

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: John Phillips (Chair),
Robert Huitt (1st Vice Chair), Luis Alejo (2nd Vice Chair),
Alejandro Chavez (Past Chair),
Simon Salinas (County representative), Ed Smith (City representative)*

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

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

Transportation Agency Conference Room
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Phillips called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Committee members present: Huitt, Phillip, Smith, and Salinas. Staff present: Goel, Hale, Muck, Goel, Rodriguez, Watson, Wright and Zeller. Others present: County Counsel Susan Blich and John Doe, resident Monterey Bay.
 2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.
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3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
On a motion by Committee member Salinas and seconded by Smith, the committee voted 4-0 to approve the consent agenda.
Committee member Alejo arrived after the consent agenda.
 - 3.1 Approved minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of March 7, 2018.
 - 3.2 Approved out-of-state travel for one staff to the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Rail Conference in Denver, Colorado in June 2018.

END OF CONSENT

4. CLOSED SESSION:

The Committee held a closed session regarding: Public Employment pursuant to Government Code section §54957, the Executive Committee will confer concerning employment contract with the Agency's Executive Director.

OPEN SESSION:

Agency Counsel Blich reported the Executive Committee met in closed session and gave direction to staff to place the employment contract with the Agency's Executive Director in a closed session to the Board on April 25, 2018.

5. FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reported on the many changes at the federal level since last month's report to the Executive Committee. On March 23, the President signed a \$1.3 trillion omnibus appropriations bill for fiscal year 2018. She noted that the bill includes more funding than in the past, including \$47.5 billion for the Federal Highway Administration, \$13.5 billion for the Federal Transit Administration, and \$3.1 billion for the Federal Railroad Administration. Ms. Watson also noted the specific transportation programs of interest to TAMC include:

- Capital Investment Grants program
- Amtrak
- Transportation Investments Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grants

Chair Phillips encouraged staff to work with Caltrans to keep the Highway 156 project moving forward as a possible TIGER grant candidate.

6. TAMC DRAFT AGENDA FOR APRIL 25, 2018

Executive Director Hale reviewed the highlights of the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of April 25, 2018, as follows:

- The Board will hold two closed sessions, pursuant to:
 - Government Code §54957 Executive Director Employment Contract extension and amendments
 - Government Code §54956(d)(1) Existing Litigation
- Adopt and Present Resolution of Appreciation to Senior Transportation Engineer Hank Myers, who is retiring after over 40 years of service in the engineering field.
- Receive information on the process for approval of public presentations by Agency staff. There was extensive discussion by the Committee regarding the purpose of this item and what to focus on. It was agreed that the key was to clarify the process and allow Board members to review and comment.

Consent Agenda:

- State and Federal Legislative updates
- Cap and Trade Funds for Transit
- Salinas Rail Station – Structures Demolition Bid
- Fort Ord Dunes State Park Easement

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Phillips adjourned the meeting at 9:53 a.m.