

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

**DRAFT MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2018 TAMC BOARD MEETING**

HELD AT THE  
Agricultural Center Conference Room  
1428 ABBOTT STREET, SALINAS

<b>TAMC BOARD MEMBERS</b>	<b>OCT 17</b>	<b>DEC 17</b>	<b>JAN 18</b>	<b>FEB 18</b>	<b>MAR 18</b>	<b>APR 18</b>	<b>MAY 18</b>	<b>JUN 18</b>	<b>AUG 18</b>	<b>SEP 18</b>
L. Alejo, Supr. Dist. 1 – <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair</b> (L. Gonzales; <del>J. Gomez</del> )	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)
J. Phillips, Supr. Dist. 2, <b>Chair</b> (J. Stratton)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
S. Salinas, Supr. Dist. 3 (C. Lopez, P. Barba)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
J. Parker, Supr. Dist. 4 (W. Askew)	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P
M. Adams, Supr. Dist 5 - (Y. Anderson)	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P
C. Hardy, Carmel-by-the-Sea (S. Dallas)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	E	P
J. Edelen, Del Rey Oaks (L. Buckley, K. Clark)	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P
M. Orozco, Gonzales ( <del>J. Lopez</del> , R. Bonincontri)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P
L. Santibanez, Greenfield	P	E	E	P	P	-	P	P	-	P
M. LeBarre, King City (C. Victoria)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
B. Delgado, Marina (F. O'Connell)	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	-	P
E. Smith, Monterey (A. Renny)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	-
R. Huitt, Pacific Grove – <b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</b> ( <del>C. Garfield</del> , D. Gho)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P
K. Craig, Salinas (J. Gunter)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Bodem, Sand City (L. Gomez)	P	P	P	E	P	E	P	E	E	-
R. Rubio, Seaside (D. Pacheco)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
A. Chavez, Soledad - <b>Past Chair</b> (F. Ledesma)	P	P	P	P	-	-	-	P	-	-
M. Twomey, AMBAG ( <del>H. Adamson</del> , <del>B. Patel</del> , S. Vienna)	-	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P
T. Gubbins, Caltrans, Dist. 5 (A. Loe; <del>O. Monroy Ochoa</del> , <del>J. Olejnik</del> )	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)
R. Stedman, Monterey Bay Air Resources District ( <del>A. Romero</del> , D. Frisbey)	-	P	-	-	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P
B. Sabo, Monterey Peninsula Airport District	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	P	-
C. Sedoryk, Monterey-Salinas Transit ( <del>M. Hernandez</del> , <del>H. Harvath</del> , L. Rheinheimer)	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P
E. Montesino, Watsonville (L. Hurst)	P	P	-	-	-	-	P	P	E	P
E. Ochoa, CSUMB ( <del>A. Lewis</del> , L. Samuels)				P	P	P(A)	-	-	P(A)	P (A)

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S. Castillo, Transportation Planner	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P
D. Delfino, Finance Officer/Analyst	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Deal, Principal Engineer	P	P	E	P	E	P	P	E	P	P
R. Goel, Dir. Finance & Administration	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
A. Green, Assoc. Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
D. Hale, Executive Director	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
G. Leonard, Assoc. Transportation Planner	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Muck, Deputy Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
K. Reimann, Legal Counsel	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P
E. Rodriguez, Senior Admin. Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
L. Terry, Accountant Assistant	E	P	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
C. Watson, Principal Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
T. Wright, Community Outreach	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	E
M. Zeller, Principal Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Mario Romo	Access Monterey Peninsula	Dell Matt	North Monterey County resident
Justin Riedmiller	Access Monterey Peninsula	Sig Matt	North Monterey County resident
David Cardoza	Access Monterey Peninsula	Eric Petersen	Salinas resident
Dave Silberberger	Caltrans, District 5	Cynthia Suverkrop	Oak Hills resident

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Phillips called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m., and Kay Reimann led the pledge of allegiance.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C Craig/Salinas/unanimous

The Board approved the consent agenda.

***ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET***

- 3.1.1** Approved minutes of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, the Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways, and the Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency for Monterey County meeting of August 22, 2018.
- 3.1.2** Accepted the list of checks written in August 2018 and credit card statements for the month of July 2018.
- 3.1.3** Received report on conferences or trainings attended by agency staff.
- 3.1.4** Ratified changes to paid vacation and professional leave for Senior Engineer hired by the Executive Director.
- 3.1.5** Denied the tort claim of Eriberto Jairegui and/or Eva Jauregui, as guardians for Eriberto Jauregui, related to personal injury damages occurring on Hall Road in Royal Oaks in February 2018.

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

- 3.2.1** Approved the appointment of Mike Novo representing District 3 to serve on the TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee.
- 3.2.2** Regarding Monterey-Salinas Transit State of Good Repair Program:
1. Adopted Resolution 2018-17 programming \$777,095 of Fiscal Year 2018-19 State of Good Repair Program funds to Monterey-Salinas Transit to fund a bus procurement; and
  2. Authorized the Executive Director to sign and submit regional agency certifications and assurances.

***PLANNING***

No items this month.

***PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING***

No items this month.

***RAIL PROGRAM***

- 3.5.1** Regarding Salinas Rail Package 2: Phase II Environmental Site Assessment:
1. Approved and Authorized the Executive Director to execute contract with Geocon Consultants, Inc., subject to approval by Agency Counsel, in an amount not to exceed \$20,632, to perform an Environmental Site Assessment of the Salinas Rail Project Package 2 parcels, for the period ending June 30, 2019;
  2. Approved the use of Traffic Congestion Relief Program 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, subject to approval by Agency Counsel.
- 3.5.2** Approved allocation of Rail Extension to Monterey County project funding as a match to a Caltrans rail safety grant for the Salinas-Gilroy rail corridor.

***REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE***

No items this month.

***COMMITTEE MINUTES***

- 3.7.1** Accepted draft minutes from Transportation Agency committees:
- Executive Committee – September 5, 2018
  - Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee – No meeting this month
  - Rail Policy Committee – September 10, 2018
  - Technical Advisory Committee – No meeting this month
  - eXcellent Transportation Oversight Committee (xTOC) – No meeting this month
- 3.7.2** Received selected correspondence sent and received by the Transportation Agency for September 2018.
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**4. REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE NEXUS STUDY UPDATE****M/S/C** LeBarre/ Huitt/ unanimous

The Board received a presentation on the Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update; approved Resolution 2018-15 determining that the projects in the 2018 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study are already in the scope of environmental review of the 2018 Monterey County Regional Transportation Plan; approved the 2018 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study; and approved the 2018 Strategic Expenditure Plan Update for the Regional Development Impact Fee Program.

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the Transportation Agency is required under state law to update the Regional Development Impact Fee every five years. This process includes reviewing the land use and population assumptions in the regional travel demand model, forecasting future travel demands, updating the project list as necessary to meet those demands, revising project costs, and developing an update fee schedule. The draft 2018 Regional Development Impact Fee program that is projected to generate \$131 million through year 2035 with one-percent of these revenues reimbursing the agency's fee program administrative expenses. He noted that these revenues depend on the type, location and pace of new development.

Agency staff and Wood Rodgers presented the draft results of the 2018 Regional Development Impact Fee Nexus Study Update to the Transportation Agency Board of Directors at the August 22, 2018 meeting as part of a workshop on the fundamentals and technical aspects of the regional fee program. Considering the increase to the fee per trip calculate in the draft study, the Board voted to carry approval of the draft study over one month and requested that staff reevaluate the inclusion of the entire \$388 million State Route 156 widening project in the regional fee program.

In response, Agency staff developed a proposal for segmenting the project into individual components, and including only the first two segments in the fee program:

- Segment 1: State Route 156 / Castroville Boulevard Interchange
- Segment 2: State Route 156 Widening
- Segment 3: State Route 156 / US 101 Interchange

Board member Huitt thanked Agency staff and consultants for the study update and the responsiveness to Board member concerns.

5. **STATE ROUTE 156/CASTROVILLE BOULEVARD INTERCHANGE PROJECT AND CONCEPT PRESENTATION**

The Board received an update on State Route (SR) 156/Castroville Boulevard Interchange project and a presentation of a new concept design.

Rich Deal, Principal Engineer, reported the SR 156/Castroville Boulevard Interchange project removes the existing signalized intersection on SR 156 at Castroville Boulevard and constructs a new grade-separated interchange east of the existing intersection. He noted that the initial concept for the SR 156/Castroville Boulevard Interchange project included traffic signal control at each of the new ramp intersections and Boulevard. The proposed new concept replaces the traffic signals with roundabouts. Roundabout control at the ramp intersections allows the proposed bridge over SR 156 to be narrower and reduce construction costs. He noted that roundabouts will perform better than traffic signals and have a longer design life. Roundabouts allow the Castroville Boulevard interchange to have full independent utility and accommodate future segments of the SR 156 Widening project, as well as a future Blackie Road connection. In conclusion, Mr. Deal noted that the roundabout proposed at the intersection of the realigned new Castroville Boulevard and the old alignment of Castroville Boulevard offers safe pedestrian and bike crossings between North County High School and the recently completed bike/pedestrian bridge into Castroville.

Board member Rubio asked when the project might be expected to start construction. Mr. Deal replied that construction could begin as early as 3 years from now.

Board member Craig noted that tolling is not feasible in the near-term and asked if the first phase is intended to alleviate traffic congestion or improve safety. Mr. Deal responded that removing the signal and replacing it with a roundabout will improve safety, and in doing so will also improve operations.

Board member Edelen noted that building an express tollway with a frontage road is still a good solution long-term.

Public Comment:

Cynthia Suverkrop, Oak Hills resident, stated that roundabouts will work if they are properly designed.

Dell Matt, Prunedale resident, expressed concern that San Miguel Canyon Road is severely impacted due to drivers using it as shortcut to the Peninsula. She noted her concerns that once the signal is removed, Castroville Blvd. will be a mess and there will be a need to coordinate traffic flow with signals on San Miguel Canyon Road.

Eric Petersen, Salinas resident, expressed support for roundabouts, as they reduce traffic to bicycle speed. He noted that bicyclists can ride with the cars and merge into traffic.

**6. MEASURE X SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM**

The Board received an update on the Measure X Safe Routes to School Program.

Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner, reported that the Measure X Safe Routes to School Program funds projects and programs that improve children's health by making walking and bicycling safer and easier. The Program will result in the following benefits: improved safety for children walking and biking to school; better connections between schools, residential areas and vocational training programs; enhanced air quality; and healthier transportation choices for school children and parents. She noted that the program is consistent with local, state and federal goals to provide safe access to and from schools and will apply the "6 E's" to ensure programs and projects funded are comprehensive and inclusive: evaluation, engineering, education, encouragement, enforcement and equity. The program budget includes funding for both infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects to support each of the 6 E's. Central to the success of the Measure X Safe Routes to School program is the ability to effectively collaborate with other agencies to reach program goals. To ensure regular opportunities for communication and collaboration, agencies and organizations have been invited to participate in a Safe Routes to School Task Force facilitated by TAMC staff. She noted that the Task Force meets quarterly.

Ms. Green noted that Seaside and Marina Safe Routes to School Plan will build on the goals of the Measure X Safe Routes to School Program, and a joint effort between TAMC, Monterey County Health Department, Office of Education and other stakeholders, to ensure disadvantaged populations across Monterey County have access to safe, healthy and affordable transportation options. She noted that Seaside and Marina house some of the lowest income population in the County and have some of the highest rates of youth biking and walking injuries and are thus high priority areas for safe routes to school planning. Other high priority areas that will receive safe routes to school outreach and education through the Measure X Safe Routes to School program are Salinas, South County, Castroville and North Monterey County.

Board member Craig expressed concern that there are no stop signs at several intersections with crosswalks near Henry F. Kammann Elementary School. She noted that signage in English and Spanish would be helpful.

Board member Delgado noted that the City of Greenfield has higher than average collisions around schools per capita and suggested they might consider installing speed bumps or cushions.

Board member Salinas noted that he would like Transportation Agency staff to present the information to certain School Districts.

Board member Parker thanked the Transportation Agency for putting the Safe Routes to School Program together and working with the community and noted the importance of good coordination and communication.

Chair Phillips noted that North County Schools also have safety concerns.

**7. REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS**

**Caltrans** – Aileen Loe, Caltrans District 5, reported that SB 1 revenues are funding several projects in construction now. She noted that the Sustainable Communities - Strategic Partnerships competitive grant application will be available in October.

**Monterey Regional Airport District** – No report

**Monterey-Salinas Transit District** – Carl Sedoryk reported that MST will hold the final public hearing on October 8, 2018, on proposed emergency service reductions and fare increases that would be required if Proposition 6 were to be approved. Please contact MST if you are unable to attend the public hearings and wish to comment at [www.mst.org](http://www.mst.org). He also noted that a new zero emission bus will be in operations in Salinas on October.

**Monterey Bay Air Resources District** – David Frisbey reported that AB 2766 grant funding is available for roundabouts, adaptive signal control, electric vehicle incentives, etc. He also noted that the Prunedale Shopping Center will have six new electric vehicle charging ports installed.

**California State University Monterey Bay** – No report

**8. REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY BOARD MEMBERS AT TRANSPORTATION AGENCY EXPENSE, AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW**

None this month.

**9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Hale reported that TAMC hosted a transportation town hall meeting attended by members of the California Transportation Commission at the Gonzales City Council chambers on September 19. The town hall was followed by a tour of Taylor Farms, a reception, and then a tour of key projects on the second day. Ms. Hale thanked Maura Twomey for inviting the CTC to visit the Salinas Valley. Board Member Orozco thanked everyone for inviting Gonzales to host the event.

**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

None.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Phillips adjourned the meeting at 10:39 a.m.