

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting held via Zoom

Final Minutes of Thursday, March 3, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	APR 21	MAY 21	JUN 21	AUG 21	SEP 21	OCT 21	NOV 21	DEC 21	JAN 22	FEB 22	MAR 22
R. Harary, Carmel-by-the-Sea (R. Culver)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	N	P	P	P(A)
J. Guertin, Del Rey Oaks					P			O			-
P. Dobbins Gonzales (vacant)	P	P	P	P		P			E	P	P
D. Pike, Greenfield (T. Nisich)	P/P(A)	P/P(A)	P/P(A)	P	P/P(A)	P	P	M	P(A)	P	P/P(A)
O. Hurtado, King City (S. Adams)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
B. McMinn, Marina (E. Delos Santos)	P	P	P	P	P		P	E	P	P	P
M. Garcia, Monterey Vice Chair (A. Renny, F. Roveri)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P/P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	T	P	P	P
D. Gho, Pacific Grove (J. Halabi)	P	P	P	P/P(A)	P	P	P	I	P	P	P
A. Easterling, Salinas (J. Serrano)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	N	P	P	P
L. Gomez, Sand City (A. Blair)	P	P	P		P	P	P	G	P	P	P
L. Llantero, Seaside (N. Patel)	P		P		P	P	P(A)		P(A)	P	
L. Gomez, Soledad (O. Espinoza)	P/P(A)	P/P(A)	P/P(A)		P	P	P		P	P	P
C. Alinio, MCPW, Chair (E. Saavedra)	P/P(A)	P(A)			P		P		P	P	P
M. Taylor, AMBAG (P. Hierling)	P/P(A)	P/P(A)	P	P	P	P	P		P	P(A)	P
O. Monroy-Ochoa, Caltrans (K. McClendon)	P	P	P			P			P	E	P
M. McCluney, CSUMB				P		P	P		P	P	
A. Romero, MBUAPCD											
S. Campi, MST (M. Overmeyer)	P(A)		P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P

STAFF	APR 21	MAY 21	JUN 21	AUG 21	SEP 21	OCT 21	NOV 21	DEC 21	JAN 22	FEB 22	MAR 22
T. Muck, Executive Director	P	P		P	P	P	P		P	P	P
C. Watson, Director of Planning						P	P				P
M. Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P
D. Bilse, Principal Engineer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant		P	P	P	P		P		P	P	P
J. Strause, Transportation Planner									P		P
T. Wright, Public Outreach Coordinator											P
L. Williamson, Senior Engineer	P				P		P		P		P
A. Hernandez, Asst. Transportation Planner					P		P		P		P
A. Guther, Asst. Transportation Planner							P		P		-

OTHERS PRESENT:

1. ROLL CALL

Chair Chad Alinio, Monterey County, called the meeting to order at 9:31 am. Introductions were made and a quorum was established.

1.1 ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

M / S / C: McMinn / Gomez / unanimous

3.1 **APPROVED** the Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes for February 3, 2022.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. 2022 MONTEREY COUNTY BIKE MAP

Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner, reported that the primary updates include adding new and upgraded bikeway facilities that were constructed since the 2016 Bike Map and improving the accessibility for map users at the local level. She noted that other changes to the map include new route colors, added Regional Bicycle Wayfinding Rotes as “Regional Bike Routes” and added bike parking and bike shops. In conclusion Ms. Strause noted that we are considering adding “Popular Bike Routes” that do not currently have a bike facility. Staff will email the maps for Committee members to send input and review.

5. STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Christina Watson, Director of Planning Christina Watson, Director of Planning, reviewed proposed state legislation. The Committee had the following comments and input on proposed state legislation:

Andrew Easterling, City of Salinas expressed support for prioritizing bike and pedestrian mobility over vehicle mobility. Mr. Easterling also expressed support for AB 932 as an integration of vision zero and traffic calming.

Brian McMinn, City of Marina supported the proposed bike legislation and noted younger cyclists are safety cycling in the streets rather than sidewalks

Marissa Garcia, City of Monterey expressed concerns on AB 932 due to the 15-year time frame and funding constraints and project delivery capabilities. She asked how does it affect us and affect our liability? Ms. Taylor recommended taking a more balanced approach that won’t penalize larger projects.

Miranda Taylor, AMBAG recommended that a 16-year-old age limit to following STOP sign regulations should be considered as part of bike legislation

Andrew Easter, City of Salinas noted that a lot of projects can be done during the 15-year window time frame like vision zero and street safety improvements projects.

Sloan Campi, MST questioned the enforceability of the proposed bike legislation and showed concern about liability issues

6. 2022-2026 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

William Condon Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) reported that AMBAG prepares transportation plans and programs for the Monterey Bay region consisting of Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties. He noted that one of these documents is the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP), a multi-million-dollar, multi-year program of proposed projects for major highway, arterial, transit and bikeway projects.

7. RETURN TO IN-PERSON MEETINGS

Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer reported that it is recommended that the Committee discuss how and where to conduct future in-person meetings, pending Governor Newsom lifting the COVID-19 pandemic emergency declaration that allows the Transportation Agency Board of Directors and Committees to meet remotely. Bilse noted a correction that the Governor's State of Emergency reported to expire on March 31, 2022 in the staff report should be revised to expire on June 30, 2022.

Committee Leslie Llantero noted that she misses the in-person meetings and stated the benefits of networking opportunities of in-person meetings. Ms. Llantero mentioned that she is concerned with the shortage of staff experienced by the cities and public agencies.

Brian McMinn, City of Marina suggested that the format used for TAC meetings should follow the lead of the TAMC Board meetings.

Miranda Taylor, AMBAG noted that AMBAG will support what the committee supports and noted that fully virtual is the most beneficial option.

Marissa Gomez, City of Monterey noted that the hybrid meetings support the goals of travel demand management and greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator noted that the American Public Works Association (APWA) is setting up training sessions and is seeking topics and suggestions and hope to schedule something for this summer. Please email Theresa Wright at theresa@tamcmonterey.org.

Andrew Easterling announced that the American Rescue Recovery Plan Act TARPA will be distributing federal funds to local agencies. He asked to form a TAC subcommittee to discuss the policy and information, or suggested agencies share information on the challenges faced with this issue.

9. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.