

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

**Draft Minutes of June 28, 2017 TAMC Board Meeting**

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

<b>TAMC BOARD MEMBERS</b>	<b>JUN 16</b>	<b>AUG 16</b>	<b>SEP 16</b>	<b>OCT 16</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>
L. Alejo, Supr. Dist. 1- (L. Gonzales)	P(A)	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(A)	P	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P
S. Salinas, Supr. Dist. 3 (C. Lopez, P. Barba)	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P	P
J. Parker, Supr. Dist. 4 (W. Askew)	P(A)	E	P	P	P	E	P	P	P(A)	P	P(A)
M. Adams, Supr. Dist 5 - (Y. Anderson)	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P*	P*	P(A*)	P*	P*	P
C. Hardy, Carmel-by-the-Sea (S. Dallas)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	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)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
L. Santibanez, Greenfield	-	P	P	P	-	-	-	P	E	P	P
M. LeBarre, King City (C. Victoria)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
B. Delgado, Marina (F. O'Connell)	P	P	-	P	-	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)
E. Smith, Monterey (R. Deal)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Huit, Pacific Grove - <b>2nd Vice Chair</b> (C. Garfield)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
K. Craig, Salinas - <b>immediate Past Chair</b> (J. Gunter)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P
T. Bodem, Sand City (L. Gomez)	P	P	-	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
R. Rubio, Seaside (D. Pacheco)	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)
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	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P
T. Gubbins, Caltrans, Dist. 5 ( <del>A. Loe, O. Monroy Ochoa, J. Olejnik,</del> )	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P
R. Stedman, Monterey Bay Air Resources District ( <del>A. Romero, D. Frisbey</del> )	-	-	-	-	-	P	-	-	P	P(A)	E
B. Sabo, Monterey Regional Airport	P	P	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
C. Sedoryk, MST ( <del>M. Hernandez, H. Harvath,</del> L. Rheinheimer)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)
O. Rios, Watsonville (F. Hernandez)	-	-	-	-	-	P(A)	P	P	P	P	E

\*New member/alternate

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D. Delfino, Finance Officer/Analyst	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
R. Goel, Dir. Finance & Administration	P	P	E	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
A. Green, Transportation Planner	P	E	E	E	E	E	E	P	P	P	P
D. Hale, Executive Director	P	P	E	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	P	P	P	P	E
V. Murillo, Assistant Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
H. Myers, Sr. Trans. Planning Engineer	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
K. Reimann, Legal Counsel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
E. Rodriguez, Senior Admin. Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
L. Terry, Accountant Assistant	E	P	E	E	P	E	E	E	E	E	P
C. Watson, Principal Trans. Planner	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Wright, Community Outreach	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Zeller, Senior Trans. Planner	P	E	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	Mike Weaver	Public
Mario Romo	Access Monterey Peninsula	John Olejnik	Caltrans staff
Linda Gonzalez	Alternate District 1	Patrick Dobbins	Harris & Associates
Benny Young	Monterey County Public Works	Sheri Hauswirth	Salinas resident
Carol Romo	Salinas resident	Norm Groot	Farm Bureau
Diane Middaugh	Salinas resident	Bob Stock	Public

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Chavez called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m., and Marina Alternate representative O’Connell led the pledge of allegiance.

**1.1 ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

None.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Diane Middaugh noted that she constantly uses the Amtrak train to visit family in Santa Barbara and she is concerned with the administration’s proposals to eliminate the Coast Starlight. Executive Director Debbie Hale reported that the Starlight is an important service for our region and we are working hard with other interested parties to keep it from being cut as proposed in the President’s “Skinny Budget”.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

**M/S/C** Salinas/Phillips/unanimous (Board member Craig arrived after the consent agenda was voted on.)  
The Board approved the consent agenda.

***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 May 24, 2017.
- 3.1.2** Accepted the list of checks written for the month of May 2017 and credit card statements for the month of April 2017.
- 3.1.3** Approved attached updated Agency weighted vote table
- 3.1.4** Approved closure of Transportation Agency for Monterey County offices on December 27, 28 and 29, 2017.
- 3.1.5** Approved evaluation form, procedure, and timeline for completing annual evaluation for Executive Director and Counsel as recommended by the Executive Committee.
- 3.1.6** Disposition of Surplus Equipment:
  - 1. Approved Resolution 2017-21 declaring as surplus selected furniture, equipment, and computers; and
  - 2. Authorized the Executive Director to dispose of the surplus property in accordance with the Disposition of Surplus Property Policy, paragraph 4.
- 3.1.7** Noticed of proposed amendments to the Agency bylaws as recommended by the Executive Director.
- 3.1.8** Received report on conferences or trainings attended by agency staff.
- 3.1.9** Approved out-of-state travel for one staff member to the American Public Works Association 2017 Public Works Expo, from August 27 – 30, in Orlando, FL.

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

- 3.2.1** Approved release of Request of Proposals for a ridesharing and trip planning software platform.
- 3.2.2** Approved release of Request for Proposals for the Monterey County traveler information and travel demand management program branding and strategic marketing plan.
- 3.2.3** Transportation Development Act Allocation & Unmet Transit Needs:
  - 1. Received list of Monterey County’s unmet needs; and
  - 2. Approved Monterey-Salinas Transit’s application for state Transportation Development Act Funds; and
  - 3. Adopted Resolution 2017-20 allocating \$16,655,774 in Transportation Development Act funds to Monterey-Salinas Transit for Fiscal Year 2017-18.
- 3.2.4** Transportation Development Act Triennial Performance Audits.
  - 1. Accepted Triennial Performance Audits for the 3-year period ending June 30, 2016; and
  - 2. Authorized staff to submit the Performance Audits to Caltrans by June 30, 2017

***PLANNING***

- 3.3.1** Received state legislative update and approved positions on bills pertaining to the Agency.

**3.3.2 State Legislative Assistance Contract:**

1. Authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract with Khouri Consulting, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 per year, to provide state legislative analyst/advocate services, for two years, with the option to extend another year at the same cost, subject to Agency Counsel approval;
2. Approved the use of the undesignated operating reserve budgeted to this purpose; and
3. Authorize the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the contract if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency counsel.

***PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING***

**3.4.1 Monterey County Call Box Program: Verizon Wireless Contract Amendment #1:**

1. Approved contract Amendment #1 with Verizon Wireless extending the term of the agreement to June 30, 2019.
2. Authorized the Executive Director to execute documentation necessary to enter into the updated user agreement with Western States Contracting Alliance and the State of California with respect to Verizon Wireless telephone services; and
3. Authorized the Executive Director to execute the contract and changes to the contract if such changes do not increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency Counsel.

**3.4.2** Ratified the request for Caltrans to program up to \$1.17 million of federal Regional Surface Transportation Program funds to the County of Monterey's Castroville Bicycle and Pedestrian Path and Railroad Crossing project, contingent upon the County of Monterey shifting \$248,249 of local funds to the Holman Highway 68 Roundabout project.

***RAIL PROGRAM***

**3.5.1** Authorized staff to publish a Request for Proposals for hazardous materials testing and disposal monitoring of structures owned by the Agency that re scheduled for demolition in the area around the Salinas Intermodal Transportation Center, subject to the review and approval of Agency counsel.

**3.5.2** Authorized staff to publish a Request for Proposals for construction management for the Salinas Rail Extension Kick Start project, subject to the review and approval of Agency counsel.

**3.5.3** Authorize staff to enter into a reimbursement agreement to recover costs associated with the granting of water pipeline easements, subject to counsel approval; and returning to the Board for consideration of the easement acquisition agreement.

**3.5.4** Authorize the Executive Director to execute two lease extensions with P & S Real Estate Co.

**3.5.5** Approved Amendment #2 to the agreement with Olivia Espinoza DBA Olivia's Café to extend the rental term of Agency-owned 14 Station Place, Salinas California month-to-month until September 30, 2017, pending Agency counsel approval.

**3.5.6** Approved the Amendment #3 to the Agreement for Professional Services with Overland, Pacific & Cutler, Inc. to allow for the shifting of budgeted funds between tasks without increasing the approved no-to-exceed amount.

***REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE***

**3.6.1** No items this month.

## **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

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

- Executive Committee – Draft June 7, 2017.
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee – No meeting
- Rail Policy Committee – No meeting
- Technical Advisory Committee – No meeting

### **3.7.2 Received selected correspondence sent and received by the Transportation Agency for June 2017.**

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## **4. HOLMAN HIGHWAY 68 ROUNDABOUT UPDATE**

The Board received a Holman Highway 68 Roundabout Update.

Grant Leonard, Transportation Planner, reported that the Holman Highway 68/State Route 1 Roundabout will be the first state highway roundabout in Monterey County. The intersection is a gateway to the Peninsula and provides access to the Community Hospital, Pebble Beach and City of Pacific Grove. He noted that the City of Monterey is the lead agency managing construction of project, and has contracted with Harris and Associates for construction management services, Granite Construction, Inc., to perform the construction work, and the Transportation Agency to manage public outreach and education.

He noted that the construction of the Holman Highway 68 Roundabout began in late August 2016 and is scheduled to be completed by October, 2017. Construction was slowed during the winter months due to excessive rainfall. The current construction schedule calls for paving work and access to all traffic movements to be completed in August prior to Classic Car Week, and all remaining work, including landscaping, to be completed by early October.

Mr. Leonard reported that an Interagency Task Force made up of key project stakeholders meets monthly to problem-solve and provide direct input to the project team during construction. He also noted that throughout the remaining construction, Transportation Agency staff will continue to meet with stakeholder groups and provide updates on the project website (<http://www.tamcmonterey.org>), via an e-newsletter, online videos, news releases, and texts.

Board member Adams asked if big trucks would be able to go through the whole roundabout.

Mr. Leonard responded that the roundabout is specifically designed to accommodate large vehicles, and TAMC will be working with the City of Monterey to produce a video showing how they can navigate the roundabout.

Board member Huitt thanked the Transportation Agency staff for all its work to inform the public about during construction.

Board ex officio Rheinheimer noted that Monterey-Salinas Transit has partnered with the Transportation Agency on several items in this project, including a deeply discounted \$13 monthly pass, which has sold over 9,000 passes. She noted that the discounted monthly pass will be discontinued on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Board member Sabo asked if there will be a speed limit on the roundabout. Mr. Leonard noted that the roundabout design limits speeds to approximately 15 to 20 mph.

**5. STATE ROUTE 68 SCENIC HIGHWAY PLAN UPDATE**

The Board received an update on the for the SR 68 Scenic Highway Plan and development of a recommended corridor concept, and provided comments on the draft recommended corridor concept.

Grant Leonard, Transportation Planner, reported that in December 2015 the Transportation Agency approved two contracts for consultant services to complete the plan, one to conduct the wildlife connectivity analysis, and the other to conduct the travel analysis and evaluate concepts for improving travel through the corridor. He noted that in spring of 2016, the Agency conducted a round of public outreach to determine what the public viewed as the most critical needs for the corridor. The outreach included a public workshop, meetings with local jurisdictions and stakeholder's groups and an interactive online forum for people to provide comments. Throughout the summer and fall of 2016, the project team completed a detailed analysis of the existing conditions along the corridor. He noted that the findings of the analysis are included in a technical memorandum that are published on the project website for public review at: [www.sr68sceniccorridorstudy.com](http://www.sr68sceniccorridorstudy.com).

Measure X includes \$50 million for implementation of improvements along the Highway 68 corridor between Salinas and Monterey. Since the April 26<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, the project team has been engaged in a second phase of public outreach to gather public input on the three alternatives. This outreach included a public workshop on May 4<sup>th</sup> meetings with community groups and stakeholders individually and promotion of the interactive projects website and online survey about the alternatives. The current project schedule calls for SR 68 Scenic Highway Plan to be released for public review in July and presented to Agency Board for approval on August 23, 2017.

Board member LeBarre expressed his goal to keep this scenic route corridor beautiful and improve safety for bicyclist and pedestrians.

Board member Smith asked how much travel time savings would occur with the roundabout alternative, and asked if one of the roundabouts would be at Olmsted Road. Mr. Leonard replied that there would be a roundabout at Olmsted Road, in keeping with the Airport master plan; he also noted that with the corridor of roundabouts there would be improved travel time reliability and safety.

Board member Askew asked if we have captured the surveyed individuals for future updates.

Board member Sabo noted that he is concerned about the recommended options near the Monterey County Airport and wanted to make sure they are consistent with the Airport's plans.

Board member Phillips expressed concern that the travel time savings isn't that large. He noted that he can envision two or three roundabouts in the corridor, but more than three is hard to visualize. Grant Leonard replied that more time-saving benefit will accrue with a corridor approach and it is also better for the bus service and safety.

Board member LeBarre noted that on the wildlife component to consider looking at ways to maximize efficiency of those dollars. He noted to look ahead at new technologies and how to incorporate those into the new roadway.

Board member Adams noted that SR 68 is very important for the 5<sup>th</sup> District and expressed gratitude on the public input on the plan.

Public comment:

Mike Weaver expressed that he has been a lifelong resident of SR 68, former TAMC Community Advisory Group member and wanted to hear the data and the statistics underlying the recommendation. He noted that very little data was provided to the public, there was no mention of the official plan lines adopted in 1977 by the County, and he asked where else has this happened on the state highway to convert to 11 roundabouts on a corridor with a lot of residential side roads.

Sheri Hauswirth she noted that she lives in the corner of Torero and SR 68. She expressed her concern that the traffic on Highway 68 is bad and she is unable to get on the highway. She is concerned with the proposed concept to widen between the existing four lane section and the Toro Park Café.

Eric Petersen, Pedali Alpini, noted that roundabouts are great for bicyclists because they slow down traffic.

Norm Groot, Monterey County Farm Bureau, noted that the Southern California wildlife corridors are not a complete solution. He asked what is the cumulative impact to trucks of 11 roundabouts on the corridor. He noted his concern that if trucks are not accommodated that it will lead drivers to use of alternate routes on Blanco and Davis Road and there is no need for additional traffic on those roads.

Bob Stock noted that he has been driven the corridor for years and noted that traffic signals shift people to the Imjin corridor. He expressed that if SR 68 becomes smoother, it will shift people back to the corridor.

Ray Harrod, representing Ferrini Ranch, asked if the new roundabout improvements can be done at the new Torero Drive and not the existing Torero.

**6. REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS**

**Caltrans** – Tim Gubbins reported that Caltrans has been working hard on the Paul’s Slide and noted that access to the public will be open at the end of July. He also noted that Senate Bill 1 provides additional funding for Sustainable Transportation Planning grants and that applications are due in October, 2017.

**Monterey Regional Airport District** – Bill Sabo reported that the Airport is doing well, keeping flights and carriers and they are not expanding the runway. The Airport is working with PG&E on the solar energy. In conclusion, Mr. Sabo noted that the airport is still in negotiations with American Airlines to add service to Dallas.

**Monterey-Salinas Transit District** – Lisa Rheinheimer, announced new service changes due to additional funding - detailed information is available at [www.mst.org](http://www.mst.org).

**Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District** – No report this month.

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

No reports this month.

8. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Debbie Hale announced that the City of King has the first project to be under construction with Measure X funding. She also noted that Transportation Agency staff is working with the cities on getting approval of their Measure X memoranda of understanding, which are due to TAMC by the end of August. In conclusion, Director Hale reminded the Board that there will be no Agency Committee or Board meetings in July.

9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM TRANSPORTATION AGENCY MEMBERS**

None this month.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Chavez adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.