Alejo and seconded by Vice Chair Phillips, the committee voted 3-2 to add a member of CSUMB as a non-voting member and to amend the Agency Bylaws to reflect this change.

Noes: Craig and Huitt

The Committee considered the request from California State University at Monterey Bay to be added as a member of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board of Directors either as a seventh-ex officio member, or as a replacement of City of Watsonville.

Chair Chavez reported that he had met with Oscar Rios the Mayor of Watsonville, and it was clear that he wanted to continue having a seat on the Agency Board, noting that the Pajaro Station partnership is crucial for Watsonville. Vice Chair Phillips expressed his support for the City of Watsonville’s continued seat, noting Watsonville connects with his district.

Committee member Alejo thanked Chair Chavez for meeting with Mayor Rios, and concurred with Phillips that the City of Watsonville should continue to sit on the Agency Board as an ex-officio member. He also expressed his support for a CSUMB seat on the Board as a non-voting member, noting they have an important voice and add a lot of value to our Board.

The Committee voted to ask the Executive Director to ask President Ochoa if he would be willing to accept a non-voting ex officio seat for CSUMB, and if so, to place the matter before the full TAMC Board for its consideration.

**5. DRAFT AGENCY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:**

The Committee reviewed the draft Agency goals and objectives and recommended that they be forwarded to the Board of Directors for its approval.

Executive Director Hale reported at the September Board meeting that the Transportation Agency held a workshop to update the Agency's goals and objectives in light of the approval of Measure X and the availability of new SB 1 monies from the State.

Consultant Terry Feinberg interviewed Board members prior to the workshop, and based on the discussion at the workshop, Mr. Feinberg prepared the draft goals and objectives and reviewed them with staff. The four new proposed goals are:

- Deliver projects
- Maximize funding
- Communicate early and often
- Prepare for the future

Board members Craig and Huitt commented that Mr. Feinberg did an excellent job synthesizing the discussion into an updated set of goals and objectives.

**6. THREE YEAR BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 18/19, 19/20, AND 20/21**

The Committee provided direction and guidance to staff on the assumptions for the three-year operating budget for fiscal years 18/19, 19/20, and 20/21.

Rita Goel, Director of Finance & Administration, highlighted the proposed three-year budget assumptions for fiscal years 18/19, 19/20, and 20/21. She reported that the Agency budget separates expenditures into two types: operating and direct programs. Operating expenditures include staff salaries and benefits, materials and supplies, and equipment purchases. Direct program expenditures include outside consultants, contracts, expenditures that apply to specific project delivery tasks such as rail program, highway projects, bicycle and pedestrian program. Changes to the budget from the prior year are primarily due to full implementation of Measure X, as well as work on the two new corridor studies, and activities related to new construction at the Salinas Intermodal Station.

Director Goel noted next steps will be that the draft budget will go to the Executive Committee in January or February 2018 and to the Board in February. Final budget adoption will be in May, 2018.

**7. NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

On a motion by Committee member Huitt and seconded by Vice Chair Phillips, the committee voted 4-0, with Committee member Craig abstaining, to recommend that the Transportation Agency for Monterey County appoint Board members Craig and Parker as the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will meet and return to the Board of Directors on January 24, 2018 with recommendations for Board Chair, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair and Executive Committee to serve one-year terms beginning upon their election through the next election of officers at the beginning of the January 23, 2019 Board meeting.

**8. CLOSED SESSION**

The Committee 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 Agency Counsel Blich reported that Chair Chavez and Vice Chair Phillips will discuss the Executive Directors proposed salary adjustment and make a recommendation to the Board. Also, Board Chair Chavez will meet with Executive Director Hale to discuss her evaluation.

**9. TAMC DRAFT AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 25, 2017**

Executive Director Hale reviewed the highlights of the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of December 6, 2017. She reported on some of the items on the agenda:

- Hold a Closed Session regarding the Executive Director’s Evaluation.
- Receive the State Route 156 West Corridor Level 2 Traffic and Revenue Study and provide direction on potential alternatives to fund construction of the SR 156 project.
- Release a draft 2018 Regional Transportation Plan
- Review and adopt the Agency goals and objectives.

**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None this month.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Chavez adjourned the meeting at 10:49 a.m.