

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)  
SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS AND EXPRESSWAYS  
MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE  
JOINT POWERS AGENCY**

**Final Minutes of December 6, 2017 TAMC Board Meeting**

Held at the  
Agricultural Center Conference Room  
1428 Abbott Street, Salinas

<b>TAMC BOARD MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEC 16</b>	<b>JAN 17</b>	<b>FEB 17</b>	<b>MAR 17</b>	<b>APR 17</b>	<b>MAY 17</b>	<b>JUN 17</b>	<b>AUG 17</b>	<b>SEP 17</b>	<b>OCT 17</b>	<b>DEC 17</b>
L. Alejo, Supr. Dist. 1- (L. Gonzales)	P	P*	P*	P*	P*	P*	P	P	P	P	P
J. Phillips, Supr. Dist. 2, <b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</b> (J. Stratton)	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
S. Salinas, Supr. Dist. 3 (C. Lopez, P. Barba)	P	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P
J. Parker, Supr. Dist. 4 (W. Askew)	P	E	P	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P
M. Adams, Supr. Dist 5 - (Y. Anderson)	P	P*	P*	P(A*)	P*	P*	P	P	P	P	P
C. Hardy, Carmel-by-the-Sea (S. Dallas)	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
J. Edelen, Del Rey Oaks (K. Clark)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Orozco, Gonzales (J. Lopez, R. Bonoc)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P
L. Santibanez, Greenfield	-	-	-	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	E
M. LeBarre, King City (C. Victoria)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
B. Delgado, Marina (F. O'Connell)	-	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P
E. Smith, Monterey (R. Deal)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P
R. Huitt, Pacific Grove - <b>2nd Vice Chair</b> (C. Garfield)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P
K. Craig, Salinas - <b>immediate Past Chair</b> (J. Gunter)	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P
T. Bodem, Sand City (L. Gomez)	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Rubio, Seaside (D. Pacheco)	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	-	P	P
A. Chavez, Soledad - <b>Chair</b> (F. Ledesma)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Twomey, AMBAG (H. Adamson, <del>B. Patel</del> )	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	-	P(A)
T. Gubbins, Caltrans, Dist. 5 ( <del>A. Loe, O. Monroy Ochoa, J. Olejnik,</del> )	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P	P(A)
R. Stedman, Monterey Bay Air Resources District ( <del>A. Romero, D. Frisbey</del> )	-	P	-	-	P	P(A)	E	P	-	-	P
B. Sabo, Monterey Peninsula Airport District	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	P	P
C. Sedoryk, MST ( <del>M. Hernandez, H. Harvath, L. Rheinheimer</del> )	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P
O. Rios, Watsonville (F. Hernandez)	-	P(A)	P	P	P	P	E	-	P	P	P

\*New member/alternate

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D. Delfino, Finance Officer/Analyst	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Deal, Principal Engineer										P	P
R. Goel, Dir. Finance & Administration	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
A. Green, Transportation Planner	E	E	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
D. Hale, Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
G. Leonard, Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Muck, Deputy Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
V. Murillo, Assistant Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
H. Myers, Sr. Trans. Planning Engineer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
S. Blicht, Legal Counsel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P*	P*
E. Rodriguez, Senior Admin. Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
L. Terry, Accountant Assistant	P	E	E	E	E	E	P	E	E	E	P
C. Watson, Principal Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Wright, Community Outreach	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
M. Zeller, Senior Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Michael Martinez	Access Monterey Peninsula	Eric Petersen	Salinas resident
Alex Vasquez	Access Monterey Peninsula	Linda Greer	North County resident
Mario Romo	Access Monterey Peninsula	Linda Gonzalez	Alternate for Supervisor Alejo
Sig Matt	101 Bypass Committee	Arthur McLaughlin	Oak Hills resident
Greg Molinari	MWM Investments		

1. **CALL TO ORDER**  
Chair Chavez called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m., and Board Member Hardy led the pledge of allegiance.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**  
None this month.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**  
**M/S/C** Alejo/Craig/unanimous  
 The Board approved the consent agenda excluding item 3.4.2.  
  
 Board Member Adams pulled item 3.4.2.  
 MacGregor Eddy pulled item 3.2.2 for comment.

***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 October 25, 2017.
- 3.1.2** Accepted the list of checks written for October 2017 and credit card statements for the month of September 2017.
- 3.1.3** Received report on conferences or trainings attended by agency staff.
- 3.1.4** Approved Calendar year 2018 schedule of meetings for the Transportation Agency Board of Directors and Executive Committee.
- 3.1.5** Appointed Board members Craig and Parker as Nominating Committee to meet and return to Board of Directors on January 24, 2018, with recommendations for Board officers and Executive Committee members 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.
- 3.1.6** Approved Resolution 2017-26 providing authority for the Executive Director to execute amendment No. 1 to the fiscal year 2017/18 Overall Work Program and Budget.
- 3.1.7** Regarding On-Call Graphic Design Contract Amendments:
  - 1. Approved contract amendment #1 with Eric Goldsberry Art Direction to extend the term of the agreement for graphic design on-call services until June 30, 2018; and
  - 2. Approved contract amendment #1 with Stensland Design to extend the term of the agreement for graphic design on-call services until June 30, 2018.

***BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES***

- 3.2.1** Released call for 2018 Bicycle Secure Program applications.
- 3.2.2** Approved appointment of Ernest Gallardo to serve on the TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee as the representative for the City of Greenfield.  
  
MacGregor commented that Mr. Gallardo had saved a life by administering CPR to a gentleman whom was on Metz Road.

## **PLANNING**

- 3.3.1** Regarding Canyon Del Rey Boulevard (State Route 218) Corridor Study Consultant Agreement:
1. Approved and Authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract with Kimley-Horn, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, for an amount not to exceed \$133,800 to provide public outreach, wildlife connectivity analysis, corridor travel analysis, and corridor study document development for the Canyon Del Rey Boulevard (State Route 218) Corridor Study, for the period ending December 31, 2019;
  2. Approved the use of \$133,800 of Caltrans Planning Grant funds budgeted for this purpose; 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 term or amount.
- 3.3.2** Regarding Pajaro to Prunedale Corridor Study Consultant Agreement:
1. Approved and Authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract with Omni-Means for an amount not to exceed \$243,000 to provide public outreach, corridor travel analysis, and corridor study document development for the Prunedale Corridor Study, for the period ending December 31, 2019;
  2. Approved the use of \$243,000 of Caltrans Planning Grant funds budgeted for this purpose; 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 term or amount.
- 3.3.3** Authorized staff to release the Draft 2018 Regional Transportation Plan for public review.

**PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING**

**3.4.1** Received the fiscal year 2015-2016 Freeway Service Patrol Annual Report.

**3.4.2** Regarding Call Box Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2016-2017:

1. Received fiscal year 2016-2017 Call Box Annual Report; and
2. Authorized staff to begin the Call Box Removal Plan process with Caltrans and the California Highway Patrol.

**M/S/C** Adams/LeBarre/unanimous

Board member Adams asked with the reduction of call boxes, what will happen to the one dollar fee per vehicle. Director Hale noted that the call box removal is a partial removal, and the fees collected will be used for a range of motorist aid activities, including the rideshare and traveler information program.

**3.4.3** Received update on the Traveler Information/Rideshare Program.

**3.4.4** Regarding SB 1 Grant Assistance Contract – Rail Extension to Salinas:

1. Ratified the Executive Director’s sole source contract with ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$8,250, to perform the greenhouse gas analysis for the Transit Intercity Rail Capital Improvement Program grant application for the Rail Extension to Salinas, for the period ending June 30, 2018;
2. Approved a budget amendment shifting \$8,250 in Agency reserve funds to the Rail Extension to Salinas project to be used for this purpose; 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 agreement term or amount.

**3.4.5** Regarding SB 1 Grant Assistance Contract – Imjin Parkway:

1. Approved and Authorized the Executive Director to execute a sole source contract with Cathedral Oaks Consulting for an amount not to exceed \$25,000, to prepare a draft SB 1 Solutions for Congested Corridors grant application for the Imjin Parkway segment of the Marina to Salinas Multimodal Corridor, for the period ending June 30, 2018;
2. Approved the use of \$25,000 in Measure X funds to be used for this purpose; 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 agreement term or amount.

## **RAIL PROGRAM**

- 3.5.1** Approved comments on the 2018 California State Rail Plan.
- 3.5.2** Regarding 15 Station Place and 52 West Market Street Settlement Agreement:
1. Approved the real estate acquisition settlement agreement with JBM Properties for two parcels located at 15 Station Place and 52 West Market Street for the Rail Extension to Monterey County project by increasing the \$295,000 currently deposited in the State Condemnation Fund as just compensation for the property by \$7,500 to a not to exceed amount of \$302,500;
  2. Approved the payment statutory costs not to exceed the amount of \$2,000 and property owner appraisal costs not-to-exceed \$5,000;
  3. Authorized the Executive Director to execute the agreement and changes subject to approval by Agency Counsel; and
  4. Authorized the use of no more than \$14,500 from state funds budgeted to this project for a total settlement not-to-exceed amount of \$309,500.
- 3.5.3** Regarding 54 West Market Street Settlement Agreement:
1. Approved the real estate acquisition settlement agreement with JBM Properties for one parcel located at 54 West Market Street for the Rail Extension to Monterey County project by increasing the \$150,000 currently deposited in the State Condemnation Fund as just compensation for the property of \$7,500 to a not to exceed amount of \$157,500;
  2. Approved the payment of statutory costs not to exceed the amount of \$1,344.48 and property owner appraisal costs not-to-exceed \$5,000;
  3. Authorized the Executive Director to execute the agreement and changes to the agreement if such changes do not increase the Agency's net costs, subject to approval by Agency Counsel; and,
  4. Authorized the use of no more than \$13,844.48 from state funds budgeted to this project for a total settlement not-to-exceed amount of \$163,844.48.
- 3.5.4** Regarding Salinas Rail Kick Start Project – Construction Management:
1. Approved and Authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract with MNS Engineers, in an amount not to exceed \$4,381,719, to provide construction management services for the Salinas Rail Kick Start Project, for the period ending December 31, 2021, pending review and approval of the contract by Agency Counsel, Caltrans Audits and Investigations, and Local Assistance;
  2. Approved the use of Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) funds budgeted to 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 term or amount.

**REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE**

**3.6.1** No items this month.

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**3.7.1** Accepted draft minutes from Transportation Agency committees:

- Executive Committee – November 1, 2017
- Rail Policy Committee – November 6, 2017
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee – November 1, 2017
- Technical Advisory Committee – No meeting this month
- eXcellent Transportation Oversight Committee (xTOC) – Final minutes of April 18, 2017 and July 18, 2017 and draft minutes of October 17, 2017.

**3.7.2** Received selected correspondence sent and received by the Transportation Agency for November and December 2017.

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**4. CLOSED SESSION**

The Board held a closed session regarding Public Employee Performance Evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section §54957 – Position: Executive Director

**RECONVENE**

The Board reconvened in open session and Agency Counsel Blich reported there was no reportable action.

**5. AGENCY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

**M/S/C** Salinas/LeBarre/unanimous

The Board reviewed and adopted the updated Agency goals and objectives to guide the Agency as it works to deliver local and regional transportation improvements in Monterey County. The Goals and Objectives are based on discussions held during a September Board Workshop where Board Members of the Public had a chance to discuss opportunities and challenges facing the Agency.

Based on discussions at the September Workshop, the goals are:

1. Deliver Projects
  - a. Ensure timely delivery of quality, multi-modal transportation projects throughout Monterey County.
2. Maximize Funding
  - a. Aggressively pursue all available Federal and State matching funds to initiate and complete transportation projects, to maximize leverage of locally-generated transportation dollars.
3. Communicate Early and Often
  - a. Keep the community informed of TAMC's role in improving the safety and convenience of transportation in the region, and keep the Board of Directors engaged in TAMC activities.
4. Prepare for the Future
  - a. Become a leader in the use of innovative solutions to improve transportation in the region.

The new goals and objectives will guide the Transportation Agency in its activities, including the expenditure of approximately:

- \$8 million per year in Measure X regional funding
- \$6 million per year in State Transportation Improvement Program funding,
- \$1 million per year in Local Partnership Program matching funds,
- \$500,000 per year in development impact fees, as well as,
- Potentially several million dollars per year in SB1 competitive funding.



## 6. **SR 156 LEVEL 2 TRAFFIC & REVENUE STUDY REPORT**

M/S/C Phillips/Smith/unanimous

1. Received the State Route 156 West Corridor Level 2 Traffic and Revenue Study;
2. Requested that Caltrans proceed with the supplemental EIR; and
3. Directed staff to continue to monitor options to fund and construct the full SR 156 improvement project and to proceed with constructing the Castroville Boulevard interchange as an initial segment of the full project.

The State Route 156 Level 2 Traffic and Revenue Study was conducted to determine the feasibility of using tolling to fund the Monterey Expressway, a new four-lane highway that will run parallel to the existing Highway 156. The existing Highway 156 will be converted to a frontage road, providing free access to the local community. The latest cost estimate for the State Route 156 West Corridor project under a tolling scenario is \$375 million. The study assumes aggressive funding commitments of \$70 million from various local, regional and state funding sources, including Measure X, FORA and regional impact fees. The study determined that even with this funding, a shortfall of \$98 million to \$119 million remains under the public toll authority scenario. Discussions with Caltrans indicate that, while ambitious and optimistic, this shortfall could be filled with State Highway Operations Protection Program, competitive Trade Corridor and other SB 1 program funding—but not in the near-term.

The traffic analysis showed that approximately 45% of the traffic in 2035 will use the new Monterey Expressway tolled facility. While travel times will be faster on the new facility and existing 156, congestion on Blackie Road and Castroville Boulevard will increase. Given the challenges of delivering the project as a toll facility, the Agency Board directed staff to prioritize constructing the Castroville Boulevard Interchange as a first phase, while continuing to work with Caltrans on finalizing a supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the tolling features, and continuing to look for additional funding sources to construct the full project.

Board member LeBarre urged the Board not to move toward a toll road that would require residents to bear the cost burden of the facility. LeBarre commented that he does appreciate the study and information, but while tourism is important for the county, residents are more important.

Board member Phillips expressed his support to move forward on the Castroville Interchange portion of the project. He noted that he appreciates all the hard work done on the study, and emphasized that discounts for local residents need to be included.

Board member Edelen commented that four years ago the Monterey Bay Aquarium did a study that found that people like visiting, but do not like the traffic congestion the experience coming in and going out of the peninsula. He shared Board member LeBarre's concerns, but noted there are no other funding options but to have a toll road. He also expressed the need to have a private partner for funding.

Public comment:

Arthur McLaughlin, Oak Hills resident, commented that he enjoys Highway 156, but noted it is congested, and there is a need for improvement.

Linda Greer, resident of Prunedale, asked how much has been spent on evaluating options for 156 that in the end just validated the opinion of those who live in north county.

Barbara Meister, Monterey Bay Aquarium, expressed her support to move forward on the Highway 156 improvement project.

## 7. **2017 INTEGRATED FUNDING PLAN**

M/S/C Salinas/Parker/unanimous

1. Approved Resolution 2017-25 adopting the Monterey County 2018 Regional Transportation Improvement Program;
2. Approved the 2017 Measure X Strategic Expenditure Plan; and
3. Approved Resolution 2017-27 adopting the 2017 Integrated Funding Plan.

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the 2017 Integrated Funding Plan identifies projects that are strong candidates for specific Senate Bill 1 grants, State Transportation Improvement Program funds, Measure X funds, and other matching funds over the next five years.

The Agency is looking at financing and completing construction or segments of construction on the following projects in the first five years:

- State Route 68 Salinas-Monterey Safety & Traffic Flow
- State Route 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange with a Blackie Road Extension
- Marina-Salinas Multimodal Corridor (Imjin Safety & Traffic Flow)
- Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway
- Rail Extension to Salinas – Kick Start capital improvements

Funding for the improvements includes \$54 million in the State Transportation Improvements Fund and \$90 million in Measure X funds. The Agency is seeking to match these funds with over \$221 million in Senate Bill 1 gas tax grants and other funds.

## 8. **REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS**

**Caltrans** – John Olenik, Caltrans District 5, reported 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/>.

**Monterey Regional Airport District** – Bill Sabo reported that the Airport is doing well, keeping flights and carriers. Uber and taxi service are working well for the airport passengers. The Airport is installing new carpet. In conclusion, he reminded the Board to “Fly Monterey”.

**Monterey-Salinas Transit District** – Carl Sedoryk, General Manager, announced MST is receiving new zero emission trolleys that should be running next summer. He thanked to the City of Monterey for helping with the funding; more information is available at [www.mst.org](http://www.mst.org).

**Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District** – Richard Stedman reported that with Caltrans the Air District will be installing solar-powered electric vehicle charging stations at Camp Roberts rest stop. He also announced the Santa Rita and Gonzales schools will be receiving two electric school buses.

**9. REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY BOARD MEMBERS**

Board member Edelen reported that last month he attended a CALCOG meeting in Oakland.

**10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- There are two initiatives circulating for signature to place measures on the ballot to repeal Senate Bill 1's \$5.2 billion per year in funding for transportation improvements that was approved in April, 2017. SB 1 is expected to provide significant matching funds for Measure X projects and double the amount of revenues available for local road and street repairs. Staff will give an update in February.
- Federal Tax Reform Bill has features that will make transportation projects more expensive by reducing the ability of local agencies to refinance bonds, and will likely result in cuts due to the sequestration law that requires any increases in the deficit to be offset with cuts to existing programs.

**11. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS**

None.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Chavez adjourned the meeting at 11:47 a.m.