

## DRAFT 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 (1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair), Luis Alejo (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair),  
Alejandro Chavez (Past Chair),  
Vacant (County representative), Ed Smith (City representative)*

**Wednesday, January 9, 2019**

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

Transportation Agency Conference Room  
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	JUN 18	AUG 18	SEPT 18	OCT 18	NOV 18	JAN 19	FEB 19	MAR 19	APR 19	MAY 19	JUN 19
Luis Alejo, Supr. Dist. 1 (L. Gonzales)	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)					
Alejandro Chavez, Soledad (F. Ledesma)	P	P	P	E	P	P					
Robert Huitt, Pacific Grove (D. Gho)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P					
John Phillips, Supr. Dist. 2 (J. Stratton)	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P					
Simon Salinas. Supr. Dist. 3 (C. Lopez)	P	P(A)	P	P	P						
Ed Smith, Monterey (A. Renny)	E	P	P	P	E	P					

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Phillips called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.  
Staff present: Hale, Montiel, Muck, Watson, Williamson, Wright and Zeller.  
Others present: Agency Counsel Kay Reimann and Gus Khouri, Khouri Consulting.
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

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**3. CONSENT AGENDA:**

On a motion by Committee member Huitt and seconded by Smith, the committee voted 3-0 to approve the consent agenda.

Committee member Chavez and alternate Gonzales arrived after the consent agenda.

**3.1** Approved minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of November 7, 2018.

**3.2.** Approved “sustained superior performance” step increase from Principal Transportation Planner Step 5 to Step 6 for Michael Zeller.

**END OF CONSENT**

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**4. STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND 2019 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM**

On a motion by Committee member Smith and seconded by Huitt, the committee voted 4-0 to recommend that the Board adopt the final 2019 Legislative Program, with the addition of an item related to the Caltrans-owned properties along the old Prunedale Bypass alignment and revised language pertaining to transit-oriented development, as follows:

- New item: “Support legislation to transfer funding derived from the sale of excess rights-of-way purchased for the Prunedale Bypass project to priority projects in the region.”
- Added parenthetical note on TOD item: “Support legislation that promotes transit-oriented development (such as via redevelopment or opportunity zones), complete streets, alternative commutes, multi-modal transportation, and active transportation projects.”

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, introduced Gus Khouri, Khouri Consulting. Mr. Khouri presented a state legislative update and the state 2019 legislative program. Ms. Watson reviewed the federal 2019 legislative program. Mr. Khouri noted that the state is facing a \$16 billion surplus that is its largest budget surplus in history. He also noted that TAMC was notified in December that two projects were recommended for funding from the Active Transportation Program. The Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) was awarded over \$10 million and Safe Routes to School Education Program was awarded over \$2 million.

**5. TRANSPORTATION EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

On a motion by Committee Chavez and seconded by Huitt, the committee voted 5-0 to receive the nominations for the eighteenth annual Transportation Agency Excellence awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County, and select awards recipients for the eighteenth awards ceremony to be held during the January 2019 Board meeting.

Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator, presented the nominations for the 2018 Excellence Awards. She noted that the Transportation Agency released a call for nominations for the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Transportation Excellence Awards in October 2018 to encourage and appreciate efforts made by Monterey County residents, businesses and employees to improve transportation in Monterey County. Fourteen nominations were submitted to the Agency in December for consideration.

**6. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The Committee received a report from Committee member Chavez that the Nominating Committee are recommending the following Board member officers: Chair Robert Huitt, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Luis Alejo and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair Ed Smith, and elected members of the Executive Committee for the term beginning upon their election through the next election of officers at the beginning of the January 22, 2020, Board meeting, as follows:

- Robert Huitt, Chair
- Luis Alejo, 1st Vice Chair
- Ed Smith, 2nd Vice Chair
- Alejandro Chavez, Past Chair
- Mary Adams, County Representative
- Mike LeBarre, City Representative

**7. TAMC DRAFT AGENDA FOR JANUARY 23, 2019**

Executive Director Hale reviewed the highlights of the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of January 23, 2019. She noted that:

- The Board will begin the meeting with the election of officers for 2019
- The Board will hold their 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Transportation Excellence Awards and State Senator Anthony Cannella will make it to the Board meeting at 10:30 a.m.
- The Board will receive updates on:
  - State Legislative issues and the 2019 legislative program
  - Overview of the Agency's history and context and the Agency's progress in meeting its five-year goals and objectives
- The Board will hold a closed session regarding rail acquisition.
- On consent, the Board will notice a proposed change to the Agency Bylaws to add an "at-large" Board member to the Rail Policy Committee.

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None this month.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Huitt adjourned the meeting at 10:28 a.m.