



Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission
Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways & Expressways - Email: info@tamcmonterey.org

**AGENDA
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS EMERGENCIES
AND
MONTEREY COUNTY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE
JOINT POWERS AGENCY**

**Wednesday, October 23, 2019
Agricultural Center Conference Room
1428 Abbott Street
Salinas, California
9:00 AM**

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1. QUORUM CHECK – CALL TO ORDER

Transportation Agency by-laws require a quorum of a minimum of 9 voting members, including a minimum of 7 city representatives and 1 county representative.

If you are unable to attend, please contact your alternate. Your courtesy to the other Transportation Agency Board members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any person may address the Transportation Agency Board at this time. Presentations should not exceed three minutes, should be directed to an item **NOT** on today's agenda, and should be within the jurisdiction of the Transportation Agency Board. *Though it is not required, the Transportation Agency Board appreciates your cooperation in completing a speaker request form available on the table at the entrance to the meeting room. Please give the completed form to the Transportation Agency Administrative Assistant. If you have handouts, please provide 30 copies for the entire Board before the meeting starts or email to Agency Administrative Assistant 24 hours in advance of the meeting.*

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

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- Hale

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- Jacobsen

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- Deal

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- Watson

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8. **RECEIVE** update on Go831 Program activities for fiscal year 2018/19 and anticipated program activities in fiscal year 2019/20.

- Green/Ramirez

Go831 is a transportation demand management program serving Monterey County. The program seeks to reduce regional traffic, increase healthy behaviors and improve air quality by encouraging alternatives to drive alone trips to work, school and play. Go831 is fully staffed by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County.

9. **RECEIVE** reports from Transportation Providers:

- Caltrans Director's Report and Project Update - Gubbins
- Monterey Peninsula Airport - Sabo

- Monterey-Salinas Transit - Sedoryk
- Monterey Bay Air Resources District - Stedman

10. Reports on meetings attended by Board Members at Transportation Agency expense, as required by state law.

11. Executive Director's Report.

12. Announcements and/or comments from Transportation Agency members on matters that they wish to put on future Transportation Agency agendas.

13. ADJOURN

BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA: Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

ADMINISTRATION and BUDGET

- 3. 1.1 APPROVE** minutes of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) the Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways, and the Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency for September 25, 2019.

- Rodriguez

- 3. 1.2 ACCEPT** the list of checks written for the month of September 2019 and credit card statements for the month of August 2019.

- Delfino

The list of checks and copies of credit card statements are submitted to the Transportation Agency Board each month in accordance with the recommendation from the Transportation Agency's independent Certified Public Accountant to keep the Board informed about the Transportation Agency's financial transactions.

- 3. 1.3 RECEIVE** list of contracts awarded under \$50,000.

- Goel

The list of contracts awarded by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for services under \$50,000 approved by the Executive Director is submitted each month in accordance with the Agency's Procurement Policies to keep the Board informed.

- 3. 1.4 RECEIVE** report on conferences or trainings attended by agency staff.

- Muck

Agency staff attend conferences or trainings at Agency expense that are pertinent to their roles in pursuing the Agency's mission. These events allow the staff to stay current and participate in the development of transportation practices and policies related to their roles.

- 3. 1.5 RECEIVE** the call for nominations for the 18th annual Transportation Excellence awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County.

- Wright

Transportation Agency would like to encourage and appreciate the efforts made by Monterey County residents, businesses and employees to improve transportation in Monterey County by awarding Transportation Excellence Awards. Staff encourages Board members to submit nominations, which are due by December 6, 2019. The awards ceremony will take place during the regular January 22, 2020 Transportation Agency Board meeting.

BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT, and SOCIAL SERVICES

3. 2.1 Federal Transit Grant Section 5310 Application for Monterey-Salinas Transit bus funds:

1. **ACCEPT** Monterey-Salinas Transit's Federal transit grant application for six bus replacements for its RIDES paratransit service for the elderly and persons with disabilities; and
2. **ADOPT** Resolution 2019-12 approving Monterey County's scores for Traditional Section 5310 grant applications and certifying that the projects meet federal program requirements and conditions.

- Jacobsen

The Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 program provides competitive grants for capital and operating costs associated with transportation serving seniors and people with disabilities. The Transportation Agency is responsible for accepting and scoring the FTA 5310 grant applications within Monterey County, and submitting applications to the state for funding. The Transportation Agency's actions do not approve funding or projects, but assist the FTA/Caltrans in making those decisions.

3. 2.2 RECEIVE update on the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway environmental impact report.

- Castillo

The draft environmental impact report for the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project will be released for public review in mid November. A public review period of at least 45 days will follow. A public hearing to accept comments on the draft environmental impact report will take place at the December 4, 2019 TAMC Board of Directors meeting.

3. 2.3 Transportation Development Act Allocation & Unmet Transit Needs:

1. **RECEIVE** list of Monterey County's unmet transit needs;
2. **APPROVE** Monterey-Salinas Transit's application for State Transportation Development Act funds; and
3. **ADOPT** Resolution 2019-06 allocating a total of \$22,467,183 in

Transportation Development Act funds to Monterey-Salinas Transit, comprised of \$16,749,685 in Local Transportation Funds and \$5,717,498 in State Transit Assistance funds for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

- Castillo

As the Regional Transportation Planning Agency, TAMC oversees the approval process for allocating State funds devoted to local transit expenditures. TAMC annually seeks public input to identify unmet transit needs in Monterey County, and has coordinated with Monterey-Salinas Transit and its Mobility Advisory Committee to evaluate the unmet transit needs comments received through April 30, 2019.

3. 2.4 Regional Traffic Counts Request for Proposals

1. **APPROVE** the scope of work for the Regional Traffic Counts Request for Proposals, subject to counsel approval;
2. **AUTHORIZE** staff to publish the Request for Proposals and return to the Board of Directors with a recommendation for approval of a consultant, including the final scope of work; and
3. **APPROVE** the use of Regional Surface Transportation Program funds for this contract in an amount not to exceed \$109,000.

- Castillo

The request for proposals will be used by TAMC to select a consultant to conduct traffic counts twice per year during the off-peak season (March or April) and during the peak-season (August or September) over three calendar years, for approximately 200 locations throughout Monterey County for the Transportation Agency's regional traffic counts program. The Agency's traffic counts data supports local, state, and federal grant proposals, the regional travel demand model and other long-range planning efforts.

- ### **3. 2.5 AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans to complete the federal environmental review process for the Highway 218 segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project.

- Castillo

Caltrans requires a Cooperative Agreement with the Transportation Agency to complete the federal environmental review process for the Highway 218 segment of the proposed Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) project. The Cooperative Agreement outlines the duties of Caltrans and of TAMC in order to complete the federal environmental review process.

PLANNING

3. 3.1 US 101 South of Salinas Concept Analysis:

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to execute a contract with GHD for an amount not to exceed \$521,513 to provide consulting services to develop, analyze and recommend preferred concept alternatives for the US 101 South of Salinas, for the period ending June 30, 2021;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of \$521,513 of Measure X funds budgeted for this purpose; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** 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.

- Williamson

The US 101 South of Salinas Expressway to Freeway Conversion Concept Analysis work will involve the development and review of various safety improvement concepts for the corridor using a robust public outreach process, data gathering and traffic modeling. The project limits for purposes of the analysis are from Chualar to Salinas with some work extending to Gonzales.

3. 3.2 RECIEVE update on state legislative issues and **APPROVE** the draft 2020 legislative program for distribution to Committees for comment.

- Watson

The Executive Committee provided input for the draft 2020 legislative program.

PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING

3. 4.1 ADOPT 2019 Public Participation Plan.

- Wright

On June 26, 2019, the Transportation Agency's Board of Directors authorized the release of the Draft 2019 Public Participation Plan for a 45-day public comment review period, and held a public hearing for the Draft 2019 Public Participation Plan at the August 28, 2019 Board Meeting. This item requests that the Board adopt the final version of the 2019 Public Participation Plan.

3. 4.2 Regional Surface Transportation Program Fair Share Allocation:

1. **APPROVE** the request by the City of Salinas to program \$900,000 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds to the East Laurel Drive Pedestrian Improvement Project; and
2. **APPROVE** amending Exhibit A of the local funding agreement to include this project and funding.

- Zeller

The Agency has distributed Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funding by population to the local jurisdictions for a wide range of eligible transportation projects. Funding is available at the discretion of the local jurisdiction for their chosen projects, upon approval by the Transportation Agency Board.

- 3. 4.3 ADOPT** Ordinance 2019-01 to revise the Measure X Maintenance of Effort calculation.

- Zeller

The purpose of the Measure X annual audit is to confirm that the funding recipients -- TAMC, the County of Monterey and the twelve incorporated cities -- have complied with the voter-approved requirements specified in Ordinance 2016-01 for the Transportation Safety and Investment Plan, including the "maintenance of effort" requirement. The proposed amendment will change the method for calculating the existing ordinance's required maintenance of effort to be the greater of the SB 1 requirement, or the amount local funds spent in fiscal year 2016/17, plus an annual growth factor.

- 3. 4.4 Measure X Local Funding Agreement Amendment:**

1. **APPROVE** Amendment #1 to the Measure X Master Programs Funding Agreement to make the Maintenance of Effort calculation consistent with Ordinance 2019-01; and
2. **DISTRIBUTE** to the cities and County of Monterey for their adoption.

- Zeller

Upon Board approval, Ordinance 2019-01 will change the method for calculating the existing ordinance's required maintenance of effort to be the greater of the Senate Bill 1 requirement, or the amount local funds spent in fiscal year 2016/17, plus an annual growth factor. This proposed action would amend the Measure X Master Programs Funding Agreement between TAMC and each local jurisdiction to make the maintenance of effort calculation consistent with Ordinance 2019-01.

- 3. 4.5 Regional Surface Transportation Program Fair Share Allocation:**

1. **APPROVE** the request by the City of Seaside to program \$221,901 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds to the Intersection Control Evaluation & Corridor Studies Project; and
2. **APPROVE** amending Exhibit A of the local funding agreement to include this project and funding.

- Zeller

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- 3. 4.6 APPROVE** the appointment of Sam Teel as the alternate representative for the Monterey Peninsula Hospitality Association on the Measure X Transportation Safety & Investment Plan Citizens Oversight Committee.

- Wright

The Transportation Safety & Investment Plan Policies calls for the formation of a Citizens Oversight Committee representing a diverse range of community interests. Representatives of these interests must be nominated by their organizations and appointed to serve on the Citizens Oversight Committee by the Transportation Agency's Board of Directors.

RAIL PROGRAM - No items this month

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE - No items this month

COMMITTEE MINUTES and CORRESPONDENCE

- 3. 7.1 ACCEPT** draft minutes of the Transportation Agency Committees:
- Executive Committee - October 2, 2019
 - [Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee](#) - October 2, 2019
 - [Technical Advisory Committee](#) - October 3, 2019
 - Rail Policy Committee - October 7, 2019
 - [Excellent Transportation Oversight Committee](#) - October 15, 2019

- Rodriguez

- 3. 7.2 RECEIVE** correspondence to and from TAMC for the month of October 2019.

- Rodriguez

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Transportation Agency for Monterey County meeting will be on

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9:00 A.M.

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Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Debra L. Hale, Executive Director
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **Employee of the Quarter**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

PRESENT Transportation Agency Employee of the Quarter to Laurie Williamson.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

DISCUSSION:

The Agency employees recognize Laurie for her professionalism, her positive attitude and her hard work overseeing construction of the Lincoln Avenue Extension and Salinas Station Improvements. They also appreciate her management of the Freeway Service Patrol and SAFE call box programs and her assistance with the security and management of Agency property on the former Ford Ord.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Employee of the Quarter- Laurie

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Laurie Williamson

has been selected by her colleagues at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County as the Employee of the Quarter for July 1 – September 30, 2019.

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On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, it is our great pleasure to recognize Laurie Williamson for her exemplary service.

Recognized By

Acknowledged By

*TAMC Chair
Robert Huitt*

*Executive Director
Debra L. Hale*

Date: October 23, 2019



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **2022 Regional Transportation Plan Update**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE presentation on process and timeline for 2022 Regional Transportation Plan and **PROVIDE INPUT** regarding Plan's development.

SUMMARY:

Ever four years, the Transportation Agency is responsible for developing an updated Regional Transportation Plan, pursuant to state and federal transportation planning requirements. The Agency has initiated work on the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan and staff will present a timeline of the plan process, and seek input for the draft goals and policy objectives.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The 2022 Regional Transportation Plan will be prepared in house by staff. The Plan's environmental document is budgeted by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments not to exceed \$225,000 of which TAMC will pay \$33,000. The Environmental Impact Report will cover the tri-county Metropolitan Transportation Plan as well as the Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito County Regional Transportation Plans. The Plan will include financial estimates for transportation projects in Monterey County through the 2045 horizon year of the plan. The 2018 Regional Transportation Plan's financial estimate identified a total of approximately \$4.9 billion in projected funding for transportation projects in Monterey County through the 2040 horizon year of the plan.

DISCUSSION:

The Regional Transportation Plan for Monterey County is a long range (20 year) plan, updated every four years. The Regional Transportation Plan forms the basis for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan prepared by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) for the Monterey Bay Area pursuant to Federal Highway Administration and Caltrans transportation planning requirements. As the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Monterey Bay Area, AMBAG incorporates the financial assumptions and project lists included in the Regional Transportation Plans for Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties into the Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

Pursuant to state and federal guidelines, the Regional Transportation Plan includes a countywide multi-modal needs assessment, transportation policy element, long-range funding forecast, funding-constrained project list, and a program-level environmental review document assessing the probable environmental impacts associated with implementation of the Plan. Public participation is sought after in the development of the Regional Transportation Plan for each of the project steps, and as adopted by AMBAG through the Monterey Bay Area Public Participation

Plan.

Staff has initiated the development of updated goals and policy objectives for the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan. Staff reviewed the 2017 Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines and began revising the Plan's 2018 goals and policy objectives to be more reflective of current projects and programs happening in Monterey County. Staff recommends aligning the 2022 RTP with the following overarching goals:

- Access & Mobility
- Safety & Health
- Environmental Stewardship
- Equity
- Economic Vitality

Proposed modifications to the 2018 goals and policy objectives include greater emphasis on geographic equity, integration of public health/health equity, habitat preservation and direct reflection of Measure X projects and programs, such as Go831 and Safe Routes to Schools. Staff requests that the Board provide input on regional priorities following the overview presentation.

Staff developed a draft timeline to provide stakeholders with an overview on Monterey County's Regional Transportation Plan process.

The projected schedule of activities include:

- **Dec. 2019 - TAMC Board Action:** Adoption of Goals, Policy Objectives and Performance Measures.
- **Jan - March 2020:** TAMC to develop updated project and program cost estimates in collaboration with the cities and the County.
- **April 2020:** TAMC to present draft project list and cost estimates to Technical Advisory Committee.
- **Jan/Feb 2021 - TAMC Board Action:** Adoption of final project list.
- **Dec. 2021 - TAMC Board Action:** Receive draft Regional Transportation Plan and release notice to public for review/comment.
- **Dec. 2021:** AMBAG to release Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan for public review and comment.
- **June 2022 - TAMC Board Action:** Approval of Final Regional Transportation Plan, adoption of CEQA findings and adoption of the joint Environmental Impact Report.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2022 Plan - TAMC Timeline

2022 RTP Update - TAMC's Draft Timeline

2019	2020	2021	2022	
<p style="text-align: center;">Sept. 2019 AMBAG to present to TAMC TAC</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Jan. 2020 AMBAG issue NOP for joint MTP/SCS EIR</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Jan-Dec 2021 Preperation of Draft EIR</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">March-May 2022 W/AMBAG - Respond to comments on Draft 2045 MTP/SCS</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Oct. 2019 TAMC to present to TAC - RTP Process and Timeline</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">April - Nov 2020 RTPA's update to project / program costs for AMBAG</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">BOARD ACTION Jan/Feb 2021 Board adoption of final project list</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;">Nov. 2019 TAMC to present to BPC - RTP Process and timeline</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">March/April 2020 TAMC to present to TAC on updating project list/costs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Feb 2021 Deadline to submit final project list to AMBAG</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">June 2022 AMBAG approves Final EIR and 2045 MTP/SCS</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">BOARD ACTION Dec. 2019 Board adoption of Goals, Policy Objectives, PMs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">June 2020 TAMC to complete local jurisdiction coordination on Master Plans</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">July-Dec 2021 AMBAG to Prepare Draft MTP/SCS</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">BOARD ACTION June 2022 Board approval of Final RTP and adoption of CEQA findings/joint EIR</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Sept. 2020 RTPA deadline for input on Growth Forecast/planned projects</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">BOARD ACTION Dec. 2021 Board to recieve draft RTP and release notice to public for review / comment</p>		
	<p style="text-align: center;">Nov. 2020 TAMC to present financial projections to EXEC</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Dec. 2021 AMBAG release Draft EIR for MTP/SCS for public review and comment</p>		
	<p style="text-align: center;">Dec. 2020 TAMC Draft Financial Revenue Projections</p>			

- AMBAG
- TAMC
- TAMC Board Action

2019 - 2022



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Rich Deal, Principal Engineer
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Update

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE an update on the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project

SUMMARY:

The Project involves safety and traffic flow improvements at each of the nine signalized intersections in the State Route 68 corridor between Josselyn Canyon Road to the west and San Benancio Road to the east. The project also includes wildlife crossings along the corridor to reduce wildlife crashes.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The environmental phase of the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement project is allocated \$6,000,000 of State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds and \$640,000 of Measure X funds. The design and right-of-way phase is scheduled to be funded with 2023/24 STIP funds. The Measure X Transportation Safety and Investment Plan anticipates allocating \$50 million towards construction of the project and matching state funds will be sought to cover the remaining cost.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Agency Board of Directors approved the State Route 68 Scenic Highway Plan at their August 2018 meeting. The State Route 68 Scenic Highway Plan evaluated current and future travel patterns between Salinas and the Monterey Peninsula, the feasibility of affordable mid-term operational and capacity improvements in the State Route 68 corridor in context to other planned regional improvements, and the potential for wildlife connectivity enhancements.

Approval of the State Route 68 Scenic Highway Plan included selecting Concept 1 (installation of roundabouts at major intersections) as the recommended option incorporating additional analysis of widening between San Benancio Road and Corral De Tierra Road as a design element of future roundabouts to improve operations at that location, incorporating additional analysis for improving access to Laguna Seca, and accommodating SR 68 widening that would occur as mitigation if the Ferrini Ranch development is constructed.

Since the plan was adopted, the project team (Caltrans and TAMC) have revised the proposed concepts to remove the roundabout at Torero and the widening from the project scope, as well as the roundabout at the former Robert Taylor entryway.

Caltrans is designated as the lead agency for the environmental process and has begun preparing the technical studies,

survey work, and preliminary engineering for two alternatives to improve intersection safety and traffic flow, in addition to a "no build" alternative:

Alternative 1 - Modify each signalized intersection

Alternative 2 - Install a roundabout at each intersection

Public outreach for the environmental phase of the Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement project began with a scoping meeting and release of the Notice of Preparation dated September 13, 2019. The public scoping meeting was held on October 3, 2019 at the Monterey-Salinas Transit Conference room from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Over 80 people attended.

Agency staff has begun meeting with property owners and other interested parties to learn about their priorities and concerns related to the project.



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **Monterey Branch Line Recreational Use Unsolicited Proposal**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE update and **PROVIDE DIRECTION** on the unsolicited proposal for interim use of the Monterey Branch Line right-of-way for a recreational enterprise.

SUMMARY:

On October 2, 2019, the Executive Committee discussed an unsolicited conceptual proposal and directed staff to bring the proposal to the Board of Directors for further direction. Options for the Board to consider: 1) direct staff to request the handcar proposers to present a detailed proposal per the adopted Policy for Unsolicited Proposals; 2) direct staff to reject the handcar proposal; or 3) direct staff to publish a request for proposals for a temporary recreational use of the Monterey Branch line tracks.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Per direction at the Executive Committee, staff has estimated staff time and legal costs only for the review of the detailed proposal at a conservative \$4,000, and staff would ask the proposers to compensate the Agency for those costs. The staff/legal time estimate would be closer to \$10,000 if directed to proceed with a Request for Proposals or to proceed to a handcar trial period. A minimal amount of lease revenues could be assumed to help cover these expenses. Delay to other agency priorities would need to occur as staff resources and funding were redirected. Potential liability costs could be significant, although every effort would be made to transfer those to the operator.

DISCUSSION:

In July 2019, TAMC staff received a letter and unsolicited proposal (see **attached** conceptual proposal and **web attachments**) from Mason and Todd Clark of the Museum of Handcar Technology LLC to use three miles of the Monterey Branch Line rail corridor (Marina to Seaside) for a one-month demo of tourist handcar operations in the summer of 2020. They propose to fence off a 70 foot by 10 foot area of the tracks near to the 5th Street underpass in Marina (within the Fort Ord Dunes State Park) to store their vehicles, and they propose to have employees and tourists park on TAMC property at 5th Street. Their estimated costs of \$56,000 does not include payment to the Agency for use of the tracks and property, nor does it include environmental review. They expect to make a small profit by running several handcar trips every day during the one-month demo.

This is not the first proposal TAMC has received for a recreational use of the Branch Line tracks, but it is the most developed. Previous proposals include a "rail riders" group that has modified bicycles to ride on rail tracks. Since the Museum of Handcar Technology does not propose a unique service, if the Board directs staff to proceed along this path, staff could prepare, publish and administer a Request for Proposals for a temporary recreational use of the

Monterey Branch line tracks.

Staff believes that while this is an interesting proposal, running a recreational service on the Monterey Branch Line does not support the Agency's core transportation goals. There would be a cost in terms of staff time to conduct a request for proposals, select an operator, and oversee the operations contract and there would be a risk of liability in the event of an accident. If extended beyond the trial period, the project could generate opposition to the planned Measure X "SURF" Highway 1 Busway project (slated for construction within five years) or the long-term plans for light rail service on the Monterey Branch Line.

In the past, working on unsolicited proposals involved substantial staff and legal counsel time to prepare an agreement, and in the end, the operator declined to accept the liability associated with the service. To move forward on this proposal, it would require an amendment to the Agency's work program and budget, since such a project falls outside current work elements. In addition, some level of work on existing project(s) would need to be delayed in order to prioritize work on this new concept.

Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) staff has expressed concerns about service compatibility issues between the planned MST Busway and the proposed handcar recreational enterprise. Generally, the busway would not be in direct conflict with the existing track and area as described in the handcar proposal, with exception of one conflict at the so-called "Balloon Spur". Due to existing topography of the area and elevated loop tracks on south end, MST is expecting to cut through the loop and remove a portion of this loop track for the busway lane running through. After that paving happens, the balloon loop would no longer be available as a turnaround or staging area for the handcar business. If the handcar trial period were successful and approved to extend further to the north or south from the trial area as proposed, at-grade crossings in Sand City/Seaside and Marina would be a serious concern. MST staff also expressed safety concerns with potentially increasing pedestrian activity near the proposed busway.

The Rail Policy Committee considered this proposal at its August 5, 2019 meeting, before TAMC had adopted its Policy for Unsolicited Proposals (**web attachment**). The Executive Committee reviewed the conceptual proposal on October 2 and provided direction to staff to bring the proposal to the full Board of Directors due to a 3-3 split vote. A vote to request the proposers submit a detailed proposal per the adopted Policy for Unsolicited Proposals failed 3-3, and a vote to reject the proposal failed 3-3. The Committee did not consider directing staff to publish a Request for Proposals for recreational use of the Monterey Branch Line, but that is also an option for the Board to consider.

Options for the Board to consider:

1. Direct staff to request the handcar proposers to present a detailed proposal per the adopted Policy for Unsolicited Proposals;
2. Direct staff to reject the handcar proposal; or
3. Direct staff to publish a request for proposals for a temporary recreational use of the Monterey Branch line tracks.

If the Board opts to direct staff to request proposers submit a detailed proposal (Phase 2 of the Unsolicited Proposals Policy), TAMC may include the following information in the request:

- An evaluation of the conceptual proposal;
- A description of the request for additional information process and purpose;
- A description of the problem or opportunity being addressed;
- Relevant background, context, parameters and policies;
- Functional, technical and legal requirements;
- Requests for other project related information related to scope, budget, schedule, personnel, risks, data, performance measurement, potential impacts, etc.; and
- Requests for specific modifications or clarifications to the scope of the original proposal.

In addition, staff would seek an agreement with the proposer to recover the costs of further evaluation of the

proposal, including staff time and outside costs, if needed. The detailed proposal would then be evaluated and presented to the Executive Committee for further direction. It is also possible for TAMC to pursue a competitive solicitation at that juncture, if warranted.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Handcar Conceptual Proposal

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

- [July 12, 2019 letter to TAMC from the Mason and Todd Clark, Museum of Handcar Technologies LLC re: Monterey Branch Line](#)
- [Website/proposal](#)
- [TAMC adopted Unsolicited Proposal Policy](#)

Conceptual Proposal Form

Submit only the information required by this form. If TAMC determines that the proposal should proceed, TAMC will issue a Request for a Detailed Proposal.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT SOME RECORDS MAY BE SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO A PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST.

PART 1: BASIC INFORMATION

Proposer Information:

Name: Museum Of Handcar Technology LLC,
Address: 26911 Ruether Ave, Suite P, Santa Clarita CA 91387
Further contact information: Todd Clark
Type of organization: Limited Liability Company
Technical personnel names & contact information:
Mason Clark, Project Engineer mason@handcar.com (661) 600-3822

Business personnel names & contact information :
Todd Clark, Business Affairs todd@handcar.com (661) 600-7590

These individuals should be responsible for answering TAMC's technical or business questions concerning the proposal or any subsequent agreement concerning the proposal.

PART 2: TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Title of the proposal: Recreational Handcar Tour Enterprise

X Abstract of the proposal is attached

To move forward in the Unsolicited Proposal process, the abstract must include a brief – but complete – discussion of the following:

1. Objectives
2. Method of approach
3. Nature and extent of anticipated results; and
4. Manner in which the work will help support accomplishment of TAMC's mission.

Technical expertise the proposer needs from TAMC: None

PART 3: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Proposed price or total estimated cost: \$56,000 (see detailed breakdown in attachment)

Revenue: \$59,500

Be concise but provide sufficient detail for TAMC to meaningfully evaluate the proposal.

Project Description

The Museum of Handcar Technology proposes to operate a recreational handcar tourism event across a portion of the unused Monterey Branch Line for a period of 30 days during the summer of 2020. The objective is to demonstrate the feasibility of establishing a year round handcar tourism enterprise on the branch line until funding can be secured to realize the establishment of light rail serving communities along the route.

Our approach is to host a temporary 30-day event to demonstrate the concept using our sitting down style handcars. We intend to clear the Monterey Branch Line of brush between the Highway 1 overpass in Marina, and proceeding south through the balloon loop, a distance of approximately three miles.

We intend to use the site of the former Fort Ord freight depot on the east side of the freeway for public parking through the duration of the demonstration. We will establish a temporary loading station next to the former spur using wooden step boxes for loading participant on and off handcars. Handcars will be stored inside a temporary ,70 foot long by 10 feet wide chain link fenced area to be erected by a fence contractor along the track. The fence will be removed at the end of the 30 day demonstration period.

We intend to charge a cost of \$80 per four-person handcar. This equates to \$20 per person for a fully loaded handcar. Over the period of 30 days we intend to host five one-hour tours daily, with a total trial period capacity of 4200 people. We anticipate carrying approximately 3500 people based on operating at 85% of capacity over the course of the event.

The Monterey Branch line last saw service in 1999 and has been unused since. Our use of the rail line will meet the Transportation Agency of Monterey County mission statement by enhancing economic activities. Use of the rail line will create jobs and add value to other activities in the region. Our unique enterprise will lead to more patronage for area restaurants, hotels, and tourist hotspots. Further, our enterprise entirely uses zero emission vehicles, providing a truly green experience.

Financial Projections

Expenses	
Brush Clearance	\$10,000
Temporary Fence Rental 60'x10'	\$2,000
Marketing	\$6,000
Insurance	\$10,000
Temporary Platform	\$5,000
Directional Signage	\$2,000
Agency Staff Costs	\$5,000
Tour Labor	\$5,000
Lodging Expense	\$7,000
Handcar Transport and storage	\$4,000
30 Day demonstration expenses	\$56,000
Income	
Per handcar	\$80
Cars per tour	7
Revenue per tour	\$560
Tours per day	5
Revenue per day	\$2,800
85% of capacity	\$2,380
Operating days	25
Total Income	\$59,500.00
Trial passenger capacity	4200



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant and Clerk of the Board
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **Reports from Transportation Providers**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE reports from Transportation Providers:

- Caltrans Director's Report and Project Update - Gubbins
- Monterey Peninsula Airport - Sabo
- Monterey-Salinas Transit - Sedoryk
- Monterey Bay Air Resources District - Stedman

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▢ Caltrans Project Update



PROJECT UPDATE – MONTEREY COUNTY

PREPARED FOR THE SEPTEMBER 25, 2019 TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY AGENCY MEETING

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

	Project	Location & Post Mile (PM)	Description	Construction Timeline	Construction Cost	Funding Source	Project Manager	Contractor	Comments
1.	Highway 1 Replace 7 Culverts on Mon-1 (1F080)	In Monterey County at various locations from 2.5 miles north to 67.3 miles north of the Monterey/San Luis Obispo County line (PM 2.5-67.3)	Culvert rehabilitation	Spring – Fall 2019	\$3 million	SHOPP	Ken Dostalek (RS)	Serafix Engineering Contractors, San Ramon, CA	Construction (excluding plant establishment) expected to be completed November 15, 2019.
2.	Highway 1 EFA Contract #05A1959 (1H780)	South of Gorda to Lucia (PM 8.23)	Remove slide at Mud Creek (PM 8.9) & Paul's Slide (PM 21.6)	Spring 2019— Winter 2019	Tentatively \$84 million	SHOPP	Zeke DeLlamas (RS)	John Madonna Construction San Luis Obispo, CA	Mud Creek - \$54 million & Paul's Slide - \$23 million.
3.	Highway 1 EFA Contract #05A2173 (1K560)	South of Gorda Mud Point (PM 8.5/9.5)	Repair/Enhance RSP Restore catchment areas	Spring 2019— Fall 2019	\$20.5 million	SHOPP	Berkeley Lindt (RS)	Crye Construction Morro Bay, CA	Project completion scheduled for end of October 2019.
4.	Highway 1 EFA Contract #05A2181 (1K610)	3 Locations (PM 18.2, 21,28.3)	Replace culvert and down drain, repair crib wall, clean out and repair rock nets	Spring 2019— Summer 2019	\$400,000	SHOPP	Berkeley Lindt (RS)	Chavez Construction San Luis Obispo, CA	Project completed in July.
5.	Highway 1 EFA #05A2162 (1K5404)	JP Burns/McWay Falls (PM 35.75/35.90)	JPB McWay Slipout Repair	Spring 2019— Summer 2019	\$600,000	SHOPP	Berkeley Lindt (RS)	Robert J. Frank Construction, Inc. Redding, CA	Project completed in August.
6.	Highway 1 Safety Upgrades: Hurricane Point to Rocky Creek Viaduct (1A000)	South of Bixby Creek Bridge to south of Rocky Creek Bridge (PM 58.3/59.8)	Shoulder widening, guardrail upgrades, potential retaining wall	March 18, 2019— Fall 2019	\$5.3 million	SHOPP	Ken Dostalek (PD)	Granite Construction Company of Watsonville, CA	Construction (excluding plant establishment) expected to be completed November 2, 2019.



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	Project	Location & Post Mile (PM)	Description	Construction Timeline	Construction Cost	Funding Source	Project Manager	Contractor	Comments
7.	Highway 1 EFA Contract #05A2172 (1K580)	Carmel Highlands (PM 69.6)	Replace Culverts and Repair Pavement	Summer 2019 Fall 2019	\$750,000	SHOPP	Berkeley Lindt (RS)	Granite Construction Company of Watsonville, CA	Phase 1 complete. Phase 2 starts early October.
8.	Highway 68 Pacific Grove Shoulder Widening (1C250)	Pacific Grove to Scenic Drive (PM 1.6/L4.0)	Shoulder widening, rumble strips, guardrail	Summer 2019	\$3.6 million	SHOPP	Carla Yu (RJ)	Granite Construction Company Watsonville, CA	Construction started July 30, 2019.
9.	US 101 Paris Valley 2R Rehab (1F740)	Near King City south of Paris Valley Road overcrossing to Rancho undercrossing (PM R28.0/R30.6)	Pavement rehabilitation	Summer 2019 - Winter 2020	\$26.9 million	SHOPP	Aaron Henkel (AN)	Papich Construction Company	Construction is ongoing. Lanes have been reduced to 1 lane each direction through project limits. Work is on the number 1 lane.
10.	US 101 Salinas CAPM (1F700)	North of Gonzales to East Market Street (PM 73.8/87.3)	Pavement preservation	Summer 2019- Summer 2020	\$24.1 million	SHOPP	David Silberberger	PS&E/RW	The project is in construction. Target project completion is July 2020.
11.	US 101 Salinas Rehabilitation (1C890)	East Market Street overcrossing to just south of Russell/Espinosa Road (PM 87.31/R91.5)	Roadway rehabilitation	Spring 2019 – Summer 2021	\$37 million	SHOPP	Aaron Henkel (TL)	Granite Rock Company, Watsonville, CA	Construction started, with primarily overnight work. Ramp reconstruction work is ongoing as well.



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12.	US 101 King City Combined Projects (1F75U4)	Near King City from South of Wild Horse Road to Teague Avenue	Pavement Rehabilitation, Seismic Retrofit with widening and median barrier	Spring 2019— Summer 2023	\$77.7 million	SHOPP	Aaron Henkel (TLang)	OHL, USA, Irvine, CA	Construction underway. Lanes have been reduced to 1 lane each direction from Wildhorse Rd to 1 st Street.
13.	TMS Detection Repair (1H990)	Various locations throughout District 5 (SRs 1, 17, 68, 156, 101) (PM Various)	Replace failed TMS Detection	Winter 2020	\$3 million	SB1 SHOPP	Brandy Rider	PS&E/RW	Project in final design, on schedule.

PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

	Project	Location & Post Mile (PM)	Description	Construction Timeline	Construction Cost	Funding Source	Project Manager	Phase	Comments
14.	Highway 1 Replace Culvert Near Limekiln Creek (0Q500)	Near Lucia south of Limekiln Bridge (PM 20.4)	Replace culvert and repair erosion	Fall 2021	\$1.5 million	SHOPP	Ken Dostalek	PA&ED	Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) completion date expected in December 2019.
15.	Highway 1 Big Sur CAPM (1F680)	From Torre Canyon Bridge to Carpenter Street (PM 39.8/74.6)	Pavement rehabilitation	Spring 2020 - Fall 2021	\$24 million	SB 1 SHOPP	Carla Yu	PA&ED	Design is complete, project advertised September 9, 2019, bids expected to open October 17, 2019.
16.	Highway 1 Castro Canyon Bridge Rail Upgrade (1H490)	At Castro Canyon Bridge (PM 43.1)	Replace bridge rail	Spring 2022	\$1.6 million	SHOPP	Ken Dostalek	PA&ED	Draft project report and environmental document expected to be completed December 2, 2019.



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PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

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17.	Highway 1 Little Sur Retaining Wall (1K050)	Between Little Sur River and North of Big Sur (PM 55.9/55.9)	Construct earth retaining system	Fall 2022	\$2.9 million	SHOPP	Carla Yu	PA&ED	Environmental studies are underway.
18.	Highway 1 Garrapata Creek Bridge Rail Replacement (1H800)	At Garrapata Creek Bridge (PM 62.97)	Bridge rail rehabilitation	Fall 2023	\$3 million	SHOPP	Carla Yu	PA&ED	Environmental studies are underway. Project is a “long lead” with a longer than normal environmental study period needed to develop a context sensitive solution for the bridge rail with historic structures.
19.	Highway 1 Garrapata Creek Bridge Rehab (1H460)	At Garrapata Creek Bridge (PM 63.0)	Electrochemical Chloride Extraction (ECE) of bridge structure	Spring 2023	\$10 million	SHOPP	Carla Yu	DESIGN	Project has entered Design Phase.
20.	Highway 68 Hwy 68 Curve Correction (1J460)	Near Pacific Grove West of Community Hospital Entrance (PM 0/0)	Improve superelevation, widen shoulders, install rumble strip	Fall 2023	\$7 million	SHOPP	Aaron Henkel	PA&ED	Project is in Design.
21.	Highway 68 Pacific Grove ADA Pathway (1H220)	From 17 Mile Drive to Congress Avenue (PM 0.5/0.8)	Provide accessible pathway	Winter 2022	\$0.75 million	SHOPP	Mike Lew	PS&E	PS&E began June 3, 2019.
22.	Highway 68 Pacific Grove CAPM (1H000)	From Forest Avenue to the SR 1/68 Junction (PM 1.1/L4.3)	Pavement preservation	Summer 2021	\$8 million	SHOPP	Carla Yu	DESIGN	Project is in Design Phase.



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PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT									
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23.	ZEV Project (1J040)	Camp Roberts Safety Roadside Rest Areas	Transportation infrastructure improvement for zero-emission vehicle charging.	Fall 2019	\$1.2 million	SHOPP	Aaron Henkel	PS&E/RW	Project has bid, working on co-op and award.
24.	US 101 Camp Roberts SRRRA Infrastructure Upgrade (1H020)	Northbound and southbound at the Camp Roberts Rest Area (PM R2.9/R5.3)	Safety roadside rest area infrastructure upgrade	Winter 2021	\$5.5 million	SHOPP	Barak Miles	PS&E/RW	Project is in Design.
25.	US 101 San Antonio River Bridge-Seismic Retrofit (1F820)	Near King City at the San Antonio River Bridge (PM R6.7)	Seismic retrofit 2 bridges	Winter 2021	\$11.9 million	SHOPP	Carla Yu	DESIGN	Project is in Design.
26.	US 101 North Soledad OH Deck Replacement (0F970)	North Soledad Bridge (PM 62.1/63.2)	Bridge replacement	Summer 2021	\$6.6 million	SHOPP	Ken Dostalek	PS&E/RW	Design is 95% complete. Project requires multiple agreements with Union Pacific Railroad that may extend the Design phase. Project scope may be limited to deck replacement depending on UPRR agreements. Expected to advertise for construction in March 2020.
27.	US 101 Monterey-San Benito Co Roadside Safety Improvements (1F900)	In Monterey and San Benito Counties North Gonzales to SCL Line (PM 73.0/96.8)	Roadside safety improvements	Fall 2020 - Spring 2021	\$4.5 million	SHOPP	Brandy Rider	PS&E/RW	Project in final design, on schedule.



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PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

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28.	US 101 Market Street Northbound On-ramp Improvements (1H050)	Near Salinas from East Market Street to South of Sherwood Drive (PM 87.4/87.8)	Roadway and Retaining Wall	Winter 2022- Fall 2023	\$4.7 million	SHOPP	David Silberberger	PA&ED	Work on the environmental document began in September 2018. The environmental document is expected to be completed in October 2019.
29.	US 101 Mon 101 Transportation Management System (0N200)	Near Salinas north of the Airport Blvd south of the San Miguel Canyon (86.0/95.8)	Construct Transportation Management System	Fall 2019- Summer 2020	\$1 million	SHOPP	David Silberberger	PS&E/RW	Construction is targeted to begin in October 2019.
30.	US 101 Prunedale Rehab (1H690)	Near Prunedale North of Boronda Road overcrossing to Monterey/San Benito County Line (PM R91.5/101.3)	Pavement rehabilitation	Winter 2022- Winter 2025	\$60 million	SB 1 SHOPP	David Silberberger	PA&ED	The environmental document is now expected to be completed in August 2021.
31.	Highway 156 Castroville Overhead (0A090)	On SR 156 between the SR 183/156 separation and Castroville Boulevard (PM R1.1/R2.1)	Replace Bridge Railing	Spring 2021- Summer 2022	\$4.5 million	SHOPP	David Silberberger	PS&E/RW	Design of the structure continues. Due to additional delays in the railroad process, the start date for construction has moved out to Spring of 2021.
32.	Highway 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange (31601)	At Castroville Boulevard (PM R1.6/R2.1 & 1.0/1.4)	Construct new interchange	Fall 2019 – Summer 2024	\$55 million	STIP Measure X Federal Demo	David Silberberger	PA&ED	Work is underway on the design and right of way for this project.



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PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

	Project	Location & Post Mile (PM)	Description	Construction Timeline	Construction Cost	Funding Source	Project Manager	Phase	Comments
33.	Highway 183 Castroville Improvement Project (1H650)	Community of Castroville from Del Monte Ave. to Washington St (PM R8.4/9.8)	Asset Management Pilot Project	Fall 2023- Summer 2025	\$16 million	SHOPP	David Silberberger	PA&ED	Work is underway on the environmental document.
34.	Highway 218 Seaside ADA (1H230)	From Del Monte Road to Fremont Boulevard (PM R0.2/L0.9)	ADA compliant pedestrian access	Spring 2022	\$1 million	SHOPP	Mike Lew	PS&E	PS&E began June 12, 2019.

ACRONYMS USED IN THIS REPORT:

ADA	Americans With Disabilities Act
EIR	Environmental Impact Report
PA&ED	Project Approval and Environmental Document
PS&E	Plans, Specifications, and Estimates
SB	Senate Bill, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017
SCL	Santa Clara County Line
SHOPP	Statewide Highway Operation and Protection Program
SR	State Route
TMS	Traffic Management System
R/W	Right of Way



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant and Clerk of the Board
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: TAMC Draft Minutes of September 25, 2019

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE minutes of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) the Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways, and the Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency for September 25, 2019.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▣ TAMC Draft Minutes of September 25, 2019

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 25, 2019 TAMC BOARD MEETING

Agricultural Center Conference Room

1428 Abbott Street, Salinas

TAMC BOARD MEMBERS	OCT 18	DEC 18	JAN 19	FEB 19	MAR 19	APR 19	MAY 19	JUN 19	AUG 19	SEP 19
L. Alejo, Supr. Dist. 1, 1st Vice Chair (L. Gonzales; J. Gomez)	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P
J. Phillips, Supr. Dist. 2, Past Chair (J. Stratton)	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P
C. Lopez, Supr. Dist. 3 (P. Barba)	P	P	P*	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)
J. Parker, Supr. Dist. 4 (W. Askew)	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P
M. Adams, Supr. Dist 5 (Y. Anderson)	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P
D. Potter, Carmel-by-the-Sea (J. Barrpn)	P	P	P*	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
A. Kerr, Del Rey Oaks (P. LIntell)	P	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Orozco, Gonzales (L. Worthy)	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P
A. Untalon, Greenfield (A. Tipton)	-	P	P*	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P
M. LeBarre, King City (C. DeLeon)	E	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
B. Delgado, Marina (F. O'Connell)	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P
E. Smith, Monterey, 2nd Vice Chair (A. Renny)	P	P	P	-	E	P	E	P	P	P
R. Huitt, Pacific Grove, Chair (N. Smith , D. Gho)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
S. Davis, Salinas (C. Cromones , J. Gunter)	P	P	P*	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P
Gregory Hawthorne, Sand City (J. Blackwelder)	P(A)	-	-	-	P	P	P	P(A)	P	-
I. Oglesby, Seaside (D. Pacheco)	P	P	P*	P	P	P	P	P	P	-
A. Chavez, Soledad (F. Ledesma)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
M. Twomey, AMBAG (H. Adamson, B. Patel , S. Vienna)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)
T. Gubbins, Caltrans, Dist. 5 (A. Loe, O. Monroy Ochoa , J. Olejnik, K. McClendon)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)
R. Stedman, Monterey Bay Air Resources District (A. Romero , D. Frisbey)	-	P	-	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	-
B. Sabo, Monterey Regional Airport District	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P
C. Sedoryk, Monterey-Salinas Transit (H. Harvath; L. Rheinheimer)	-	P	P(A)	P	P	P	-	P	P	P
T. Coffman-Gomez, Watsonville (L. Hurst)	-	P	P*	-	P	-	P	-	P	E
E. Ochoa, CSUMB (A. Lewis , L. Samuels)	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	P(A)	P(A)	-

TAMC STAFF	OCT 18	DEC 18	JAN 19	FEB 19	MAR 19	APR 19	MAY 19	JUN 19	AUG 19	SEP 19
S. Castillo, Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
D. Delfino, Finance Officer/Analyst	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Deal, Principal Engineer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R. Goel, Dir. Finance & Administration	E	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	E
A. Green, Sr. Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
D. Hale, Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Jacobsen, Transportation Planner									P	P
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Muck, Deputy Executive Director	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P
J. Ramirez, Go831 Coordinator									P	P
K. Reimann, Legal Counsel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
E. Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board/ Senior Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	E	P
L. Terry, Accountant Assistant	P	P	E	P	E	E	E	E	E	E
C. Watson, Principal Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
L. Williamson, Senior Trans. Engineer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
T. Wright, Community Outreach	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
M. Zeller, Principal Trans. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P

OTHERS PRESENT

Mario Romo	Access Monterey Peninsula	Eric Peterson	Salinas resident
Justin Riedmiller	Access Monterey Peninsula	Colleen Courtney	Office of Senator Bill Monning

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Huitt called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Elouise Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board confirmed a quorum was established. Board member Luis Alejo led the pledge of allegiance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public comment.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Kerr/Phillips/unanimous

The Board approved the consent agenda as follows:

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 28, 2019.
- 3.1.2** Accepted the list of checks written for August 2019 and credit card statements for the month of July 2019.
- 3.1.3** Received list of contracts awarded under \$50,000.
- 3.1.4** Regarding Request for Proposal for Computer & Information Technology Services:
 - 1. Approved the Request for Proposals Scope of Work for Computer & Information Technology Services, subject to counsel approval;
 - 2. Authorized staff to publish the Request for Proposals and return to the Board of Directors with a recommendation for approval of a consultant, including the final scope of work; and
 - 3. Approved the use of funds from the approved project budget for this contract in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.
- 3.1.5** Adopted Policy for Reviewing Unsolicited Proposals.

BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN, TRANSIT and SOCIAL SERVICES

- 3.2.1** Adopted Resolution 2019-11 allocating \$796,521 of Fiscal Year 2019-20 SB 1 State of Good Repair funds to Monterey-Salinas Transit to support bus procurement that will replace seven cutaway buses that have met their useful life.

PLANNING

- 3.3.1** Received update on federal transportation legislation and ratified the Executive Committee action to support the California Consensus Federal Transportation Reauthorization Principles.

3.3.2 Regarding Salinas Safe Routes to School Plan Partner Contracts:

1. Authorized the Executive Director to execute the following agreements related to the Salinas Safe Routes to School Plan, with the entities:
 - City of Salinas for an amount not to exceed \$72,116;
 - Monterey County Health Department for an amount not to exceed \$180,000; and
 - Ecology Action for an amount not to exceed \$690,000.
2. Authorized the use of Salinas Safe Routes to School grant funding, and Measure X Safe Routes to School grant funding, and Measure X Safe Routes to School Program funds as approved in the FY 19/20 budget; and
3. Authorized the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the agreements if such changes do not decrease services to be performed or increase the Agency's net cost, subject to approval by Agency Counsel.

3.3.3 Regarding Caltrans Planning Grant Applications:

1. Authorized staff to submit a Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant application to prepare a Carmel Area Highway 1 Corrido Study;
2. Approved the local grant match of up to \$66,040 from the Agency's Rural Planning Assistance funding; and
3. Authorized the Executive Director to accept grant funds, if awarded.

PROJECT DELIVERY and PROGRAMMING**3.4.1** Approved Resolution 2019-10 supporting route rescission and disposition of excess Prunedale Bypass Property.**3.4.2** Regarding Ride Amigos Contract Extension:

1. Authorized the Executive Director to enter into Amendment No. 1 to extend the contract with Right Click Solutions, Inc., dba Ride Amigos an additional 2 years, for an additional amount of \$60,000 not to exceed \$120,000 to continue providing ridesharing and trip planning software for TAMC's Go831 Program;
2. Approved the use of \$60,000 of Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways (SAFE) funds budgeted for this purpose; and
3. Authorized the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the contract if such changes do not decrease services or increase the Agency's net cost, pending approval by Agency counsel.

3.4.3 Regarding Safe Routes to School Program Implementation Agreement:

1. Approved and Authorized the Executive Director to execute a TAMC standard agreement with Ecology Action, subject to approval by Agency Counsel, in an amount not to exceed \$979,329 to assist in the delivery of the Every Child: Community-Supported Safe Routes to School grant work and expand the Measure X Safe Routes to School Program implementation, including an initial three-year contract and three optional one-year contract extensions;
2. Approved the use of Active Transportation Program Grant and Measure X Safe Routes to School Program funds budgeted to this project; and
3. Authorized the Executive Director to enter into up to three additional one-year contract extensions, provided the additional funds for such extensions do not exceed the amount of \$200,000 per year for a total aggregate amount over six years not to exceed \$1,579,329; and
4. Authorized the Executive Director to take such other further actions as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the Agreement, including approvals of future modifications or amendments that do not significantly alter the scope of work, or change the approved Agreement term or amount.
- 5.

RAIL PROGRAM

3.5.1 No items this month.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE

3.6.1 No items this month.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

3.7.1 Accepted draft minutes from Transportation Agency committees:

- Executive Committee – September 4, 2019
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee – September 4, 2019
- Technical Advisory Committee – September 5, 2019
- Rail Policy Committee – No Meeting
- Excellent Transportation Oversight Committee (xTOC) – No Meeting

3.7.2 Received Transportation Agency for Monterey County correspondence for September 2019.

4. CLOSED SESSION

The Board held a closed session regarding Public Employee Performance Evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section §54957 -Position: Executive Director and Legal Counsel.

Chair Huitt reconvened the meeting and reported that the Board evaluated the Executive Director and Agency Counsel, and there was no reportable information.

5. INTEGRATED FUNDING PLAN FOR PRIORITY PROJECTS

The Board received and provided comments on the preliminary draft Integrated Funding Plan for priority regional transportation projects.

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, presented an initial review of available fund sources over the next five to seven years and a proposed strategy for funding and delivering the Agency's priority projects. Board Chair Robert Huitt described the Integrated Funding Plan as "one of the best tools" TAMC has developed, for it clarifies complex transportation funding relationships and puts everything in perspective. The updated Integrated Funding Plan identifies Measure X sales tax revenues, regional development fees, State Transportation Investment Program funds, SB 1 competitive funds, and Local Partnership formula funds as potentially available sources of funding. The Integrated Funding Plan strategizes how to best match availability of funds with the latest delivery schedules for priority regional transportation projects. The Plan's purpose is to ensure that the Agency is coordinating the programming of various funding sources in the most efficient manner, as well as, identifying and pursuing available sources of matching funds for Measure X and State Transportation Improvement Program funds.

6. MEASURE X ORDINANCE AMENDMENT PUBLIC HEARING

The Board held a Measure X Ordinance Amendment Public Hearing and:

1. Received a presentation on the draft Ordinance 2019-01 to revise the Measure X Maintenance of Effort definition;
2. Held a public hearing on the draft Ordinance 2019-01;
3. Received no public comments; and
4. Closed the public hearing.

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the purpose of the Maintenance of Effort requirement is to assure that no funds previously used for transportation are shifted to other uses and then back-filled with Measure X monies - the so-called "bait and switch". Measure X currently has a rolling three-year average calculation of Maintenance of Effort. By contrast, the state's Senate Bill 1 program calculates Maintenance of Effort based on a fixed three years of past expenditures (Fiscal Years 2009/2010, 2010/2011, and 2011/2012). The goal of modifying the Measure X Maintenance of Effort is to meet the Measure X Maintenance of Effort intent without penalizing agencies that make a large one-time investment in transportation.

The proposed amendment will change the method for calculating the existing ordinance's required maintenance of effort to be the greater of the SB 1 requirement, or the amount local funds spent in fiscal year 2016/17, plus the recommendation from the Measure X Citizen Advisory Committee to include an annual growth factor.

Board member Smith commented that the revised Maintenance of Effort requirement is a good thing that preserves future assets and makes sure the Agency keeps an eye on inflationary factors. He added that he appreciates the work that the advisory committee has done on this issue.

7. LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE CONTRACT AMENDMENT**M/S/C** Smith/Huitt

The Committee voted 8-4, and the motion passed.

Ayes: Adams, Barba, Chavez, Huitt, Phillips, LeBarre, Orozco, Smith

Noes: Alejo, Delgado, Kerr and Untalon

1. The Board approved contract amendment #3 with Khouri Consulting to extend the time of the contract by 12 months to October 31, 2020 and increase the payment to \$4,000 per month;
2. Approved the use of agency funds budgeted for legislative activities; and
3. Authorized the Executive Director to take such 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.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, presented the draft contract amendment and the history of the solicitation for state legislative services. She noted that the proposed amendment of \$4,000 per month is a compromise approved by the Executive Committee between the previous contract amount of \$3,000 per month and the proposed increase by Mr. Khouri to \$5,000 per month.

Board member Alejo reported that he would not support the contract amendment increase, noting this is an unreasonable increase and he did not feel that there was enough work to merit the raise.

Board member Smith commented that Mr. Khouri started out at a lower amount than he would normally accept with the understanding that the Agency would consider an increase in the future. Mr. Smith noted that Khouri has provided TAMC with better exposure and results and is a vast improvement over the Agency's prior services. He concluded that it is time to bring his compensation into line with what others are paying.

Past Chair Phillips commented that he supports the motion and noted that the Executive Committee meeting had a robust discussion and considered that other jurisdictions are paying more than TAMC; Mr. Phillips noted this compromise is the middle ground. Board member LeBarre thanked Mr. Alejo for urging the Executive Committee to offer a compromise to Mr. Khouri, noting that he finds the compromise fair.

8. REPORTS FROM TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS

Caltrans – Aileen Loe announced that Governor Newsom appointed a new Caltrans Director, Toks Omishakin, from Tennessee Department of Transportation, and has appointed long-time Caltrans employee Jim Davis as the Caltrans Chief Deputy. The Governor’s Executive Order proposing new priorities for climate resilience, health and equity: electric vehicle infrastructure and multimodal funding, Ms. Loe noting she is not sure how it the Executive Order will advise state funding strategies. In conclusion, Ms. Loe announced on October 3, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Caltrans and TAMC will be hosting a Highway 68 EIR scoping meeting at Monterey Salinas Transit, 19 Upper Ragsdale, Suite 100.

Monterey Regional Airport District – Bill Sabo reported that traffic counts at the airport are strong. He announced that the American Airlines flight to Dallas has been extended to December. He noted that that United Airlines is cutting back the Denver flight to once a week, instead of 2 flights per week, adding that airports are struggling with time delays occurring due to runway construction at San Francisco Airport. Monterey Airport is talking with Allegiant about adding inbound flights to bring more people into Monterey. The Airport has received FAA funding to make taxiway improvements. He announced that the Salinas Airport “Young Eagles” program takes children between 8 and 17 on free airplane rides and encouraged Board members to refer interested parties to the program.

Monterey-Salinas Transit District – Carl Sedoryk, General Manager, announced that MST is offering free fares for Hartnell and Monterey Peninsula College students. The Free Rides Program has increased ridership to Hartnell College by 75%. He noted that the free fare zone at Monterey Peninsula College is also popular. In August, MST kicked off a micro-transit demonstration project in south County cities and Marina, and has added a new app for their “on-call” service. This Trans-Loc Application allows riders to view the schedule of service and get real time travel information.

Board member Delgado asked for information on the status of the MST bus operator recruitment, Mr. Sedoryk replied that they are receiving plenty of applications, but it is hard for applicants to meet the stringent safety and training program requirements; he noted that for every 100 applications received, 5 individuals graduate into bus driving.

Monterey Bay Air Resources District – No report

California State University Monterey Bay – No report

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

None this month.

10. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Hale announced that October is Smart Commuter Month and referred Board members to the flyer on the dais for more information. She reported that learned at the California Council of Governments on September 24, 2019, noting everyone was concerned with the Governor Executive Order proposing to shift funds completely away from projects that aren't specifically transit, rail or active transportation modes, which could affect funding for safety and freight projects. Director Hale also announced that on October 8, 2019, she will attend a hearing on Interregional Transportation Improvement Program to remind the California Transportation Commission that the US 101 South of Salinas project is still a critical safety need and will request interregional funding in the 2022 program.

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

None this month.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Huitt adjourned the meeting at 10:54 a.m.



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Dave Delfino, Finance Officer / Analyst
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: TAMC payments for the month of September 2019

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ACCEPT the list of checks written for the month of September 2019 and credit card statements for the month of August 2019.

SUMMARY:

The list of checks and copies of credit card statements are submitted to the Transportation Agency Board each month in accordance with the recommendation from the Transportation Agency's independent Certified Public Accountant to keep the Board informed about the Transportation Agency's financial transactions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The checks processed this period total \$1,476,231.68 which, included checks written for September 2019 and payments of the August 2019 Platinum Plus for Business Credit Card statement.

DISCUSSION:

During the month of September 2019 normal operating checks were written, as well as a check for \$16,495.49 to HDR Engineering Inc. for engineering services for Salinas Rail Extension Kick-Start Project, a check for \$1,320.00 to Ward, Ruhnke & Dost Architects, LLP for design services for the Fort Ord Property, two checks totaling \$24,238.20 to AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for services for the Monterey County Regional Conversation Investment Strategy, a check for \$1,400.00 to ERSI Inc. for GIS software, a check for \$4,025.00.00 to AMF Media Group for graphic design services, a check for \$1,400.00 to GovInvest Inc. for GASB 68 actuarial services, a check for \$18,679.14 to Associated Right of Way Services Inc. for right of way services for the Salinas Rail Extension Kick-Start Project, a check for \$36,256.75 to MNS Engineers, Inc. for construction management services for the Salinas Rail Extension Kick-Start Project, a check for \$2,490.00 to the Arts Council for Monterey County for the art for the Castroville Bike and Ped Bridge and a check for \$1,100,000.00 to Monterey County Treasurer to transfer funds to TAMC County Account 691.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▣ Checks September 2019
- ▣ Credit Cards August 2019

Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)
 Union Bank Operating Account
 September 2019

DATE	ITEM NAME	CHECK	DEPOSIT	DESCRIPTION
09/03/2019 EFT	CalPers Health Benefits			
09/03/2019 EFT	TAMC County Acct. 691	10,266.92		Employee Benefit
09/06/2019 DEP	SDRMA		100,000.00	Funds Transfer From TAMC County Acct. 691
09/06/2019 DEP	WEX Inc.		1,739.71	Workers Compensation Refund & Reimbursement of Desktop
09/06/2019 DEP	Marina Concrete, Lithia, P & S Real Estate, Newton Bros., and Haedrich		13.28	Refund of Expense
09/06/2019 19009	United Way of Monterey County		6,742.25	Railroad Right of Way Rent
09/06/2019 19010	AAMCOM LLC	70.00		Employee Deduction - Charitable
09/06/2019 19011	AECOM Technical Services, Inc.	221.00		SAFE Call Box - Answering Service
09/06/2019 19012	Alvarez Technology Group, Inc.	15,221.90		Services for the Monterey County Regional Conservation Investment Strategy
09/06/2019 19013	AT & T (Carol Stream, Il.)	275.38		Computer Support
09/06/2019 19014	Case Systems Inc.	394.64		Telecommunications, Call Box and Rideshare - Phone Service
09/06/2019 19015	ERSI, Inc.	6,521.71		SAFE Call Box - Maintenance
09/06/2019 19016	Fedex (Postage)	1,400.00		GIS Software
09/06/2019 19017	Office of the County Counsel	30.04		Delivery Service
09/06/2019 19018	The Maynard Group	7,412.91		Legal Services
09/06/2019 19019	Verizon Wireless	374.80		Telecommunications
09/06/2019 19020	Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce	95.71		Call Box - Phone Service
09/06/2019 EFT	Payroll	75.00		Employee Training
09/06/2019 EFT	United States Treasury	47,416.77		Payroll
09/06/2019 EFT	EDD	11,612.44		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/06/2019 EFT	EDD	4,353.70		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/06/2019 EFT	Pers Retirement	50.92		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/06/2019 EFT	Pers Retirement PEPRA	9,204.05		Employee Benefits
09/06/2019 EFT	CalPERS	1,445.61		Employee Benefits
09/06/2019 EFT	Christina Watson	7,416.19		Employee Benefits
09/06/2019 EFT	Rich Deal	1,092.39		Travel Advance for Rail volution - Vancouver
09/06/2019 EFT	Elouise Rodriguez	828.69		Reimbursement of 125 Plan & ITE Conference Registration
09/06/2019 EFT	Dave Delfino	231.85		Reimbursement of Office & Meeting Supplies
09/09/2019 EFT	State of California	120.00		Reimbursement of 125 Plan
09/09/2019 EFT	State of California		117,441.92	Grant Funds for Safe Routes to School - Seaside/Marina
09/10/2019 19029	Void		43,558.01	Rural Planning Funds - 4th Quarter 18/19
09/12/2019 19030	Monterey County Clerk	0.00		Void
09/13/2019 19021	Alvarez Technology Group, Inc.	50.00		Filing Fee for Notice of Determination
09/13/2019 19022	Delta Dental	1,425.00		Computer Support
09/13/2019 19023	Enterprise Rent-a-Car	953.64		Employee Benefits
09/13/2019 19024	FedEx (Printing)	64.67		Auto Rental
09/13/2019 19025	GovInvest Inc.	481.75		Agenda Printing
09/13/2019 19026	Khoury Consulting LLC	1,400.00		GASB 68 Actuarial
09/13/2019 19027	Plaza Circle, Ltd	3,000.00		Legislative Consultant
09/13/2019 19028	The Maynard Group	35.00		Office Rent
09/19/2019 EFT	State of California	338.28		Telecommunications
09/20/2019 19031	United Way of Monterey County	70.00	106,656.12	SB1 LPP - FORTAG Grant Funds
09/20/2019 19032	AECOM Technical Services, Inc.	9,016.30		Employee Deduction - Charitable
09/20/2019 19033	Alliant Insurance	4,402.76		Services for the Monterey County Regional Conservation Investment Strategy
09/20/2019 19034	AMF Media Group	4,025.00		Liability Insurance for SAFE & RDIF
				Graphic Design Services

Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)
 Union Bank Operating Account
 September 2019

DATE	ITEM NAME	CHECK	DEPOSIT	DESCRIPTION
09/20/2019 19035	Arts Council for Monterey County			
09/20/2019 19036	Case Systems Inc.	2,490.00		Services for the Art for the Castroville Bike and Ped Bridge
09/20/2019 19037	Comcast	6,684.72		SAFE Call Box - Maintenance
09/20/2019 19038	De Lage Landen Financial Services	143.41		Telecommunication
09/20/2019 19039	HDR Engineering Inc.	285.75		Office Copier Lease
09/20/2019 19040	Lincoln National Life Insurance Co.	16,495.49		Engineering Services Salinas Rail Extension Kick-Start Project
09/20/2019 19041	MNS Engineers, INC.	752.90		Employee Benefits
09/20/2019 19042	Monterey Bay Economic Partnership	36,256.75		Construction Management Services for Salinas Rail Extension Kick-Start Project
09/20/2019 19043	Office Depot	99.00		Registration for Event
09/20/2019 19044	Oppidea, LLC	784.29		Office and Meeting Supplies
09/20/2019 19045	Peninsula Messenger LLC	2,335.00		Accounting Services
09/20/2019 19046	Pure Water	250.00		Courier Service
09/20/2019 19047	Sentry Alarm Systems	60.45		Water
09/20/2019 19048	Wald, Ruhnke & Dost Architects, LLP	283.50		Office Security
09/20/2019 19049	Alliant Insurance	1,320.00		Design Services for Fort Ord Property
09/20/2019 19050	Business Card	25,661.29		Liability Insurance
09/20/2019 EFT	Payroll	4,202.45		Office and Business Supplies, Staff Travel & Professional Training
09/20/2019 EFT	United States Treasury	47,003.55		Payroll
09/20/2019 EFT	EDD	11,533.92		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/20/2019 EFT	EDD	4,397.16		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/20/2019 EFT	Pers Retirement	41.84		Payroll Taxes & Withholding
09/20/2019 EFT	Pers Retirement PEPRA	9,204.05		Employee Benefits
09/20/2019 EFT	CalPERS	1,445.61		Employee Benefits
09/20/2019 EFT	Todd Muck	7,416.19		Employee Benefits
09/24/2019 19051	Monterey County Treasurer	2,000.00		Reimbursement of 125 Plan
09/25/2019 EFT	State of California	1,100,000.00		Funds Transfer to TAMC County Acct. 691
09/25/2019 EFT	Union Bank		1,461,945.22	Traffic Congestion Relief Funds for Salinas Rail
09/26/2019 EFT	Graniterock	47.68		Bank Service Charges
09/26/2019 DEP	State of California		7,804.37	Railroad Right of Way Rent
09/26/2019 DEP	State of California		17,670.93	Grant Funds for Pajaro to Prunedale Traffic Studies
09/26/2019 DEP	Newton Bros. , Saroyan and Jaguar		19,564.69	Grant Funds for HWY 128
09/26/2019 DEP	State of California		5,353.24	Railroad Right of Way Rent
09/26/2019 DEP	County of Monterey		35,882.68	SAFE - Revenue July 2019
09/27/2019 19052	Associated Right of Way Services Inc.		2,799.06	Rail Project Property Tax Refund
09/27/2019 19053	Calcog	18,679.14		Right of Way Services for Salinas Rail Extension Kick-Start Project
09/27/2019 19054	Enterprise Rent-a-Car	11,600.00		Calcog Leadership Training - to be Reimbursed from RPA
09/27/2019 19055	Monterey Bay Economic Partnership	64.67		Auto Rental
09/27/2019 19056	Overland, Pacific & Cutler, Inc.	5,000.00		Membership Association Dues
09/27/2019 19057	Plaza Circle, Ltd	115.52		Appraisal for Cal American Water Easement
09/27/2019 19058	Appraisal for Cal American Water Easement	7,988.65		Office Rent
		193.68		Employee Benefits
TOTAL		1,476,231.68	1,927,171.48	

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\$49.00 for balance equal to or greater than \$5,000.01

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Account Summary

Previous Balance \$2,089.87
Payments and Other Credits **-\$2,089.87**
Balance Transfer Activity \$0.00
Cash Advance Activity \$0.00
Purchases and Other Charges \$3,552.45
Fees Charged \$0.00
Finance Charge \$0.00
New Balance Total \$3,552.45
Credit Limit \$7,600
Credit Available \$4,047.55
Statement Closing Date 09/04/19
Days in Billing Cycle 31

Transactions

Posting Date	Transaction Date	Description	Reference Number	Amount
Payments and Other Credits				
08/19	08/18	PAYMENT - THANK YOU		-2,089.87
TOTAL PAYMENTS AND OTHER CREDITS FOR THIS PERIOD				-2,089.87
Purchases and Other Charges				
08/06	08/05	STAR MARKET SALINAS CA		43.08
08/08	08/06	STARBUCKS STORE 06629 SALINAS CA		17.95
08/08	08/06	ALLIANCE CAREER TRAINI 831-7558200 CA		885.00
08/08	08/06	DEVICE MAGIC INC RALEIGH NC		150.00

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Transactions

Posting Date	Transaction Date	Description	Reference Number	Amount
08/08	08/07	NOB HILL #607 SALINAS CA		133.68
08/09	08/07	THE BAGEL CORNER SALINAS CA		20.05
08/09	08/07	DELLA-ROSE DELI SALINAS CA		41.10
08/09	08/08	TSHEETS 8888362720 ID		1,008.00
08/12	08/08	GTS EDUCATIONAL EVENTS ST. PAUL MN		595.00
08/14	08/12	OFFICEMAX/DEPOT 6260 SALINAS CA		148.01
08/21	08/21	ULINE *SHIP SUPPLIES 800-295-5510 WI		73.33
08/21	08/20	DREAMHOST DH-FEE.COM 877-8294070 CA		8.48
08/22	08/21	CHEVRON 0206386 SALINAS CA		12.00
08/23	08/22	GRAINGER 877-2022594 IL		276.87
08/26	08/22	STARBUCKS STORE 06629 SALINAS CA		100.00
08/29	08/27	STARBUCKS STORE 06629 SALINAS CA		39.90
TOTAL PURCHASES AND OTHER CHARGES FOR THIS PERIOD				\$3,552.45


Finance Charge Calculation

Your **Annual Percentage Rate (APR)** is the annual interest rate on your account.

	Annual Percentage Rate	Balance Subject to Interest Rate	Finance Charges by Transaction Type
PURCHASES	17.99%	\$0.00	\$0.00
CASH	26.24% V	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Minimum Payment Due **\$10.00**
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Account Summary

Previous Balance \$81.68
Payments and Other Credits **-\$81.68**
Balance Transfer Activity \$0.00
Cash Advance Activity \$0.00
Purchases and Other Charges \$650.00
Fees Charged \$0.00
Finance Charge \$0.00
New Balance Total \$650.00
Credit Limit \$5,000
Credit Available \$4,350.00
Statement Closing Date 09/04/19
Days in Billing Cycle 31

Transactions

Posting Date	Transaction Date	Description	Reference Number	Amount
Payments and Other Credits				
08/19	08/18	PAYMENT - THANK YOU		- 81.68
TOTAL PAYMENTS AND OTHER CREDITS FOR THIS PERIOD				-\$81.68
Purchases and Other Charges				
08/28	08/27	MAILCHIMP *MONTHLY MAILCHIMP.COMGA		50.00
08/29	08/27	SELF - HELP COUNTIES C SACRAMENTO CA		600.00
TOTAL PURCHASES AND OTHER CHARGES FOR THIS PERIOD				\$650.00

Account Number
August 05, 2019 - September 04, 2019

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Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Rita Goel, Director of Finance & Administration
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **Contracts awarded under \$50,000**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE list of contracts awarded under \$50,000.

SUMMARY:

The list of contracts awarded by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for services under \$50,000 approved by the Executive Director is submitted each month in accordance with the Agency's Procurement Policies to keep the Board informed.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The revenue source for each specific contract is in the approved Agency budget or has been approved by a specific Agency Board action.

DISCUSSION:

The Procurement Policies of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County state that contracts for services and annual extensions of such contracts for \$50,000 or less may be approved by the Executive Director, if the revenue source for the specific contract is in the approved Agency budget or is approved by a specific Agency Board action. The policies also require the Executive Director to submit a report to the Board identifying any contracts valued at \$50,000 and under, entered into in the preceding quarter.

The attached list of contracts awarded by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County for services under \$50,000 approved by the Executive Director is submitted each month to keep the Board informed.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Contracts under \$50,000

NOTE: Contracts for services and annual extensions of such contracts for \$50,000 or less may be approved by the Executive Director, if the revenue source for the specific contract is in the approved Agency budget or is approved by a specific Agency Board action. The Executive Director shall include a quarterly report to the Board identifying any contracts valued at \$50,000 and under, entered into in the preceding quarter.

**Contracts Under \$50,000
(but greater than \$5,000)
Board Report date: October 2019**

Staff	Consulting Firm	Contract Activity	Start Date	End Date	Contract amount	WE	Fund Source
Laurie	Whitson	Fort Ord infrastructure mapping	9/16/2019	12/31/19	\$20,000	6805	Lease Revenues



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **Conferences and Training Attended by Agency Staff**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE report on conferences or trainings attended by agency staff.

SUMMARY:

Agency staff attend conferences or trainings at Agency expense that are pertinent to their roles in pursuing the Agency's mission. These events allow the staff to stay current and participate in the development of transportation practices and policies related to their roles.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Expenses related to staff training are included in the Travel and Training item in the adopted Agency budget.

DISCUSSION:

On September 6 - 11, Executive Director Hale and Principal Transportation Engineer Deal attended the American Public Works Association Public Works Exposition in Seattle, Washington. The event provided the opportunity to participate in Committee meetings, learn and share information on innovative local transportation ideas, network with other public works professionals around the country, and celebrate recognition of transportation expertise in the Monterey Bay Area.

On September 8 - 11, 2019, Principal Transportation Planner Christina Watson attended the Rail~Volution Conference in Vancouver, Canada. This was an excellent networking opportunity with rail, transit, active transportation, and transit-oriented development professionals around the country. Sessions Christina attended ranged from using big and small data for planning to planning for climate resiliency.

Summaries for each of these conferences are attached.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ❑ American Public Works Association Conference Summary
- ❑ Rail~Volution Conference Summary



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Debbie Hale, Executive Director
Rich Deal, Principal Transportation Engineer
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: American Public Works Association Public Works Expo

From September 6 through September 11, Executive Director Hale and Principal Transportation Engineer Deal attended the American Public Works Association Public Works Exposition in Seattle, Washington.

The event provided the opportunity to participate in Committee meetings, learn and share information on innovative local transportation ideas, network with other public works professionals around the country, and celebrate recognition of transportation expertise in the Monterey Bay Area.

Director Hale participated in the Government Affairs Committee meeting, which included final approval of the Federal Surface Transportation Reauthorization principles that would guide the Association's advocacy efforts for a new transportation bill. She toured the area's bicycle network and brought back ideas for the Transportation Agency team on pavement markings, separated paths and independent bicycle signals. She also led a panel highlighting three transportation award winners, including Caltrans' Highway 1 Mud Creek Slide repair project.

Ms. Hale and the Monterey Bay Chapters attended the awards ceremony to support Mr. Deal, who received the national Exceptional Performance in Safety award. Through networking with peers, Ms. Hale received information on the new Caltrans Director, Toks Omashakin, who got excellent marks from Tennessee APWA members through his work with the Tennessee Department of Transportation. Mr. Omashakin is featured in this video promoting ridesharing: <https://brentwoodhomepage.com/tdot-planner-commuting-alone-is-biggest-transit-challenge/>.

Principal Engineer Deal attended workshops and sessions that dug into the technical aspects of public works projects for innovative bike facilities, pedestrian safety

treatments, traffic operations, and successful public outreach techniques. Mr. Deal presented exceptional safety solutions in one panel session, which highlighted various projects on the Monterey Peninsula with deep emphasis on critical safety elements of each design. Mr. Deal attended the expo trade show and learned about new products in pavement management, pavement treatments, traffic signal equipment, and construction heavy equipment. The opening session probed the public works role in the current issue baffling most agencies of homelessness, which spurred discussions throughout the conference.



Memorandum

To: Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director
From: Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: 2019 Rail~Volution Conference

On September 8-11, 2019, I attended the Rail~Volution Conference in Vancouver, Canada. This was an excellent networking opportunity with rail, transit, active transportation, and transit-oriented development professionals around the country. The program of the conference is available here: <https://railvolution.org/>. Highlights of some of the sessions I attended:

- **Labor's changing roles in public transit:** The role of labor unions in public transit is changing as it evolves with technology: driverless train systems will displace operators, require retraining, and raise safety questions. Speakers suggested transit agencies should use:
 - Community benefits agreements
 - Project labor agreements, a.k.a. community workforce agreements
- **Climate resiliency:** The consequences of climate change are increasingly on the minds of agencies, engineers and designers as they look to the future of infrastructure. Planning for uncertainties is never easy, but the consequences of inaction are potentially severe, costly and disruptive. Some examples:
 - 100 resilient cities initiative: <http://www.100resilientcities.org/>
 - Resilient By Design: <http://www.resilientbayarea.org/>
 - Alviso Wetland Study: <https://resilientca.org/case-studies/alviso-wetland-railroad-adaptation-alternatives/>
- **Transit governance and transit ridership:** Some transit agencies have elected boards; some have appointed boards. Some only provide local bus service; others operate at a regional scale. Mission, governance and geographical coverage can affect the efficiency and effectiveness of service. Artificial political boundaries between jurisdictions can impede service to transit-dependent riders.
 - Seamless Bay Area (<https://www.seamlessbayarea.org/>) was founded in 2017 to help the 9-county/ 27-transit-agency San Francisco Bay Area be more unified and easier for riders to understand.
- **Big and small data:** Technology makes it easier to efficiently collect reliable data from multiple sources and use it to gain valuable insights for planning first- and last-mile connections, developing regional plans, designing public spaces, improving sidewalks,

planning sustainable communities, and improving users' experiences. Some companies providing big data services:

- Streetlight Data uses mobile phone location data to describe current travel behavior to help with transportation planning: <https://www.streetlightdata.com>
- Urban Footprint has information on land use, sea level rise, accessibility, fire hazard zones, and other pertinent data to assist in land use planning: <https://urbanfootprint.com/>



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: Transportation Excellence Awards Nominations

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE the call for nominations for the 18th annual Transportation Excellence awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County.

SUMMARY:

Transportation Agency would like to encourage and appreciate the efforts made by Monterey County residents, businesses and employees to improve transportation in Monterey County by awarding Transportation Excellence Awards. Staff encourages Board members to submit nominations, which are due by December 6, 2019. The awards ceremony will take place during the regular January 22, 2020 Transportation Agency Board meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

DISCUSSION:

Transportation Agency for Monterey County would like to show its appreciation to the local community for its outstanding efforts to improve transportation in Monterey County. The program has award categories for individuals, businesses/groups, programs or projects. Examples of potential awards include but are not limited to:

- Transportation employees who excel at their jobs and go the extra mile to improve our transportation system.
- Innovative activities that promote more efficient use of the local transportation network.
- Citizens or organizations that have made significant efforts to inform and educate the public about transportation issues.
- Successful efforts to improve transit services and encourage the use of smart commute options as alternatives to driving alone through the Go831 Smart Commute Program.

Board members are encouraged to distribute nomination forms and nominate projects, groups or individuals to be recognized for their contributions to transportation in Monterey County.

The nomination form is attachment 1 and is also available on the Transportation Agency website. The form can be submitted online, mailed to Transportation Agency offices or faxed to the attention of Theresa Wright. The deadline for nominations is December 6, 2019. The Transportation Agency Executive Committee will select the awards recipients at its January meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

▣ 2019 Transportation Excellence Awards Nomination Form

Transportation Excellence Awards



Awards Program Nomination form (Please fill out form completely)

1. Name of Nominee

Give name and address of individual (provide title), firm, group, or organization.

Nominee: _____

Category: (circle one) **Individual** **Business/Group** **Program** **Project**

Address: _____ Email: _____

City: _____ Zip _____ Phone: _____

If Nominee is a firm, group or organization, provide contact name: _____

Title: _____ Phone: _____

_____ Email: _____

2. Description:

Describe the individual, business, group, program or project that is being nominated. Include any specific information that may apply, such as the number of people who worked on the project, number of hours spent on the project, number of people served or affected, cost to those served, and annual cost of operation. Indicate whether the nominee is a volunteer or paid. Enclose any photographs or other materials that will contribute additional information to the nomination. Use extra pages as needed.

3. Date or duration of program:

When did this program take place? When was it completed? If ongoing, when did it start?

4. Significance/Result:

State how this person, group or project has contributed to improving transportation in Monterey County in current calendar year. Describe the impact on those served and value created by this activity, as well as any savings provided to users, taxpayers or providers by the nominee. Use extra pages as needed.

5. Person Submitting Nomination:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Title: _____ Email: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Please return by **noon, December 6, 2019** via fax: 831-775-0897; email: Theresa@tamcmonterey.org;
or mail to: Transportation Agency for Monterey County, Attn: Theresa Wright
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas CA, 93901

For additional information, please call 831-775-4403. This form is also available on TAMC's website
at: <http://tamcmonterey.org/programs/excelaward/index.html>



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **Federal Section 5310 Application for Funding Transit for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Federal Transit Grant Section 5310 Application for Monterey-Salinas Transit bus funds:

1. **ACCEPT** Monterey-Salinas Transit's Federal transit grant application for six bus replacements for its RIDES paratransit service for the elderly and persons with disabilities; and
2. **ADOPT** Resolution 2019-12 approving Monterey County's scores for Traditional Section 5310 grant applications and certifying that the projects meet federal program requirements and conditions.

SUMMARY:

The Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 program provides competitive grants for capital and operating costs associated with transportation serving seniors and people with disabilities. The Transportation Agency is responsible for accepting and scoring the FTA 5310 grant applications within Monterey County, and submitting applications to the state for funding. The Transportation Agency's actions do not approve funding or projects, but assist the FTA/Caltrans in making those decisions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no impact to the Transportation Agency budget associated with this action. A total of \$14 million in Section 5310 program funds for Fiscal Year 2019 are available through Caltrans on a competitive basis for small urban and rural areas. This cycle has a funding cap of \$400,000 per agency for small urban and rural communities. Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) submitted a grant application for \$369,160 of Federal Transit Administration 5310 funds with \$92,040 from Measure Q, as MST's local match. The requested action will authorize MST to secure grant funds if awarded by Caltrans.

DISCUSSION:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 grant program provides capital grants to public agencies and certified non-profit organizations for the purpose of meeting the transportation needs of the elderly and persons with disabilities where public transportation services are otherwise unavailable, insufficient or inappropriate. Eligible projects for these grant funds include purchases of new vehicles and equipment to support paratransit programs.

The Transportation Agency is designated by Caltrans to determine the eligibility of 5310 grant program applicants, review and score 5310 program grant applications submitted for projects in Monterey County, and submit a Regional Priority Project list to Caltrans that identifies scores for each 5310 project. For the 5310 program, each vehicle or

piece of equipment provided in an application is considered an individual "project" for scoring purposes and is included in the project priority list.

For the current grant cycle, the Transportation Agency received a 5310 program grant application from Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST), which relies on the Section 5310 grant program for its RIDES program vehicle replacement needs. MST's application has a total project cost of \$460,200, requesting \$368,160 of Federal Transit Administration 5310 funds with a local match of \$92,040. The grant will allow MST to purchase six (6) vehicles to replace aging and high mileage vehicles in the RIDES fleet. The RIDES program provides service pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act to individuals unable to use fixed-route public transit due to age or disability. This program is otherwise an unfunded federal mandate.

For the 5310 grant program, each vehicle replacement is assigned an individual score, listed in the regional Project Priority List. 5310 grant projects are scored according to specific criteria established by Caltrans consistent with federal requirements for this program.

The Regional Priority Project List for the 5310 program, which includes scores calculated by staff for each project, is included with the attached resolution. MST earned scores ranging from 85 to 100 for each of the vehicle replacement projects; in the past, projects that score above 70 have been awarded grant funding. Projects proposing to replace vehicles with lower mileage tend to score lower than replacing high mileage vehicles. The Transportation Agency reviewed MST's application and submitted scores to Caltrans through the electronic BlackCat Electronic Grant Management system. Staff requests that the Board adopt Resolution 2019-12 (**Attached**), which certifies that MST's project meet federal program requirements and are consistent with the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and approves the Regional Priority Project List for the 5310 program.

Once submitted to Caltrans, the applications are reviewed by the State Review Committee, then the Transportation Agency will verify the Regional Prioritized List for submission to Federal Transit Administration by Caltrans. The California Transportation Commission is scheduled to approve the final project list and award funding in Spring 2020.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▢ Federal Transit Administration 5310 Grant - Resolution 2019-12

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-12
OF THE
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING MONTEREY COUNTY'S SCORES FOR TRADITIONAL SECTION 5310
GRANT APPLICATIONS AND CERTIFYING THAT THE PROJECTS MEET FEDERAL PROGRAM
REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS**

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants to states through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA C 9070.1G) to support projects for non-urbanized public transportation systems under Section 5310 of the Federal Transit Act Federal law (Title 49 U.S.C. Section 5310) to provide for grants for the purpose of assisting private nonprofit corporations and public agencies in providing transportation services to meet the needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities for whom public mass transportation services are otherwise unavailable, insufficient, or inappropriate; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has been designated by the Governor of the State of California to administer Section 5310 Program grants for public transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Agency is charged with scoring local applications for the Section 5310 program for specialized transportation; and

WHEREAS, Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) has submitted a Section 5310 grant application to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) with a total project cost of \$460,200 to purchase six (6) replacement vehicles to ensure the continued effectiveness of the RIDES program, which offers service for the elderly and persons with disabilities pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS, MST has, to the maximum extent feasible, coordinated with other transportation providers and users in the region; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Agency has scored the projects included in the application submitted by MST; and

WHEREAS, the projects being recommended for funding are consistent with the Monterey County Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Monterey Bay Area Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Transportation Agency hereby certifies that the projects submitted by Monterey-Salinas Transit for funding in the section 5310 FY19-20 funding cycle provide specialized transportation services to Monterey County meet the requirements and conditions of 49 U.S.C. 5310 and are eligible for the Section 5310 funds; and
2. The Transportation Agency certifies that the projects submitted are consistent with the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and Monterey Bay Area Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan; and
3. The Transportation Agency assures that the projects recommended and approved by the California Transportation Commission will be included in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California this _____, by the following votes:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

**ROBERT HUITT, CHAIR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

ATTEST:

**DEBRA L. HALE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

Applicant	Project Description	Cost per Unit	FTA Funding Request**	Sect 1 (Max 32 pts)	Sect 2 (Max 18 pts)	Sect 3 (Max 30 pts)	Sect 4 (Individualized scores – Max 20 pts)	Total (Max 100 pts)
Monterey-Salinas Transit	Six (6) purchase replacement buses (< 30-foot buses)	\$76,700	\$368,160	32	18	30	--	--
Individualized scores for replacement buses based on vehicle mileage and age								
Project	Bus to Replace	Unit Cost		Sect 1	Sect 2	Sect 3	Sect 4	Total
Bus Replacement 1	2013 Bus II	\$76,700		32	18	30	20	100
Bus Replacement 2	2015 Bus II	\$76,700		32	18	30	10	90
Bus Replacement 3	2015 Bus II	\$76,700		32	18	30	5	85
Bus Replacement 4	2015 Bus II	\$76,700		32	18	30	5	85
Bus Replacement 5	2015 Bus II	\$76,700		32	18	30	5	85
Bus Replacement 6	2015 Bus II	\$76,700		32	18	30	5	85

**Total project cost: \$460,200

FTA Portion of Net Project Cost: \$368,160

Local Match: \$92,040



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway Environment Impact Report Update

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE update on the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway environmental impact report.

SUMMARY:

The draft environmental impact report for the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project will be released for public review in mid November. A public review period of at least 45 days will follow. A public hearing to accept comments on the draft environmental impact report will take place at the December 4, 2019 TAMC Board of Directors meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The TAMC Board of Directors awarded a \$1 million contract to Alta Planning + Design, Inc. on August 22, 2018 for state environmental review and preliminary design of the entire Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project.

DISCUSSION:

The Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project proposes to construct an approximately 27-mile continuous 12-foot wide paved bicycle and pedestrian trail with an open-space buffer on both sides. This trail will connect the Monterey Peninsula cities from the Monterey Bay Coastal Trail to the California State Monterey Bay University campus through the Former Fort Ord open space area.

TAMC staff has been working with the County of Monterey, the cities of Del Rey Oaks, Marina, Monterey and Seaside, the California State University at Monterey Bay, the Monterey Peninsula Regional Parks District and the public to gather input to define alternatives to be evaluated. The consultant team has performed the field reviews, technical studies, outreach events, and public information meetings required to prepare the draft environmental impact report.

Staff is conducting an internal review of the consultant's work on the draft environmental impact report, which is expected to be ready for circulation on or about November 13, 2019. The environmental review process for the entire Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project is expected to be completed by early 2020.

A draft Master Agreement including maintenance responsibilities is being circulated by TAMC to the underlying jurisdictions for their review and is expected to be executed in early 2020, concurrent with the certification of the environmental impact report by TAMC as the lead agency and by the underlying jurisdictions as responsible agencies.

As any given segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway receives sufficient funding the underlying jurisdictions for each segment will enter into a Supplemental Agreement specifying in greater detail the terms of

implementation.



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: Transportation Development Act Allocation & Unmet Transit Needs Analysis

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Transportation Development Act Allocation & Unmet Transit Needs:

1. **RECEIVE** list of Monterey County's unmet transit needs;
2. **APPROVE** Monterey-Salinas Transit's application for State Transportation Development Act funds; and
3. **ADOPT** Resolution 2019-06 allocating a total of \$22,467,183 in Transportation Development Act funds to Monterey-Salinas Transit, comprised of \$16,749,685 in Local Transportation Funds and \$5,717,498 in State Transit Assistance funds for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

SUMMARY:

As the Regional Transportation Planning Agency, TAMC oversees the approval process for allocating State funds devoted to local transit expenditures. TAMC annually seeks public input to identify unmet transit needs in Monterey County, and has coordinated with Monterey-Salinas Transit and its Mobility Advisory Committee to evaluate the unmet transit needs comments received through April 30, 2019.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

TAMC allocates all available Local Transportation Funds and State Transit Assistance funds to MST to support public transit service. The estimated amount of the total Fiscal Year 2019-20 allocation to MST is \$22,467,183, comprised of \$16,749,685 in Local Transportation Funds and \$5,717,498 in State Transit Assistance funds.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Development Act provides two major sources of funding of public transportation in California. The first, the Local Transportation Fund is derived from a 1/4 cent of the general sales tax collected statewide. The second, the State Transit Assistance fund is derived from the statewide sales tax on diesel fuel and distributed back to transportation planning agencies on a population-based (Public Utilities Code 99313) and transit operator revenue-based (Public Utilities Code 99314) formula.

Each February, the Transportation Agency prepares an estimate of the Local Transportation funds it expects to be available in the coming fiscal year. Local Transportation Funds are apportioned to eligible uses in the following priority order, pursuant to state law:

1. Transportation Agency Administration and Planning;
2. Bicycle & pedestrian projects via the Transportation Development Act 2% program;

3. Public transit by jurisdiction, based on population as reported by the Dept of Finance; and
4. Construction and maintenance of local streets and roads.

Transit operators may use State Transit Assistance funds for transit operations and capital projects. For operations, new state law requires transit operators to comply with efficiency standards to demonstrate that the operating cost per revenue vehicle hour is increasing by no more than the Costumer Price Index. For capital, there are no restrictions.

Prior to allocating Local Transportation Funds, TAMC is required to conduct a public hearing and outreach to identify unmet transit needs. Because TAMC no longer allocates Local Transportation Funds to local streets and roads, TAMC is no longer required to adopt a finding on unmet transit needs. However, TAMC still continues to solicit input on unmet transit needs. The unmet transit needs process is **attached**. The unmet transit needs comment list serves as a public input tool for MST's short- and long-term transit service planning and improvements, and assists in prioritizing transit projects as funds become available. All comments are reviewed with MST staff to consider options to implement requests based on the time frame in which unmet transit needs can be met. Next, the Mobility Advisory Committee reviews the comments and provides input, and then the TAMC Board receives the final unmet transit needs comments list and allocates Local Transportation Funds and State Transit Assistance funds to MST.

This year, the Transportation Agency received the following comments:

Need Comment	Year Identified	Category	Timeline	Status in 2019
Service between Pinnacles National Park and King City	2014/2019	Category #2: new service, fills a gap	Long-term improvement	This comment was previously identified in 2014. This service is cost prohibitive and would require resources being reallocated from other services/areas. Current road conditions are also a safety concern. The City of Soledad is currently studying improvements for the Pinnacles Parkway project, which may consider a park shuttle service.
Increase bus frequency between CSUMB and East Campus housing.	2019	N/A	N/A	Line 26 currently meets this need. Line 26 is a shuttle service available during the school year with a frequency of every 20 minutes.
Service between the Veterans Transition Center and the Monterey Regional Waste Management District.	2019	N/A	N/A	This connection can be made via Line 18 and Line 27. The Veterans Transition Center is recipient of a Measure X grant that includes purchase of vehicles to provide transportation services to seniors and people with disabilities.

In the upcoming fiscal year, MST is unable to meet the unmet transit needs in the **attached** list. For example, shuttle service to Pinnacles National Park and service to San Juan Grade Road and Russell Road in Salinas are both unmet transit needs that are cost-prohibitive at this time. The unmet transit needs requests that are not able to be addressed this year will remain on the list and will be part of next year's unmet transit needs process.

Staff recommends that the Board approve MST's application and adopt Resolution 2019-06 (**attached**) allocating \$22,467,183 in Transportation Development Act funds to MST for public transit service in Monterey County for fiscal

year 2019-20.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▣ Unmet Transit Needs Process
- ▣ Unmet Transit Needs List
- ▣ Resolution 2019-06 - Transportation Development Act Fund Allocation

About the Unmet Transit Needs Process

The California Legislature enacted the Transportation Development Act (TDA) in 1971 to improve public transit services and encourage regional transportation coordination. TDA statutes require transportation planning agencies using TDA funds for local streets and roads projects, to implement a public process, including a public hearing, to identify unmet transit needs of transit dependent or disadvantaged persons, and determine if unmet transit needs can be reasonably met.

In its role as the TDA fund administrator, the Transportation Agency for Monterey County annually solicits public input to identify unmet transit needs. Although TAMC no longer allocates TDA funds to local streets and roads, the Agency still continues to solicit public input on unmet transit needs.

The unmet transit needs process begins with public outreach to solicit comments on unmet transit needs. Public hearings to collect comments on unmet transit needs are held at a meeting of TAMC's Board of Directors and at a meeting of Monterey-Salinas Transit's Mobility Advisory Committee, which serves as TAMC's Social Services Transportation Advisory Council. TAMC's Board of Director's receives the final unmet transit needs list of comments.

Unmet Transit Need Definition

An unmet transit need is a public transportation need that the public transportation system is not currently meeting and would be expected to generate enough ridership to meet the required 10% farebox recovery ratio pursuant to.

Unmet Transit Need Evaluation

Unmet transit needs are placed into the following categories:

1. Transit service improvement requests that would improve an existing service.
2. Transit service expansion requests that extend a transit route beyond its current limits and fill a gap in service.
3. Capital improvement projects that would enhance existing public transit facilities.

TAMC shares the list of unmet transit needs comments with Monterey-Salinas Transit, the only public transportation provider in the county. The unmet transit needs comments list serves as a public input tool for MST's short and long term transit service planning and improvements. TAMC works with MST to evaluate comments based on the time frame in which unmet transit needs can be met:

- Short term transit improvements are those that can be implemented in the current service year within MST's funding limits and without negatively impacting existing services.
- Long term transit improvements are those that would require additional funding beyond MST's current funding limits. Long term improvement comments remain on the unmet transit needs comment list until additional funding becomes available.

MST's Mobility Advisory Committee provides input on the categorized unmet transit needs comments list. This input serves to prioritize needs in the region, and is used to assist prioritizing transit projects as funds become available. The TAMC Board of Directors will receive the final list.

**Transportation Agency for Monterey County
2019 Monterey County Unmet Transit Needs**

Unmet transit needs are placed into the following categories:

1. Transit service improvement requests that would improve an existing service.
2. Transit service expansion requests that extend a transit route beyond its current limits and fill a gap in service.
3. Capital improvement projects that would enhance existing public transit facilities.

Transit Needs Timeline

- **Short term transit improvements** are those that can be implemented in the current service year within MST’s funding limits and without negatively impacting existing services.
- **Long-term transit improvements** are those that would require additional funding beyond MST’s current funding limits. Long-term improvement comments remain on the unmet transit needs comment list until additional funding becomes available.

Unmet Need Comment	Year Identified	Category	Timeline	Status in 2019
Service to San Juan Grade Road and Russell Road in Salinas	2014	Category #2: new service, fills a gap	Long-term improvement.	Identified as an unmet need establishing new or expanding service. MST is currently working with the City of Salinas and area developers to identify possible public transit service into the planned developments in this area in the next 5 to 10 years.
Increased frequency on Line 18	2014	Category #1: improves an existing service	Long-term improvement.	Service will require an additional vehicle and driver which cannot be provided at this time without reallocating resources from other areas.
More frequent service to Gonzales and Soledad	2014	Category #1: improves an existing service	Long-term improvement.	MST now provides real-time transit information to ease passenger wait times. MST conducted a Salinas Valley Transit Planning Study to identify transit improvements along the US 101 corridor. Additionally, the future King City bus yard may improve South County service in the future.
Shuttle service between Pinnacles National Park and Fort	2014/2019	Category #2: new service, fills a gap	Long-term improvement.	This shuttle service is cost prohibitive and would require resources being reallocated from other services/areas. Current road conditions

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2019 Monterey County Unmet Transit Needs**

Unmet Need Comment	Year Identified	Category	Timeline	Status in 2019
Hunter Liggett and King City				are also a safety concern. The City of Soledad is currently studying improvements for the Pinnacles Parkway project, which may consider a park shuttle service.
Service to San Juan Bautista and Los Baños	2015/2018	Category #2: new service, fills a gap	Long-term improvement.	MST, in collaboration with San Benito County Local Transportation Authority, may explore applying for Federal intercity bus grant funding options to meet this need in the future.
Improve the connection between Castroville and Prunedale for access to Gavilan College in Gilroy	2018	Category #1: improves an existing service; Category #2: new service, fills a gap	Long-term improvement	MST, San Benito County Local Transportation Authority, and Gavilan College to collaborate and identify a strategy to meet this need.

Resolved Transit Needs

Unmet Need Comment	Year Identified	Year Resolved	Resolution
More out of county medical trips that cost less	2014	2017	MST increased the frequency and lowered the cost of out of county medical trips using Measure Q funds in July 2017. An analysis of the enhanced service will be conducted fall of 2018.
Service to Rancho Cielo	2014	2017	MST has donated used buses to Rancho Cielo for service by their students.
Line 18 does not serve and does not have a bus stop at the new VA Clinic in Marina.	2018	2018	MST will install a bus stop at the new VA Clinic and will begin serving that stop in the fall of 2018.

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<p>CSUMB enhanced paratransit service on campus; more accessible vehicles are needed for student mobility on-campus</p>	<p>2015/2016</p>	<p>Not yet resolved, however MST and CSUMB continue to discuss ways to address this need.</p>	<p>Federal ADA requirements and operational constraints of the RIDES service make it challenging for MST to provide this type of paratransit service as CSUMB students have a very narrow window of time to get from one class to another. A CSUMB student shuttle service may be the way to meet this need.</p>
<p>Improved service between South County and the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey in Monterey</p>	<p>2017</p>	<p>2019</p>	<p>MST conducted a Salinas Valley Transit Planning Study to identify transit improvements along the US 101 corridor. MST currently provides service and a connection can be made via Line 14 and Line 70. A new courthouse located in Greenfield is currently being proposed.</p>

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-06
OF THE
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)**

***FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUND
ALLOCATIONS TO PUBLIC TRANSIT OPERATORS***

WHEREAS, Fiscal Year 2019-20 Transportation Development Act applications to support public transportation systems have been received by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County and are summarized as follows:

Jurisdiction	Fund	Type of Service	Operating and/or Capital	State Controller's Report Code
Monterey-Salinas Transit	Local Transportation Fund	Fixed Route Transit Service and/or RIDES ADA paratransit	\$16,749,685	Art. 4 Transit 99260 (a) & 99260.7
Monterey-Salinas Transit	State Transit Assistance	Fixed Route Transit Service and/or RIDES ADA paratransit	\$5,717,498	Art. 6.5 PUC 99313.3
Total			\$22,467,183	

WHEREAS, Fiscal Year 2019-20 State Transit Assistance estimates have been prepared by the California State Controller describing the funding expected to be available for allocation by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County to public transit operators in Monterey County;

WHEREAS, State Assembly Bill 644 established the Monterey-Salinas Transit District that includes the cities of Carmel-by-the-Sea, Del Rey Oaks, Marina, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Salinas, Seaside, Sand City, Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield, and King City, as well as the unincorporated population within three quarters of a mile of the MST fixed transit routes in the unincorporated area effective July 1, 2010, and which will have first priority to claim the Local Transportation Funds apportioned to these jurisdictions for public transit; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey and Monterey-Salinas Transit have a Memorandum of Understanding that describes the operating plan to implement special transit services in various unincorporated County areas and how those services are to be coordinated with other public transportation providers in Monterey County;

WHEREAS, the public and special transit services of the County of Monterey are responding to a transportation need not otherwise being met within the community;

WHEREAS, Article 4, Section 99260 of the Public Utilities Code states that claims may be filed under this article with the transportation planning agency by operators for the purpose of supporting public transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, the State of California pursuant to the Public Utilities Code, Chapter 4, Transportation Development Section 99313 and 99314 has made State Transit Assistance Funds available to transportation planning agencies to be allocated for public transportation purposes;

WHEREAS, Article 8, Section 99400 of the Public Utilities Code states that claims may be filed under this article with the transportation planning agency by counties and cities for the purpose of payment to any entity which is under contract with a county or city for public transportation or for transportation services for any group, as determined by the transportation planning agency, requiring special transportation assistance; and

WHEREAS, Monterey-Salinas Transit is able to claim all available Local Transportation Funds in Monterey County to support public transit service pursuant to the finding adopted by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County on June 23, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- (a) The public and special transit system operated by Monterey-Salinas Transit is found to be in conformity with the Regional Transportation Plan; and
- (b) The public and special transit systems operated by Monterey-Salinas Transit are found to be in compliance with Transportation Development Act (TDA) Section 99268.4, and are recovering at least 15% of their operating costs in passenger fares; and
- (c) The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) hereby directs the Executive Director to claim Local Transportation Funds and State Transit Assistance as needed to support the public and special transit systems serving Monterey County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California this 23rd day of October 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ROBERT HUITT, CHAIR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

ATTEST:

DEBRA L. HALE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **Regional Traffic Counts Request for Proposals**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Regional Traffic Counts Request for Proposals

1. **APPROVE** the scope of work for the Regional Traffic Counts Request for Proposals, subject to counsel approval;
2. **AUTHORIZE** staff to publish the Request for Proposals and return to the Board of Directors with a recommendation for approval of a consultant, including the final scope of work; and
3. **APPROVE** the use of Regional Surface Transportation Program funds for this contract in an amount not to exceed \$109,000.

SUMMARY:

The request for proposals will be used by TAMC to select a consultant to conduct traffic counts twice per year during the off-peak season (March or April) and during the peak-season (August or September) over three calendar years, for approximately 200 locations throughout Monterey County for the Transportation Agency's regional traffic counts program. The Agency's traffic counts data supports local, state, and federal grant proposals, the regional travel demand model and other long-range planning efforts.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Based on an independent cost estimate of the scope of work, the project budget is estimated at \$109,000. The project will be funded through Regional Surface Transportation Program funds.

DISCUSSION:

TAMC maintains a regional traffic counts program to monitor traffic volumes on regional roads throughout Monterey County. The Agency's traffic counts data supports local, state, and federal grant proposals, the regional travel demand model and other long-range planning efforts. Data is also used by public works and planning departments for congestion management, traffic signal coordination, planning studies, and preparation of environmental documents.

This solicitation will request proposals from qualified consulting firms to conduct traffic counts twice per year during the off-peak season (March or April) and during the peak-season (August or September) over three calendar years, for approximately 180 locations throughout Monterey County.

Bicycle and pedestrian counts required for projects funded by the State Active Transportation Program are also included in this request for proposals.

Based on review of the received proposals and interviews (if needed) with the most qualified candidates, Agency staff will meet with the most qualified consultant and negotiate a final Scope of Works and a Fee schedule for the project. Upon completion of negotiations, the consultant will be recommended to the Transportation Agency Board for final selection and contract approval. The proposed schedule for the Request for Proposal is noted below:

- October 23, 2019.....Distribute Request for Proposals
- November 20, 2019.....Deadline for questions and/or requests for clarification
- December 4, 2019.....Proposals due by 12:00 pm PST
- December 9-13, 2019.....Review and rank proposals
- December 18, 2019.....Hold interviews (if necessary)
- January 6, 2020.....Determine top ranked consultant and negotiate contract
- January 22, 2020.....Bring contract to TAMC Board for approval

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[Regional Traffic Counts - Scope of Work](#)

[Regional Traffic Counts - Request for Proposals](#)



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

AUTHORIZE the Executive Director to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans to complete the federal environmental review process for the Highway 218 segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project.

SUMMARY:

Caltrans requires a Cooperative Agreement with the Transportation Agency to complete the federal environmental review process for the Highway 218 segment of the proposed Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) project. The Cooperative Agreement outlines the duties of Caltrans and of TAMC in order to complete the federal environmental review process.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The TAMC Board of Directors awarded a \$1 million contract to Alta Planning + Design, Inc. on August 22, 2018 for state environmental review and preliminary design of the entire Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project. Five months later in January 2019, the Transportation Agency received a \$10.3 million highly competitive Active Transportation Program grant to construct the Highway 218 segment of FORTAG through Del Rey Oaks. Federal environmental review was not included in the original scope of the August 22, 2018 contract, but is required for this grant. The work needed to accomplish additional technical work required for federal review was included in an Alta Planning + Design contract amendment approved by the TAMC Board of Directors on June 26, 2019.

DISCUSSION:

Federal environmental review is required for the Highway 218 segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project under the terms of the Active Transportation Program grant. A Cooperative Agreement is needed to establish Caltrans as the lead agency for the federal environmental review process and TAMC as responsible agency. The Cooperative Agreement outlines the duties of Caltrans and of TAMC in order to complete the federal environmental process for this segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project.

The federal environmental review process is expected to be completed by early 2020. Successful implementation of this Cooperative Agreement will allow TAMC to stay on schedule with the project development process, including full design of the Highway 218 segment and then construction.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[Cooperative Agreement](#)



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Laurie Williamson, Senior Transportation Engineer
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **US 101 South of Salinas Concept Analysis Contract**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

US 101 South of Salinas Concept Analysis:

1. **APPROVE** and **AUTHORIZE** the Executive Director to execute a contract with GHD for an amount not to exceed \$521,513 to provide consulting services to develop, analyze and recommend preferred concept alternatives for the US 101 South of Salinas, for the period ending June 30, 2021;
2. **AUTHORIZE** the use of \$521,513 of Measure X funds budgeted for this purpose; and
3. **AUTHORIZE** 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.

SUMMARY:

The US 101 South of Salinas Expressway to Freeway Conversion Concept Analysis work will involve the development and review of various safety improvement concepts for the corridor using a robust public outreach process, data gathering and traffic modeling. The project limits for purposes of the analysis are from Chualar to Salinas with some work extending to Gonzales.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The not-to-exceed amount for this contract is \$521,513 which is funded by Measure X.

DISCUSSION:

US 101 south of Salinas is a four-lane expressway with at-grade intersections providing side street access at various locations between Salinas and King City. Traffic volumes, speeds and fatal/injury crashes have increased tremendously over time. Caltrans prepared a Project Study Report (PSR) in 2003 to begin the process of upgrading the segment of US 101 between Airport Boulevard in Salinas and Main Street in Chualar.

The concepts in the 2003 Project Study Report proposed to close the US 101 median openings, convert US 101 from an expressway with multiple at grade intersections to a controlled access freeway, and construct a new interchange and frontage road system. The 2003 Project Study Report also proposed to eliminate all cross-traffic and left turns into and out of side streets with at-grade intersections to reduce fatal/injury crashes in this segment. The concepts developed in the 2003 Project Study Report were not refined enough to move them directly into the environmental review phase of the project.

The US 101 Expressway to Freeway Conversion Concept Analysis will produce supplemental documentation to the

2003 Project Study Report that will develop and model a range of viable concepts to reduce crashes on US 101. The work will include a robust public outreach process with a community advisory group that includes land owners, growers, shippers, businesses, residents, and interested parties. The grass-roots citizens group, South of Salinas US 101 Traffic Safety Alliance, will be a key partner in the public outreach and concept development process. The result of the study will be a set of publicly-supported project concepts to be environmentally reviewed in the next project phase.

Other key aspects of the Scope of Work include (see attachment for details):

- Extensive public outreach
- Data collection on existing conditions and traffic volumes
- Concept development and planning level cost estimates
- Modeling of traffic patterns for multiple viable concepts
- Corridor travel simulations to evaluate concepts
- Draft and final Concept Analysis document as a supplement to the original 2003 Project Study Report

The Agency will oversee the consultant work and development of the concept analysis in coordination with the City of Salinas, County of Monterey and Caltrans.

On June 26, 2019 the Transportation Agency Board of Directors approved the Request for Proposals (RFP) for consultant services for the US 101 Expressway to Freeway Conversion Concept Analysis in Monterey County. Staff distributed the Request for Proposals to various consultants as well as posted online and noticed in the Salinas Californian.

TAMC received 4 proposals from teams led by the following firms by the required due date of August 14, 2019 at noon:

- GHD
- Michael Baker International
- MNS Engineers
- Psomas

A review committee composed of TAMC staff as well as staff from Caltrans, Monterey County, the City of Gonzales and the City of Salinas reviewed and ranked proposals, and conducted interviews. Based on criteria specified in the request for proposals, the review committee recommends selecting the GHD team to perform the work. This recommendation is based on the firm's experience with similar projects, their local experience and knowledge of Caltrans procedures and policies. The project manager is former Caltrans District 5 Director Jay Walter, and the public outreach will be led by Kendall Flint of RGS. The proposed agreement for professional services with GHD is for a period ending June 30, 2021.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[US 101 Concept Analysis Scope of Work](#)

[US 101 Concept Analysis Budget](#)



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: State Legislative Update & Draft 2020 Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECIEVE update on state legislative issues and **APPROVE** the draft 2020 legislative program for distribution to Committees for comment.

SUMMARY:

The Executive Committee provided input for the draft 2020 legislative program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Several of the bills awaiting the Governor's signature or veto could pose a financial impact to TAMC.

DISCUSSION:

On October 2, 2019, the Executive Committee received an update on state legislative activities and provided input on priorities for the Agency for 2020.

Attachment 1 is the update from Agency legislative analyst Gus Khouri, and **Attachment 2** is the updated bill list as of October 2. Bills that died or became two-year bills prior to the previous report in August have been deleted from the list.

On September 27, Governor Newsom vetoed Senate Bill (SB) 628 by Senator Anna Caballero, which would have directed Caltrans to sell property originally acquired to build a Prunedale Bypass road, and would have directed the proceeds (estimated at up to \$13 million) toward key safety projects in the US 101/ State Route 156 corridor. In his veto message (**web attachment**), the Governor stated it would "create an exception to existing law that would negatively impact the General Fund by millions of dollars. If other jurisdictions are provided similar exceptions, the General Fund would be exposed to additional revenue losses in the future." Instead of pursuing this legislation a fourth time, TAMC staff will work with Caltrans and the California Transportation Commission to find other ways to fully fund the State Route 156 improvements and the US 101 South of Salinas safety project.

On October 8, Governor Newsom signed SB 742 by Senator Ben Allen, which will enable travelers to buy a ticket on an Amtrak Thruway bus without having a ticket for a rail trip. The Coast Rail Coordinating Council has been seeking this legislation for several years as it will help increase intercity bus service along the Coast.

Attachment 3 is the draft 2020 legislative program, showing changes from the adopted 2019 legislative program (**web attachment**). Of particular interest, TAMC may need to sponsor a bill related to the Santa Cruz Long-Toed

Salamander, a fully protected endangered species in the Moro Cojo Slough, in order to move forward with the State Route 156/ Castroville Boulevard project.

Staff recommends the Board approve this draft program for distribution to the Rail Policy Committee, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee, and Technical Advisory Committee in November. Staff will also meet with partner agencies locally and statewide to discuss items for the program. The Executive Committee will then receive an update and discuss the final draft program in January 2020, followed by presentation to the Board in January for adoption.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▣ State legislative report - Khouri
- ▣ State bill list
- ▣ Draft 2020 Legislative Program

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

- [SB 628 \(Caballero\) Veto Message](#)
- [Final 2019 Legislative Program](#)



October 3, 2019

TO: Board Members, Transportation Agency for Monterey County
FROM: Gus Khouri, Principal
Khouri Consulting

RE: STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – SEPTEMBER

The legislature adjourned on September 13. Governor Newsom has until October 13 to sign or veto legislation. Any items in the second house that have not been sent to the Governor are two-year bills that can be taken up in January. The following is a summary of remaining items of interest to TAMC.

Bills of Interest

1. **SB 628 (Caballero)**, TAMC's sponsored legislation, which would direct proceeds from the prospective sale of parcels near the former Prunedale Bypass Project for safety improvements along the Highway 101 and 156 corridors was vetoed by Governor Newsom on September 27. With other bills attempting to do the same thing (AB 449), the Governor did not want to reestablish a precedent and take prospective revenue away from the General Fund. We thought that prospects of a signature looked promising given established precedent of similar bills, the elimination of the state's "wall of debt", the leveraging of Measure X, the emphasis on addressing higher than average collision rates at intersections of concern, and the fact that the parcels could not be used for affordable housing. The administration has committed to looking at alternatives to address safety concerns along the Highway 101 and 156 corridors.
2. **SB 277 (Beall)** would convert the allocation method for the Local Partnership Program (LPP). The LPP provides \$200 million annually for jurisdictions that have secured a voter-approved tax or fee dedicated for transportation purposes. Currently, per the guidelines established by the California Transportation Commission (CTC), proceeds are split 50/50 between a formulaic share and a competitive program administered by the CTC. SB 277 would statutorily prescribe that 85% of all proceeds (\$170 million annually) be distributed on a formulaic basis, and 15% be made available for distribution on a competitive basis by the CTC to local jurisdictions with a population of 750,000 residents or fewer that have a sales tax or developer fee. TAMC currently receives roughly

\$700,000 annually from the formulaic share as a result of the passage of Measure X in 2016 and succeeded in receiving \$19 million from the competitive program in May 2018 for the Imjin Parkway project. If SB 277 is enacted, TAMC would realize at least a 70% increase in the formulaic share, which would generate roughly an additional \$500,000 annually. TAMC would also qualify to bid in the 15% competitive pot. The bill also allows for program recipients to bank their formulaic shares for a period of up to 5 years before funds are required to be drawn. The bill is pending action on Governor Newsom's desk. **TAMC has a support position.**

Transit Capital and Intercity Rail Program (TIRCP) Cycle 4 Funding

CalSTA announced the release of formal draft guidelines for the TIRCP 2020 Award Cycle. TIRCP provides grants to fund transformative capital improvements that modernize California's transit systems and intercity, commuter, and urban rail systems to increase ridership and reduce emissions of greenhouse gases. TAMC was a recent beneficiary, having secured \$10.1 million for the extension of two round trip passenger rail services from Gilroy to Salinas, including a layover facility and positive train control. We will work with staff to identify funding priorities.

SB 1 Competitive Grant Programs

On September 19, we attended the CTC will be holding workshops in San Diego to work on the adoption of guidelines for Cycle 2 for some SB 1 competitive programs – Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) and Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP). The CTC is awaiting the outcome of SB 277 before addressing guidelines for the Local Partnership Program (LPP). CTC aims to adopt final guidelines by this December, with applications due towards the end of March 2020.

Governor's Executive Order on Climate Change

On September 20, Governor Gavin Newsom issued an Executive Order aimed at combatting climate change and strengthening the state's climate resiliency. With a focus on reducing emissions from the transportation sector, the Executive Order could lead to a greater focus on public transit and active transportation projects. The Executive Order directs the CalSTA to invest its annual portfolio of \$5 billion (inclusive of such programs as the State Highway Operations and Protection Program, State Transportation Improvement Program, Solutions for Congested Corridors Program, Local Partnership Program, and Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program) to build, operate and maintain projects that help reverse the trend of increased fuel consumption and instead result in a reduction of vehicle miles traveled and greenhouse gas emissions associated with the transportation sector.

CalSTA, in consultation with the Department of Finance, is directed to align transportation spending, programming and mitigation to achieve the greenhouse gas emission reduction targets in the state's Climate Change Scoping Plan, where feasible. We are discussing with the administration to ensure that this directive will not compromise the ability to leverage Measure X dollars to deliver projects on the state highway system that enhance safety and congestion management.

TAMC Bill Matrix – October 2019

Measure	Status	Bill Summary	Position
AB 252 Daly Environmental review: federal program	7/31/19 Signed by the Governor. Chapter 160, Statutes of 2019	This bill would remove the sunset date (January 1, 2020) for Caltrans being able to use the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) delegation to streamline environmental review for projects with federal funding, allowing for environmental review of projects to be expedited. The bill is sponsored by the Self-Help Counties Coalition (SHCC). TAMC supported the previous version, AB 28 (Frazier) in 2017, which was also sponsored by SHCC, and had extended the sunset date from January 1, 2017 to January 1, 2020.	SUPPORT Priority 6S Letter sent 4/5
AB 285 Friedman California Transportation Plan	10/9/19 Signed by the Governor. Chapter 605, Statutes of 2019	Under existing law, Caltrans is required to prepare the California Transportation Plan, which looks at the movement of goods and people and how the state will achieve greenhouse gas emission goals. This bill would require Caltrans to address in the California Transportation Plan how statewide greenhouse gas emission goals will be reduced by 2030 to attain the air quality goals described in California’s state implementation plans required by the federal Clean Air Act.	Watch Priority NA
AB 1142 Friedman Regional Transportation Plans: transportation network companies	8/30/19 Senate Appropriations Held in Committee	The Passenger Charter-party Carriers’ Act provides for the regulation of charter-party carriers of passengers by the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) and includes specific requirements for liability insurance coverage, background checks, and other regulatory matters applicable to transportation network companies (TNCs) and their participating drivers. This bill would require, in an ongoing proceeding that deals with reporting requirements for TNC data, the PUC to consider the needs of MPOs, state and regional transportation agencies, the State Air Resources Board, the transportation research community with regard to understanding and effectively planning for the impacts of TNCs, preparing sustainable community strategies, and meeting the goals of those strategies.	Watch Priority 1S
AB 1266 Rivas, Robert Traffic control devices: bicycles	9/4/19 Signed by the Governor. Chapter 221, Statutes of 2019.	This bill would permit drivers of bicycles to travel through an intersection that requires turns if there is a striped bike lane between the right-turn only lane and the adjacent through lane and pavement markings ensuring that bicycles may travel to the left of vehicles turning right.	Watch Priority 8S

TAMC Bill Matrix – October 2019

Measure	Status	Bill Summary	Position
AB 1486 Ting Surplus land	10/10/19 Signed by the Governor. Chapter 664, Statutes of 2019	This bill would require special districts and other public agencies to offer a right of first refusal to affordable housing developers, schools, and park agencies before leasing, selling, or otherwise “conveying” any of the agency’s land. This bill would prevent prudent efforts to lease or otherwise protect land for important community purposes. The bill would, with regard to disposing of surplus land for the purpose of developing low- and moderate-income housing, only require the local agency disposing of the surplus land to send a specified notice of availability if the land is located in an urbanized area. This bill could impact TAMC’s ability to transfer property at the Salinas train station to the City of Salinas.	OPPOSE Priority 4S Letter sent 5/8
ACA 1 Aguiar-Curry Affordable Housing and Public Infrastructure Bond: Voter Threshold	5/20/19 Assembly Floor Failed Passage Reconsideration Granted	This measure would lower to 55% the voter-approval threshold for a city, county, or city and county to incur bonded indebtedness, exceeding in any year the income and revenue provided in that year, that is in the form of general obligation bonds issued to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure or affordable housing projects. Supported by CALCOG, League of California Cities, California State Association of Counties, California Transit Association, and California Special Districts Association.	SUPPORT Priority 3S
SB 5 Beall Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment	10/13/19 Vetoed by the Governor	This bill would establish the Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Program, to authorize a city, county, city and county, joint powers agency, enhanced infrastructure financing district, affordable housing authority, community revitalization and investment authority, transit village development district, or a combination of those entities, to apply for funding for eligible projects include, among other things, construction of workforce and affordable housing, certain transit-oriented development, and “projects promoting strong neighborhoods.” The source of funding for this program is from a county’s transfer of the Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF). Supported by League of California Cities as well as the Cities of Salinas and Sand City. Senator Caballero is a co-author.	SUPPORT Priority 8S Letter sent 5/8 Signed on to group letter 9/16

TAMC Bill Matrix – October 2019

Measure	Status	Bill Summary	Position
SB 59 Allen California Transportation Commission: advisory committee: autonomous vehicle technology	8/30/19 Assembly Appropriations Held in Committee	Requires the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to establish the California Council on the Future of Transportation to provide the Governor and Legislature with policy recommendations regarding autonomous vehicles (AVs).	Watch Priority NA
SB 127 Weiner Transportation funding: active transportation: complete streets	10/12/19 Vetoed by the Governor	This bill would establish an Active Transportation Asset Branch within the Transportation Asset Management Office of Caltrans and require the Transportation Asset Management Plan program manager to develop and meaningfully integrate performance measures into the asset management plan and to establish interim goals, objectives, and actions to meet transportation mode shift goals. The bill would require CTC to give high priority to increasing safety for pedestrians and bicyclists safety and to implement bicycle and pedestrian facilities. This bill would create an asset management plan to prescribe a process for community input and complete streets implementation to prioritize safety and accessibility for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users on all State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) projects. The SHOPP is oversubscribed in its ability to address maintenance needs on the state highway system, but local jurisdictions such as TAMC, are held to the same standards of implementing multimodal transportation options. State highway projects however do not always include active transportation features. The author took an amendment that TAMC was seeking to strike out language prioritizing VMT-reducing projects over maintenance projects. As a result, TAMC is in support.	<u>SUPPORT</u> Priority 8S Support letter sent 4/5 Oppose unless amended letter sent 7/1 Support letter sent 9/5
SB 137 Dodd Federal Transportation Funds: State Exchange Programs	10/9/19 Signed by the Governor. Chapter 639, Statutes of 2019	This bill would authorize Caltrans to allow federal transportation funds that are allocated as local assistance to be exchanged for State Highway Account funds appropriated to Caltrans (\$100 million cap).	Watch Priority 1S

TAMC Bill Matrix – October 2019

Measure	Status	Bill Summary	Position
SB 189 (Monning) Fort Ord Reuse Authority: member agencies: land use and zoning: dissolution	8/30/19 Assembly Appropriations Held in Committee	This bill would extend the sunset of FORA from June 30, 2020 to June 30, 2022, and, as of July 1, 2020, reduce the size of the FORA board from 13 to 5 members, and would require a majority vote to pass or act upon any matter. This bill would, as of July 1, 2020, prohibit any additions to the reuse plan, including the capital improvement program, and would eliminate FORA's authority to issue bonds to finance basewide public facilities. The bill would require FORA to negotiate and secure successor agencies for all obligations under the transition plan no later than June 30, 2022. The bill would, as of July 1, 2020, require the transfer of specified revenues of FORA to the County of Monterey for disbursement to each underlying land use jurisdiction on a pro rata basis.	Watch Priority 1S
SB 277 Beall Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program: Local Partnership Program	10/12/19 Vetoed by the Governor	This bill changes the allocation method of the \$200 million/year Local Partnership Program from a 50/50 formulaic to competitive split to an 85%/15% split, respectively. TAMC would receive a higher proportional share of formulaic funding and be eligible to compete in the 15% competitive pot, which will be made available to jurisdictions with a population of 750,000 or less and a sales tax measure or developer impact fee.	SUPPORT Priority 1S Letter sent 7/1
SB 628 Caballero Prunedale Bypass: disposition of excess properties: relinquishment: State Route 183	9/27/19 Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.	This bill, sponsored by TAMC, would reserve proceeds from the sale of any excess properties originally acquired by Caltrans for the Prunedale Bypass in Monterey County and require that the proceeds be used for other projects, including safety projects, on US 101 or Route 156 in Monterey County. The bill is a reintroduction of AB 696 (Caballero), which was vetoed by Governor Brown in 2017. This version also contains language requested by the City of Salinas to direct Caltrans to relinquish a section of State Route 183 to the City. This bill passed the Senate and Assembly with unanimous votes (38-0 and 78-0, respectively).	SPONSOR/SUPPORT Priority 4S Letters sent 3/14, 6/11, 9/11
SB 742 Allen Intercity passenger rail services: motor carrier transportation of passengers	10/9/19 Signed by the Governor. Chapter 652, Statutes of 652	This bill would authorize Caltrans to provide funding to Amtrak, a joint powers authority, or any other public or private transit operator for the purpose of entering into a contract with a motor carrier of passengers for the intercity transportation of passengers by motor carrier over regular routes. This bill solves a long-standing problem with Amtrak Thruway buses that passengers must hold a ticket for a train trip in order to ride on a Thruway bus. The California Intercity Passenger Rail group has been seeking this solution for years.	SUPPORT Priority 8S Letters sent 5/1, 9/19



DRAFT 201920 Legislative Program

State Priorities

- 1S. Preserve funding for transportation projects, ~~support the constitutional protection of all transportation funding resources,~~ maximize formula funding to regions, and preserve regional discretion and priority-setting.
- 2S. Pursue competitive grant or bond funding for highway safety, traffic congestion relief, trade corridors, passenger rail, and public transportation for Monterey County projects.
- 3S. Promote jobs-housing balance and alternative transportation modes as ways to reduce vehicles miles traveled, while maintaining statewide equity between urban and rural areas.
- ~~4S.~~ 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. Support measures to allow the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to allow Caltrans to adopt appropriate avoidance and mitigation measures to protect the Santa Cruz Long-Toed Salamander from potential impacts of the Highway 156 project.
- ~~4S.5S.~~ Support efforts to reauthorize Public Private Partnership authority, public tolling authority, and design-build authority, expand mode eligibility, and allow for regional control of such projects
- ~~6S.~~ Support legislation to reduce pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities by modifying speed trap laws that prioritize higher automobile speeds over safety considerations.
- ~~7S.~~ Support legislation to devote a permanent share of Cap and Trade funding to the Active Transportation Program.
- ~~5S.~~ Support a consistent definition of “disadvantaged communities” among all funding programs to ensure that investments reflect economic and rural area considerations.
- ~~6S.8S.~~ Support streamlining project delivery, including simplifying grant program applications, raising encroachment permit thresholds, and accelerating project permit approvals.
- ~~7S.9S.~~ Coordinate with the Monterey-Salinas Transit District to update review existing metrics for the qualification and distribution of Transportation Development Act (TDA) ~~revenues, with the possibility for legislation in 2020 to update TDA law.~~

8S-10S. 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.

9S. Support member agencies' requests for state funding of regionally significant transportation projects and support partner agency legislative efforts as they interface with regional transportation priorities, when they are consistent with Transportation Agency for Monterey County priorities.



DRAFT 201920 Legislative Program

Federal Priorities

- 1F.** Support stabilizing and increasing transportation infrastructure funding sources to avoid the bankruptcy of the federal highway and transit trust funds:
 1. Increase and index the gas tax to inflation.
 2. Explore innovative funding mechanisms, such as a pay-by-the-mile user fee and public private partnerships.
 3. Expand access to Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loans.
 4. Remove procedural obstacles that impede expenditure of authorized federal funding.
 5. Support the return of directed federal funding for transportation priorities.
 6. Coordinate with military installations in Monterey County to seek funding for transportation projects with a nexus to those installations.
 7. Support Monterey-Salinas Transit application for federal funding for the SURF Bus Line in the Monterey Branch Line corridor.
 8. Support applications for the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Transportation Discretionary Grant program on the California Central Coast.
- 2F.** Allow the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to substitute for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), without restrictions, and expand the definition of Categorical Exclusions, while retaining environmental protections.
- 3F.** Support streamlining of federal rail funding and removal of funding barriers between commuter and intercity rail programs, with the goal of increasing passenger rail service for the traveling public.
- 4F.** Support an adequate level of funding for Amtrak and support a fair share allocation to California for capital improvements and vehicle acquisition.
- 5F.** Support efforts to change the update timeline for the Regional Transportation Plan from the current four years to eight years.
- 6F.** Support member agencies' requests for federal funding of regionally significant transportation projects and support partner agency legislative efforts as they interface with regional transportation priorities, when they are consistent with Transportation Agency for Monterey County priorities.



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **2019 Public Participation Plan Approval**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ADOPT 2019 Public Participation Plan.

SUMMARY:

On June 26, 2019, the Transportation Agency's Board of Directors authorized the release of the *Draft 2019 Public Participation Plan* for a 45-day public comment review period, and held a public hearing for the *Draft 2019 Public Participation Plan* at the August 28, 2019 Board Meeting. This item requests that the Board adopt the final version of the *2019 Public Participation Plan*.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Staff time to participate in updating the Public Participation Plan is funded through state planning funds allocated to the Transportation Agency for transportation planning. These funds are included in the Agency's approved budget.

DISCUSSION:

The Association of Monterey Bay Area Government Area Governments (AMBAG) is required by federal regulations to prepare and maintain a public participation plan for the tri-county region. This comprehensive document guides regional planning agencies, such as the Transportation Agency for Monterey County and local jurisdictions in the public participation process and how it will be structured for federally-funded transportation plans, programs and projects in the region. Staff for the Transportation Agency has assisted AMBAG in the preparation of this draft plan.

AMBAG, as the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Monterey Bay region, prepares and adopts the Public Participation Plan at least once every four years. The prior Public Participation Plan, the 2015 Monterey Bay Area Public Participation Plan, was adopted by AMBAG in April 2015 to comply with the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users legislation. The *2019 Public Participation Plan* covers the four-year period from 2019-2023 and must comply with the current Federal Surface Transportation Act, Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), which was enacted in 2015. The *2019 Public Participation Plan* emphasizes the transportation decision making process, including the expanded use of visualization techniques and innovative online marketing strategies in public outreach.

The requirements for the Public Participation Plan under the FAST Act include increased involvement and collaboration with members of the public, decision makers and staff from the local jurisdictions and partner agencies within the region.

Key sections of the *2019 Public Participation Plan* are listed below:

- Public Participation Plan Guiding Principles
- 2019 Public Participation Plan Timeline
- Incorporating Limited English-Proficiency Populations into the Public Participation Plan
- Public Participation Plan Procedures and Development Process
- Interested Parties and Public Engagement
- Online and Visualization Outreach Strategies

Recognizing that the essential component of public outreach is communication, the Transportation Agency Board of Directors adopted a set of strategic goals in 2017 which included the need to enhance public communications. The *Final Draft 2019 Public Participation Plan* provides the tools to accomplish that goal.

On June 26, 2019, the Transportation Agency's Board of Directors received the *Draft 2019 Public Participation Plan* and authorized its release for a 45-day public comment review period; and scheduled a public hearing for the draft plan to take place at their next meeting. The Board of Directors conducted the public hearing for the *Draft 2019 Public Participation Plan* on August 28, 2019. This report requests that the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board of Directors adopt the *Final Draft 2019 Public Participation Plan*.

A link to the *Final Draft 2019 Public Participation Plan* is provided as a web attachment. More information about the plan can be found on the AMBAG website at: <https://ambag.org/programs-services/planning/public-participation-plan>.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[Final_2019_PPP_with_Appendices \(1\)](#)



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Michael Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: City of Salinas Regional Surface Transportation Program Fair Share Allocation

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Regional Surface Transportation Program Fair Share Allocation:

1. **APPROVE** the request by the City of Salinas to program \$900,000 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds to the East Laurel Drive Pedestrian Improvement Project; and
2. **APPROVE** amending Exhibit A of the local funding agreement to include this project and funding.

SUMMARY:

The Agency has distributed Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funding by population to the local jurisdictions for a wide range of eligible transportation projects. Funding is available at the discretion of the local jurisdiction for their chosen projects, upon approval by the Transportation Agency Board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Regional Surface Transportation Program was established by the State of California to utilize gas tax revenues on a wide variety of local transportation projects. The Transportation Agency receives these funds, which total approximately \$3.5 million to \$4.0 million per year, and distributes them to the Cities and County in two methods: fair share and competitive share. The Transportation Agency distributes \$1.2 million per year as the fair share component to the cities and County based on population. The City of Salinas has a sufficient balance in its fair share reserve to program \$900,000 to the East Laurel Drive Pedestrian Improvement Project.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Agency is tasked with reviewing projects proposed for Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share monies and approving the funding if the project is deemed eligible under state law. Examples of the types of transportation projects that are eligible for funding include: local street and roadway rehabilitation, bicycle facilities, pedestrian facilities, public transit capital and signal coordination and other safety and operational improvements.

The City of Salinas is requesting that TAMC program \$900,000 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds to the East Laurel Pedestrian Improvement Project. This project consists of providing a new sidewalk along East Laurel Drive from North Sanborn Road to Constitution Boulevard, where no sidewalk currently exists; trail lighting along the existing trails fronting East Laurel Drive from Gabilan Creek to Natividad Creek; and installation of new street lighting on East Laurel Drive from Natividad Medical Hospital to North Sanborn Road. Staff confirms that this project is eligible for this funding and recommends that the Board approve this request.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▣ Salinas - Allocation Request Letter
- ▣ Agency Funding Agreement - Exhibit A - Salinas



August 22, 2019

Debra L. Hale
Executive Director
Transportation Agency of Monterey County (TAMC)
55 B Plaza Circle
Salinas, CA 93901-2902

Attn: Michael Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner

RE: Request for RSTP Fair Share Allocation for East Laurel Pedestrian Improvement Project CIP 9220

Dear Ms. Hale:

The City of Salinas requests that TAMC allocate \$900,000 of RSTP fair share funds for the East Laurel Pedestrian Improvement project. The project is to provide new sidewalk along East Laurel Drive from North Sanborn Road to Constitution Boulevard where no sidewalk currently exists; trail lighting along existing trails fronting East Laurel Drive from Gabilan Creek to Natividad Creek and repairs to trails; installation of new street lighting on East Laurel Drive from Natividad Medical Hospital to North Sanborn Road; traffic signal safety modifications and ADA improvements at the East Laurel/Constitution Blvd intersection.

Additional, we request that the Alisal Skyway Roundabout and Sanborn Road-John Street Intersection Improvement accounts be closed out and funds be returned to the City's fair share balance. Refer to Exhibit A for TAMC's outstanding balance sheet.

Please let me know if you need any additional information or have any questions.

Sincerely,

David Jacobs, P.E. L.S.,
Director of Public Works

Attachment
Exhibit A

Cc: Hilda Garcia, P.W. Admin Supervisor
James Serrano, Transportation Manager

Transportation Agency for Monterey County
 Master State and Federal Funding Agreement
 Exhibit A

City of Salinas

Agency	Board Approval Date	Fund Expiration Date	Type	Project	Budget	Paid	Balance Outstanding
Salinas	8/27/2014	8/27/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Alisal - Skyway Roundabout	919,100	910,533	8,567
Salinas	3/26/2014	3/26/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Sanborn Rd. - John St. Intersection Improvement	58,400	39,594	18,806
Salinas	3/26/2014	3/26/2017	RSTP Fair Share	East Market St. Phase 3	156,000	156,000	-
Salinas	3/26/2014	3/26/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Sidewalk Repairs Program	50,000	50,000	-
Salinas	8/27/2014	8/27/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Salinas Vibrancy Plan	25,099	25,099	-
Salinas	3/26/2014	3/26/2017	RSTP Fair Share	2014 Fair Share Reserve	38,240	-	38,240
Salinas	8/27/2014	8/27/2017	RSTP Competitive	Downtown Salinas Complete Streets Improvements	310,000	54,388	255,612
Salinas	8/27/2014	8/27/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Sanborn Road Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Local Match	157,300	1,920	155,380
Salinas	9/24/2014	9/24/2017	TLC	Commuter Railroad - Lupine & Gateway Grants	233,980	-	233,980
Salinas	3/26/2014	3/26/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Sanborn Road / US 101 / Elvee Drive	1,000,000	1,000,000	-
Salinas	3/22/2017	3/22/2020	RSTP Fair Share	2017 Fair Share Reserve	923,066	-	923,066
					3,871,185	2,237,534	1,633,652

Last Revised: 3/22/2017

Approved by:

Debra L. Hale, Executive Director

Transportation Agency for Monterey County
Master State and Federal Funding Agreement
Exhibit A

City of Salinas

Agency	Board Approval Date	Fund Expiration Date	Type	Active Projects	Budget	Paid	Balance Outstanding
Salinas	3/26/2014	3/26/2017	RSTP Fair Share	2014 Fair Share Reserve	\$ 38,240	\$ -	\$ 38,240
Salinas	8/27/2014	8/27/2018	RSTP Competitive	Downtown Salinas Complete Streets Improvements	\$ 310,000	\$ 75,913	\$ 234,087
Salinas	8/27/2014	8/27/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Sanborn Road Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Local Match	\$ 157,300	\$ 17,135	\$ 140,165
Salinas	9/24/2014	9/24/2017	TLC	Commuter Railroad - Lupine & Gateway Grants	\$ 233,980	\$ -	\$ 233,980
Salinas	3/22/2017	3/22/2020	RSTP Fair Share	2017 Fair Share Reserve	\$ 42,538	\$ -	\$ 42,538
Salinas	8/23/2017	8/23/2020	RSTP Competitive	Downtown Salinas Complete Streets Improvements	\$ 2,970,000	\$ -	\$ 2,970,000
Salinas	10/23/2019	10/23/2022	RSTP Fair Share	East Laurel Pedestrian Improvement Project	\$ 900,000	\$ -	\$ 900,000
					\$ 4,652,059	\$ 93,048	\$ 4,559,011

Agency	Board Approval Date	Fund Expiration Date	Type	Completed Projects	Budget	Paid	Balance Outstanding
Salinas	3/26/2014	3/26/2017	RSTP Fair Share	East Market St. Phase 3	\$ 156,000	\$ 156,000	\$ -
Salinas	3/26/2014	3/26/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Sidewalk Repairs Program	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -
Salinas	8/27/2014	8/27/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Salinas Vibrancy Plan	\$ 25,099	\$ 25,099	\$ -
Salinas	3/26/2014	3/26/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Sanborn Road / US 101 / Elvee Drive	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -
Salinas	8/27/2014	8/27/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Alisal - Skyway Roundabout	\$ 910,533	\$ 910,533	\$ -
Salinas	3/26/2014	3/26/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Sanborn Rd. - John St. Interesection Improvement	\$ 47,495	\$ 47,495	\$ -
					\$ 2,189,126	\$ 2,189,126	\$ -

Last Revised: 8/23/2017

Approved by: _____
 Debra L. Hale, Executive Director



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Michael Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: Measure X Ordinance Amendment 2nd Reading and Adoption

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ADOPT Ordinance 2019-01 to revise the Measure X Maintenance of Effort calculation.

SUMMARY:

The purpose of the Measure X annual audit is to confirm that the funding recipients -- TAMC, the County of Monterey and the twelve incorporated cities -- have complied with the voter-approved requirements specified in Ordinance 2016-01 for the Transportation Safety and Investment Plan, including the "maintenance of effort" requirement. The proposed amendment will change the method for calculating the existing ordinance's required maintenance of effort to be the greater of the SB 1 requirement, or the amount local funds spent in fiscal year 2016/17, plus an annual growth factor.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approved by 69% of the voters in 2016, Measure X was projected to generate an estimated \$20 million annually, for a total of \$600 million over thirty years. Revenues have been collected since April, 2017, and in fact, the receipts for fiscal year 2017/18 totaled \$28,026,311. The funding source is a retail transactions and use tax of 3/8 cents. The revenue from the sales tax measure can only be used to fund transportation safety and mobility projects in Monterey County. A maintenance of effort requirement exists to assure that the cities and county do not use Measure X funding to backfill prior levels of transportation expenditures.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Agency has fiduciary responsibility for the administration of the voter-approved Transportation Safety and Investment Plan (Measure X) funds. Each jurisdiction entered into a tax sharing agreement with the Transportation Agency in order to receive their share of Measure X Local Streets & Roads revenues. In exchange, these agreements require the jurisdictions to submit audit reports annually to the Transportation Agency detailing the steps taken to comply with the implementing ordinance.

Transportation Agency staff evaluated this year's process and recommends a few changes to help clarify the maintenance of effort requirements and avoid reporting delinquencies in the future. One of the changes staff is recommending is an adjustment to the Maintenance of Effort requirement.

The purpose of the Maintenance of Effort requirement is to assure that no funds previously used for transportation are shifted to other uses and then back-filled with Measure X monies - the so-called "bait and switch." Measure X

currently has a rolling three-year average calculation of Maintenance of Effort. By contrast, the state's Senate Bill 1 program calculates Maintenance of Effort based on a fixed three years of past expenditures (Fiscal Years 2009/2010, 2010/2011, and 2011/2012). The goal of modifying the Measure X Maintenance of Effort is to meet the Measure X Maintenance of Effort intent without penalizing agencies that make a large one-time investment in transportation. All jurisdictions must meet the SB 1 maintenance of effort requirement in order to receive state SB 1 maintenance funds. Staff's original proposal was to make the Measure X maintenance of effort calculation be the same as the SB 1 requirement. However, after reviewing the amounts, it became clear that in some jurisdictions, this change would result in a large drop in local funds devoted to transportation. It was therefore recommended to base the maintenance of effort calculation on the greater of SB 1's three year period or FY 2016/17 local funds expended on transportation.

This issue was discussed by the Technical Advisory Committee and the Measure X Citizen Advisory Committee. The Citizen Advisory Committee added a recommendation for an annual inflationary growth factor, resulting in the the following proposal to modify to the Maintenance of Effort section of the Measure X ordinance:

LOCAL ROAD MAINTENANCE, POTHOLE REPAIRS AND SAFETY FUNDS.

B. Maintenance of Effort Requirements

Each local jurisdiction shall expend each fiscal year from its general fund for street and highway purposes an amount not less than the annual average of its expenditures from its general fund during the ~~preceding three fiscal years~~ **2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12 fiscal years, but not less than what was expended in 2016-17 (when Measure X passed)**, as reported to the Controller pursuant to Streets and Highways Code section 2151. **This baseline amount will be indexed annually to the Engineering News Record construction index.**

The proposed baseline Maintenance of Effort amounts are shown below, highlighted and in bold:

	Current Measure X	Proposed (higher amount of SB1 or FY16/17) Senate Bill 1	Fiscal Year 2016/17
County	\$4,966,476	\$2,286,667	\$4,940,363
Carmel	\$639,565	\$557,048	\$175,508
Del Rey Oaks	\$33,956	\$80,748	\$61,043
Gonzales	\$0	\$0	\$0
Greenfield	\$0	\$0	\$0
King City	\$47,912	\$2,596	\$51,309
Marina	\$401,090	\$243,064	\$434,257
Monterey	\$2,744,630	\$2,783,933	\$2,919,095
Pacific Grove	\$187,549	\$481,407	\$184,000
Salinas	\$4,475,933	\$2,200,521	\$3,984,744
Sand City	\$509,475	\$478,218	\$276,000
Seaside	\$587,327	\$301,962	\$653,790
Soledad	\$0	\$0	\$0

If Measure X is amended as recommended, each jurisdiction will have the above-defined baseline Maintenance of Effort that must be met in order to qualify for Measure X funds. The proposed amendment will tie this baseline amount to an annual index for engineering costs (much like a cost of living adjustment), in order to account for incremental increases in construction costs.

The Transportation Safety and Investment Plan Policies includes an established process for how the policies may be amended:

1. Review and recommendation from the Citizens Oversight Committee - **completed July 16, 2019;**
2. Provide a 45-day comment period - **initiated August 28, 2019;** and
3. Hold a noticed public hearing - **held on September 25, 2019;** and
4. Receive approval from the Transportation Agency Board by a 2/3 vote and by a simple majority weighted vote based on population - **scheduled for October 23, 2019.**

Transportation Agency Counsel has reviewed this process for amending the Measure X Ordinance and recommends the Agency follow the above process, if the Board of Directors supports moving forward with the proposed modifications. On August 28, 2019, as part of this process, the Board of Directors introduced, waived reading, and set October 23, 2019 at 9:00 am, for the adoption of the proposed amendment. The amended ordinance will become effective within 30 days of adoption.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Ordinance 2019-01

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[Memo from Kay Reimann, TAMC Counsel re: Measure X Ordinance Amendment Process](#)

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-01

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
AMENDING ORDINANCE 2016-01 FOR THE
TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND INVESTMENT PLAN
AND RETAIL TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX**

Agency Counsel Summary

This ordinance amends Section 11 of Ordinance 2016-01, the Transportation Safety and Investment Plan and Retail Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance, to revise the Maintenance of Effort calculation. It will not affect the period of the existing tax, nor increase its rate, nor impose a new tax.

The Board of Directors of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County ordains as follows:

The following language shall replace Section 11 of Ordinance 2016-01 in full:

Section 11. LOCAL ROAD MAINTENANCE, POTHOLE REPAIRS AND SAFETY FUNDS.

A. State Law. Pursuant to section 180200 of the Public Utilities Code, the revenues provided from transactions and use taxes imposed by this Ordinance shall be used to supplement existing revenues being used for transportation improvements and programs. Each local jurisdiction receiving funds pursuant to this ordinance shall meet the requirements of that section. Under State enabling legislation, funds generated pursuant to the retail transactions and use tax are to be used to supplement and not replace existing local revenues used for transportation purposes. To meet these requirements, a jurisdiction must demonstrate maintenance of a minimum level of local street and road expenditures in conformance with the requirements below.

B. Maintenance of Effort Requirements. Each local jurisdiction shall expend each fiscal year from its general fund for street and highway purposes an amount not less than the annual average of its expenditures from its general fund during the 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12 fiscal years, as reported to the Controller pursuant to Streets and Highways Code section 2151, but not less than what was expended in fiscal year 2016-17 when Measure X passed (the baseline amount). This baseline amount will be indexed annually to the Engineering News Record construction index.

C. Separate Account. For ease of tracking and to assure full transparency, all revenues received and expenditures of these funds will be accounted for and tracked in its own separate budget and fund titled "Transportation Safety & Investment Plan Account" and will not be comingled with any other funds.

D. Verification of Maintenance of Effort. TAMC may request fiscal data from local jurisdictions, in addition to data provided pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 2151 for the three previous fiscal years. Each local jurisdiction shall furnish the data to the TAMC not later than 120 days after receiving a request therefor. TAMC may withhold payments to local jurisdictions which do not comply with requests for information or which provide incomplete

information. At the conclusion of each fiscal year, each local jurisdiction shall verify compliance with the provisions in this ordinance. Subject to compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance and to any adjustment in the amount of such payments in accordance with this Ordinance, TAMC shall distribute Local Road Maintenance, Pothole Repair and Safety payments pursuant this Ordinance.

E. New Cities. For each local jurisdiction incorporated after the effective date of this Ordinance, the maintenance of effort requirement defined in Section 5 shall not apply for three years thereafter commencing with the date that the local jurisdiction was incorporated.

F. Pavement Management Program. Each city and the County of Monterey shall develop, or participate in the development of by TAMC, a pavement management program. They shall submit regular reports on the conditions of their streets, to ensure timely repairs and keep the public informed. Development of the pavement management program by TAMC is eligible to be funded out of this program prior to distribution of funds to the cities and County.

G. Regional Development Impact Fee. Each city and the County of Monterey shall maintain participation in the Transportation Agency for Monterey County’s Regional Development Impact Fee program and impose these fees on new development as applicable to assure that new development pays for its impacts on the regional transportation system.

H. Tax Sharing Agreements. Each city and the County of Monterey shall enter into tax sharing agreements with TAMC that will include enforcement procedures, designed to reassure the public that tax revenues are spent in accordance with the ballot language. For example, each of the above conditions will be subject to verification and annual audit by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County. Failure to meet any of the above conditions will result in the suspension of the distribution of funds from the County Auditor-Controller to the deficient city/county. Resumption of funding distribution by the County Auditor-Controller to the deficient city/county will resume only after full repayment for any misuse, and conformation of compliance to each of the above conditions by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County. Transportation Safety & Investment Plan funding accrued due to the failure of a city/county to meet the above conditions will be held in trust for up to two (2) years for said jurisdiction, after which the funds will be redistributed to the remaining cities/county in Monterey County per formula. The tax sharing agreements will also provide that resumption of funding can occur at any time during the life of the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan upon compliance with the above conditions and full repayment of any prior misused funds.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California this — day of _____ 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ROBERT HUITT, CHAIR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

ATTEST:

DEBRA L. HALE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

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Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Michael Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: Measure X Local Funding Agreement Amendment

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Measure X Local Funding Agreement Amendment:

1. **APPROVE** Amendment #1 to the Measure X Master Programs Funding Agreement to make the Maintenance of Effort calculation consistent with Ordinance 2019-01; and
2. **DISTRIBUTE** to the cities and County of Monterey for their adoption.

SUMMARY:

Upon Board approval, Ordinance 2019-01 will change the method for calculating the existing ordinance's required maintenance of effort to be the greater of the Senate Bill 1 requirement, or the amount local funds spent in fiscal year 2016/17, plus an annual growth factor. This proposed action would amend the Measure X Master Programs Funding Agreement between TAMC and each local jurisdiction to make the maintenance of effort calculation consistent with Ordinance 2019-01.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Measure X was projected to generate an estimated \$20 million annually, for a total of \$600 million over thirty years. Revenues have been collected since April, 2017, and in fact, the receipts for fiscal year 2017/18 totaled \$28,026,311. The amount distributed to local jurisdictions in fiscal year 2017/18 was \$16,338,958 million.

DISCUSSION:

On May 24, 2017, the Transportation Agency Board approved the Measure X Local Funding Agreement, which includes enforcement procedures designed to reassure the public that tax revenues are spent in accordance with the implementing ordinance. This included a requirement for the jurisdictions to report on maintenance of effort, which was defined in the agreement using the same language from the Measure X implementing ordinance (Ordinance 2016-01) as a rolling three-year average of general fund transportation expenditures.

At the August 28, 2019 meeting, the Transportation Agency Board of Directors initiated a process to amend the implementing ordinance (Ordinance 2019-01) to revise the maintenance of effort calculation to be the higher of either the amount used for the Senate Bill 1 Local Streets and Roads maintenance of effort (average of general fund transportation expenditures for fiscal years 2009/10, 2010/11, and 2011/12) or the general fund transportation expenditures for fiscal year 2016/17, indexed for construction cost inflation.

Pending Transportation Agency Board approval of Ordinance 2019-01 at the October 23, 2019 meeting, each local

jurisdiction receiving a share of the Local Streets and Roads component of Measure X funding will need to approve an amendment to the Measure X Master Programs Funding Agreement to make the calculation of maintenance of effort included in that agreement consistent with what is proposed in Ordinance 2019-01. A draft copy of that amendment is attached for Board consideration. Subject to Board approval of Ordinance 2019-01 and this draft amendment, the amendment will then be circulated to the cities and County of Monterey for their approval in advance of the Measure X annual reporting deadline of December 31 2019.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Measure X Master Programs Funding Agreement - Amendment 1

AMENDMENT #1 TO MEASURE X MASTER PROGRAMS FUNDING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
AND
JURISDICTION

THIS AMENDMENT No. 1 to the agreement originally dated [REDACTED], between the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, hereinafter referred to as “TAMC,” and **JURISDICTION**, hereinafter referred to as “Jurisdiction,” is hereby entered into between TAMC and the Jurisdiction.

RECITALS:

- A. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Jurisdiction entered into a Measure X Master Programs Funding Agreement on [REDACTED], hereinafter referred to as “Agreement;”
- B. **WHEREAS**, both the Agreement and Measure X implementing ordinance (Ordinance 2016-01) included a Maintenance of Effort requirement defined as an average of the prior three years spent for local transportation purposes; and
- C. **WHEREAS**, subsequent to the adoption of Measure X, the State of California adopted “SB 1,” which provided, among other things, funding to local jurisdictions based upon a different Maintenance of Effort calculation, thus creating potential confusion and conflicts in such calculations for Measure X jurisdictions; and
- D. **WHEREAS**, TAMC also received feedback from local jurisdictions during the Fiscal Year 2017/18 Measure X Annual Reporting period that this Maintenance of Effort calculation would penalize local jurisdictions that make large one-time investments in transportation maintenance improvements;
- E. **WHEREAS**, on July 16, 2019, the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee recommended that the Maintenance of Effort definition be revised to “an amount not less than the annual average of its expenditures from its general fund during the preceding three fiscal years 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12 fiscal years, but not less than what was expended in 2016-17 (when Measure X passed), as reported to the Controller pursuant to Streets and Highways Code section 2151. This baseline amount will be indexed annually to the Engineering News Record construction index.”;
- F. **WHEREAS**, on October 23, 2019, the TAMC Board of Directors, with support from the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee and Jurisdiction, duly approved Ordinance 2019-01, which amended the Measure X implementing ordinance (Ordinance 2016-01) to revise the definition for calculating the Maintenance of Effort, as described above; and
- G. **WHEREAS**, TAMC and Jurisdiction desire to amend the Agreement to make the Maintenance of Effort definition consistent with Ordinance 2019-01.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Article I, Paragraph 4

The definition of “Maintenance of Effort Report” shall be replaced in its entirety with the following:

Maintenance of Effort Report: A report to be adopted by a jurisdiction, no later than December 31 of each year the Measure X tax is in effect, verifying that Measure X funds received by the reporting jurisdiction have been used to augment, and not supplant, local resources spent in the fiscal year, as described in Article IV Section A.6. The amount of local resources spent for the fiscal year is calculated as the annual average of its expenditures from its general fund during the 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12 fiscal years, but not less than what was expended in 2016-17 (when Measure X passed), as reported to the Controller pursuant to Streets and Highways Code section 2151. This baseline amount will be indexed annually to the Engineering News Record construction index.”

2. Article IV, Section A, Paragraph 6

Article IV, Section A, Paragraph 6 shall be replaced in its entirety with the following:

6. RECIPIENT shall certify, no later than August 31, 2017 and December 31st of each year thereafter, in an annual Maintenance of Effort Report verification that these Measure X funds are used to augment and not supplant local resources spent. RECIPIENT shall expend each fiscal year from its general fund for street and highway purposes an amount not less than the annual average of its expenditures from its general fund during the 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12 fiscal years, but not less than what was expended in 2016-17 (when Measure X passed), as reported to the Controller pursuant to Streets and Highways Code section 2151 (“Maintenance of Effort”). This baseline amount will be indexed annually to the Engineering News Record construction index.”

3. REMAINDER OF TERMS UNCHANGED

All other terms of the Agreement remain in full effect.

An executed copy of this Amendment No. 1 shall be attached to the Agreement and shall be incorporated as if fully set forth therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement with Consultant.

TAMC:

JURISDICTION:

Debra L. Hale
Executive Director

(date)

(date)

Approved as to form:

TAMC Counsel

(date)



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Michael Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: City of Seaside Regional Surface Transportation Program Fair Share Allocation

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Regional Surface Transportation Program Fair Share Allocation:

1. **APPROVE** the request by the City of Seaside to program \$221,901 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds to the Intersection Control Evaluation & Corridor Studies Project; and
2. **APPROVE** amending Exhibit A of the local funding agreement to include this project and funding.

SUMMARY:

The Agency has distributed Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funding by population to the local jurisdictions for a wide range of eligible transportation projects. Funding is available at the discretion of the local jurisdiction for their chosen projects, upon approval by the Transportation Agency Board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Regional Surface Transportation Program was established by the State of California to utilize gas tax revenues on a wide variety of local transportation projects. The Transportation Agency receives these funds, which total approximately \$3.5 million to \$4.0 million per year, and distributes them to the Cities and County in two methods: fair share and competitive share. The Transportation Agency distributes \$1.2 million per year as the fair share component to the cities and County based on population. The City of Seaside has a sufficient balance in its fair share reserve to program \$221,901 to the Intersection Control Evaluation & Corridor Studies Project.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Agency is tasked with reviewing projects proposed for Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share monies and approving the funding if the project is deemed eligible under state law. Examples of the types of transportation projects that are eligible for funding include: local street and roadway rehabilitation, bicycle facilities, pedestrian facilities, public transit capital and signal coordination and other safety and operational improvements.

The City of Seaside is requesting that TAMC program \$221,901 in Regional Surface Transportation Program fair share funds to the Intersection Control Evaluation & Corridor Studies Project. This project consists of intersection control evaluations of various locations within the City of Seaside. The purpose of conducting an Intersection Control Evaluation is to evaluate the benefit of roundabouts or other alternative control devices to traditional signalized intersections, and assist the decision-making process in identifying potential improvements for an intersection. In addition, the scope of work will include a corridor and bicycle path evaluation of Broadway Avenue from General Jim Moore Boulevard to Fremont Boulevard, and Yosemite Street from Sonoma Avenue to La Salle

Avenue.

Staff confirms that this project is eligible for this funding and recommends that the Board approve this request.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Seaside - Allocation Request Letter
- Agency Funding Agreement - Exhibit A



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October 8, 2019

Ms. Debbie Hale,
Executive Director
Transportation Agency for Monterey County
555 Plaza Circle, Suite B
Salinas, CA 93901

Subject: Request for Regional Surface Transportation Program Fair Share Allocation

Dear Debbie Hale,

The City of Seaside is requesting to allocate its 2017 Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Fair Share of \$221,901 to the Intersection Control Evaluation and Corridor Studies Project. This project consists of intersection control evaluations (ICE) of various locations within the City of Seaside. In addition to an ICE Study, the scope of work will include a corridor and bicycle path evaluation of Broadway Ave. from General Jim Moore to Fremont Blvd. and Yosemite St. from Sonoma Ave. to La Salle Ave. The study will be used to evaluate and prioritize projects, and prepare initial conceptual designs to include for funding applications and potential grant opportunities.

We appreciate the consideration of this request by the TAMC Board of Directors. Should you have any questions, please contact Misty Bradshaw at 831-899-6886 or at mbradshaw@ci.seaside.ca.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rick Riedl".

Rick Riedl
City Engineer / Public Works Director

Transportation Agency for Monterey County
Master State and Federal Funding Agreement
Exhibit A

City of Seaside

Agency	Board Approval Date	Fund Expiration Date	Type	Active Projects	Budget	Paid	Balance Outstanding
Seaside	8/27/2014	6/30/2019	RSTP Competitive	West Broadway Urban Village Infrastructure Improvements Project	\$ 3,798,750	\$ 1,592,367	\$ 2,206,383
Seaside	3/22/2017	3/22/2020	RSTP Fair Share	Intersection Control Evaluation & Corridor Studies Project	\$ 221,901	\$ -	\$ 221,901
					\$ 4,020,651	\$ 1,592,367	\$ 2,428,284

Agency	Board Approval Date	Fund Expiration Date	Type	Completed Projects	Budget	Paid	Balance Outstanding
Seaside	8/27/2014	8/27/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Final Design & Construction of Coe Avenue Bikeway	\$ 606	\$ 606	\$ -
Seaside	3/26/2014	8/27/2017	RSTP Competitive	Broadway Ave. Improvements	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ -
Seaside	8/27/2014	8/27/2017	RSTP Fair Share	Broadway Ave. Improvements	\$ 542,962	\$ 542,962	\$ -
Seaside	9/28/2016	9/28/2019	RSTP Fair Share	West Broadway Urban Village Infrastructure Improvements Project	\$ 1,588	\$ 1,588	\$ -
Seaside	8/27/2014	8/27/2017	TDA 2%	West Broadway Urban Village Infrastructure Improvements Project	\$ 251,250	\$ 251,250	\$ -
					\$ 1,296,406	\$ 1,296,406	\$ -

Last Revised: 10/23/2019

Approved by: _____
 Debra L. Hale, Executive Director



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee Appointment**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE the appointment of Sam Teel as the alternate representative for the Monterey Peninsula Hospitality Association on the Measure X Transportation Safety & Investment Plan Citizens Oversight Committee.

SUMMARY:

The Transportation Safety & Investment Plan Policies calls for the formation of a Citizens Oversight Committee representing a diverse range of community interests. Representatives of these interests must be nominated by their organizations and appointed to serve on the Citizens Oversight Committee by the Transportation Agency's Board of Directors.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Transportation Safety & Investment Plan, approved by voters on November 8, 2016, is anticipated to generate an estimated \$600 million over thirty years through a retail transactions and use tax of a three-eighths' of one-percent (3/8%). This funding will make a significant dent in the billions of dollars in unmet road repair needs and regional road safety and mobility project needs and, in some cases, will help get transportation projects off the ground sooner than planned.

DISCUSSION:

In accordance with the Policies & Project Descriptions for the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan, a Citizens Oversight Committee representing a diverse range of community interests was formed within 6 months of voter approval of Measure X.

Members and their alternates were nominated by the bona fide organization they are representing. Additional members were appointed by the Transportation Agency Board of Directors to assure that a broad range of geographic and stakeholder interests are represented on the committee.

Members of the Citizens Oversight Committee were appointed by the Transportation Agency Board of Directors on March 22, 2017. Initial terms were staggered, with half of the committee members serving a 2-year term, and the other half serving a 3-year term, as specified by the Transportation Agency.

Gary Cursio, the alternate representative for the Monterey Peninsula Hospitality Association, has resigned from the Measure X Citizen Oversight Committee. In response, the Hospitality Association has nominated Sam Teel to fill this vacancy. This report seeks the Board's approval to appoint Sam Teel as the alternate representative for the Monterey Peninsula Hospitality Association on the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee.



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant and Clerk of the Board
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: **TAMC Committee Minutes**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ACCEPT draft minutes of the Transportation Agency Committees:

- Executive Committee - October 2, 2019
- [Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee](#) - October 2, 2019
- [Technical Advisory Committee](#) - October 3, 2019
- Rail Policy Committee - October 7, 2019
- [Excellent Transportation Oversight Committee](#) - October 15, 2019

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▣ Executive Committee Draft Minutes of October 2, 2019
- ▣ Rail Policy Committee Draft Minutes of October 7, 2019

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: Robert Huitt (Chair),
 Luis Alejo (1st Vice Chair), Ed Smith (2nd Vice Chair),
 John Phillips (Past Chair),
 Mary Adams (County representative), Michael LeBarre (City representative)*

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

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

Transportation Agency Conference Room
 55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	NOV 18	JAN 19	FEB 19	MAR 19	APR 19	MAY 19	JUN 19	AUG 19	SEP 19	OCT 19
Luis Alejo, 1st Vice Chair Supr. Dist. 1 (L. Gonzales; J. Gomez)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P
Michael LeBarre, City Representative King City (C. DeLeon)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Robert Huitt, Chair Pacific Grove (D. Gho)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
John Phillips, Past Chair Supr. Dist. 2 (J. Stratton)	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mary Adams, County Representative Supr. Dist. 5 (Y. Anderson)	P		P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P(A)	P	P(A)
Ed Smith, 2nd Vice Chair Monterey (A. Renny)	E	P	E	P	P	P	E	P	P	P

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Huitt called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

Staff present: Goel, Hale, Rodriguez, Watson and Zeller

Others present: Agency Counsel Kay Reimann; MST CEO/General Manager Carl Sedoryk, 1st Vice Chair Alternate Linda Gonzales, Agency Legislative Analyst Gus Khouri, Todd Clark and Mason Clark of Museum of Handcar Technology

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

3.1 On a motion by Committee Member Phillips and seconded by Committee Member Smith, the committee voted 6-0 to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of September 4, 2019.

END OF CONSENT

4. **STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE & DRAFT 2020 PROGRAM**

The Committee received an update on state legislative issues and discussed topics for the 2020 draft legislative program.

Gus Khouri, Agency legislative consultant, reported on state legislative activities and the final bill list. He announced that Governor Newsom appointed Toks Omishakin as Director of the California Department of Transportation. Governor Newsom also appointed David Kim as the new Secretary of Transportation. Mr. Khouri highlighted bills of interest, including TAMC's Senate Bill 628 (Caballero), which the Governor vetoed on September 27, citing that it might reestablish a precedent and divert funding away from bond debt payments. He reported on the Governor's Executive Order on Climate Change, noting that he had heard that it was not intended to shift funding away from highway safety or freight projects.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reviewed the 2019 legislative program and recommended updates to create the draft 2020 legislative program. The draft 2020 program will be on the Board of Directors' Agenda on October 23, for approval to circulate to Committees for review in November.

Committee members agreed to add to the program two items:

- 1 - Legislation to provide an exemption to the no-take rules for the Santa Cruz Long-Toed Salamander in order to allow the State Route 156 improvements at Castroville Boulevard to move forward.
- 2 – A new policy to support legislation to modernize the so-called Speed Trap law to promote lower speeds, particularly in cities, to improve safety. MST representatives also indicated their support for this legislation, adding that slowing down traffic will make it safer for bus passengers walking to and from bus stops.

Chair Huitt asked what TAMC is doing to advocate at the federal level. Staff noted that they coordinate with Monterey-Salinas Transit, who has a federal advocate, and the American Public Works Association, through Director Hale's member on their Government Affairs Committee.

5. **MONTEREY BRANCH LINE RECREATIONAL USE UNSOLICITED PROPOSAL**

The Committee received information and provided direction to staff as to the unsolicited proposal for interim use of the Monterey Branch Line right-of-way for a recreational enterprise.

On a substitute motion by Committee Member Alejo and second by Past Chair Phillips, to direct staff to ask the proposers to submit a detailed proposal, the Committee voted 3-3, and the motion failed. (Ayes: Alejo, Phillips, Huitt;

Noes: LeBarre, Anderson, Smith)

On a motion by Committee Member Smith and second by Committee Member LeBarre to reject the proposal as incompatible with the Agency's planned uses for the corridor, the Committee voted 3-3, and the motion failed. (Ayes: LeBarre, Anderson, Smith; Noes: Alejo, Phillips, Huitt)

On a motion by Committee Member Alejo and seconded by Committee Member Phillips, the committee voted 6-0 to recommend that this item be brought to the Board of Directors for discussion and action on the proposal for the interim use of the Monterey Branch Line right-of-way for a recreational enterprise, directing staff to include an estimate of Agency staff cost and time.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, introduced the item. The Agency received an unsolicited conceptual proposal for a temporary use of the Monterey Branch Line tracks for a handcar business in the summer of 2020. Todd Clark and Mason Clark of the Museum of Handcar Technology presented their proposal for a 30-day proof of concept in 2020 to run handcars on the Monterey Branch Line and Balloon Spur between Marina and Sand City. Their goal is to eventually run the service all summer long. They noted that the service could be expanded to run electric shuttle on the tracks to provide transportation between Sand City, the Fort Ord State Beach and Marina. Director Hale noted that the activity would involve staff and legal time that would likely exceed the proposers' \$5000 cost estimate and would divert staff time away from other Agency tasks.

MST General Manager/CEO Carl Sedoryk stated that the handcar service would be incompatible with MST vehicles traveling 60 mph on the planned adjacent mass transit busway, especially at crossings. He noted that the liability and the risk is too great, adding that the use is likely incompatible with the Proposition 116 funds utilized to purchase the rail line. He expressed further concerns that this recreational may establish a precedent that could make it impossible for TAMC or MST to pursue the long-term project of light rail on the tracks.

The Committee discussed this proposal at length. Legal Counsel Reimann clarified that the issue before the Committee was whether to invite the proposers to proceed into

Phase 2 of the Unsolicited Proposal process, which involves providing substantially more information on their company and the proposed service.

Some members echoed concerns about liability and safety. They pointed out that there might be a public relations backlash when the busway service, a core Agency mission, eventually displaces the handcar business. They further expressed concerns with the staff time needed to work on this project, which they opined is not a core mission of the agency.

Other Committee members voiced support for the proposal as an innovative idea and noted that indemnity clauses could be put into the operating agreement. They added that staff time would not be excessive, particularly for the next phase of the process, which would be gathering more information from the proposers. Chair Huitt noted that it would be a good opportunity to test out the newly adopted Unsolicited Proposal process.

6. BUILDING REMOVAL ON TAMC PROPERTY AT THE FORMER FORT ORD

The Committee received an update and provided direction to staff on the proposal by FORA staff for FORA to issue bonds for the removal of buildings on the former Fort Ord, including the Transportation Agency properties.

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) is investigating the legality and feasibility of issuing debt against its statutory share of property tax revenue to fund the demolition of buildings within the former Fort Ord. He noted that with the sunset of the authorizing legislation on June 30, 2020, FORA staff estimates that there remains approximately \$50-60 million of blight removal costs. The FORA Board is considering issuing bonds to fund the building removal program prior to the dissolution of FORA. The estimated amount required to demolish the Agency-owned properties is \$3.5 million.

Committee members agreed that it would be beneficial for TAMC and entire former base to remove the unused buildings, but there are many answers needed before this can move forward. The Committee provided direction for TAMC staff to continue working with FORA on the potential bond issuance.

Staff was directed to find out from Senator Monning's staff if there would be legislation to address any lingering issues related to the dissolution of the Fort Ord Reuse Authority.

7. TAMC DRAFT AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 23, 2019

Executive Director Hale reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of October 23, 2019. After Executive Committee discussion, the following **items will be considered on the regular agenda:**

- Employee of the Quarter
- 2022 Regional Transportation Plan Update
- Go 831 Program Update
- Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Update
- Monterey Branch Line Recreational Use Unsolicited Proposal

On the consent agenda, the Board will consider actions related to:

- Transportation Excellence Awards
- Transportation Development Act Allocation & Unmet Transit Needs
- Federal Funds for Rural Transit
- Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway - Highway 218 Segment Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None this month.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Huitt adjourned the meeting at 11:03 a.m.

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
Draft Minutes of October 7, 2019
 Transportation Agency for Monterey County
 55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas, CA

	NOV 18	DEC 18	JAN 19	FEB 19	MAR 19	APR 19	MAY 19	JUNE 19	JUL 19	AUG 19	SEP 19	OCT 19
L. Alejo, Dist. 1 (L. Gonzalez, J. Gomez)	P	N	P(A)	C	P(A)	C	P(A)	P(A)	N	P(A)	C	P(A)
J. Phillips, Dist. 2 (J. Stratton, C. Link)	P(A)	O	P(A)	A	P(A)	A	P(A)	E	O	P(A)	A	P(A)
J. Parker, Dist. 4 (W. Askew)	P(A)		P(A)	N	E	N	P(A)	E		E	N	P(A)
M. Adams, Dist. 5, (Y. Anderson)	P(A)	M	P(A)	C	P(A)	C	P	E	M	P(A) TC	C	-
M. LeBarre, King City, Chair (C. DeLeon)	P	E	P	E	P	E	P	P	E	P	E	P
B. Delgado, Marina, Vice Chair (F. O'Connell)	P	E	P	L	P	L	P	P	E	P	L	P
E. Smith, Monterey (A. Renny)	E	T	P	L	P	L	P	P(A)	T	P	L	-
S. Davis, Salinas, (C. Cromeenes)	P	I	P	E	P	E	-	-	I	P	E	P
G. Hawthorne, Sand City (J. Blackwelder, K. Cruz)	-	N	-	D	-	D	-	-	N	P(A)	D	P(A)
I. Oglesby, Seaside (D. Pacheco)	P(A)	G	-		P		P	P	G	P		-
A. Chavez, Soledad (F. Ledesma)	P		-		P		-	P		-		P
D. Potter, At Large Member					-		P	P		P		E
M. Twomey, AMBAG (H. Adamson, P. Hierling)	-		P(A)		-		P(A)	P(A)		P(A)		E
O. Monroy-Ochoa, Caltrans District 5	P		-		-		-	-		-		-
C. Sedoryk, MST (L. Rheinheimer)	P(A)		P(A)		P(A)		P(A)	P(A)		P(A)		P(A)
STAFF												
D. Hale, Exec. Director	P		P		E		E	E		P		P
T. Muck, Deputy Exec. Director	P		P		P		P	P		P		P
C. Watson, Principal Transp. Planner	P		P		P		P	P		P		P
M. Zeller, Principal Transp. Planner	P		P		P		P	P		P		P
Theresa Wright, Outreach Coordinator	P		P		P		E	E		-		E
M. Montiel Admin Assistant	P		P		P		P	P		P		P
L. Williamson, Senior Engineer	P		P		E		P	P		E		P

1. **QUORUM CHECK AND CALL TO ORDER**

Chair LeBarre called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A quorum was established, and self-introductions were made.

OTHERS PRESENT

Madilyn Jacobsen	TAMC staff	Brad Tarp	Salinas Resident
Colleen Courtney	Office of Senator Monning	Rod Neubert	Salinas Resident

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C Delgado/ Askew/unanimous

3.1 Approved minutes of the August 5, 2019 Rail Policy Committee meeting.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. **SURF! BUSWAY PRESENTATION**

The Committee received an update on the MST SURF Busway project.

Debbie Hale, Executive Director, noted that the MST SURF Busway project is a Measure X project formerly known as the Highway 1 Rapid Bus Corridor.

Lisa Rheinheimer, Assistant General Manager, Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST), presented the SURF Busway project along the Monterey Branch Line. She noted that TAMC purchased the Monterey Branch Line in 2003 to preserve the right-of-way for future transit needs. In 2009, the TAMC Board adopted light rail as the preferred use for the Branch Line. Per TAMC Board action, light rail remains the long-term plan for the use of the Monterey Branch Line. Bus Rapid transit was identified in TAMC's service alternatives analysis as another viable alternatives use for the Branch Line in near term, as it would improve regional transit service along the Monterey Peninsula and provide ridership data along the corridor that can help make the case for future light rail service. In 2018, MST completed the Monterey Bay Area Feasibility Study of Bus Operations on State Route 1 Shoulders and the Monterey Branch Line. The Study analyzed seven alternatives and concluded that implementing a one-way bus rapid transit corridor on a segment of the Monterey Branch Line was the best option due to a cost-benefit assessment. In conclusion, Ms. Rheinheimer noted that MST is initiating the environmental review and preliminary design phase of work.

Committee member Delgado asked whether the RPC should take an official position related to rail vs. bus within the Monterey Branch Line corridor. Chair LeBarre noted that anticipated population growth may necessitate the coordination of bus and train schedules for both to run operations within the corridor. Executive Director Debbie Hale noted that the Network Integration Study will include an evaluation of rail on the Monterey Branch Line, which will update the 2011 ridership estimates for the corridor. She also noted that the Federal Transit Administration asked MST to look at putting buses in the corridor as a precursor to rail.

Committee member Askew noted that she hears strong support for light rail in the corridor. She also noted that the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District (MPUSD) is considering changing school start times which may help to reduce traffic congestion during the school year.

Committee alternate Stratton expressed concern that the costs associated with the busway might better be used to move the light rail project forward to environmental review. Ms. Hale noted that the light rail project is still a long way out and that the busway could have up to 15 years of operation before light rail operations could theoretically begin.

5. RAIL NETWORK INTEGRATION STUDY

The Committee received an update on the Monterey Bay Area Rail Network Integration Study.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the study will lay the groundwork for implementing the State Rail Plan in the Monterey Bay Area by determining the optimal options for: rail connectivity and operations, equipment needs, governance, and community benefits for service between Monterey County and Santa Clara County, Monterey and Santa Cruz, and the Coast Rail Corridor. She noted that this study will also assist TAMC by providing the data needed to prepare grant applications for funding new stations at Pajaro/Watsonville, Castroville, Soledad and King City. She noted that the study consultant, AECOM, finalized the Project Work Plan and Stakeholder Engagement Plan and scheduled the first meeting of the Network Advisory Committee for October 21. In conclusion, Ms. Watson noted that the team is currently developing an Existing Conditions Analysis and a Grant Strategy Memo. Ms. Watson has invited the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC) to present on their Santa Cruz Rail Line at a future meeting date

6. SALINAS RAIL KICK START PROJECT UPDATE

The Committee received an update on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the activities on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project since the last update includes progress on the construction of Package 1 and continued operations discussions with Caltrain.

Laurie Williamson, Senior Engineer, reported that the City of Salinas has almost completed its storm drain and sanitary sewer relocations in the station area, pending a separation variance waiver from the State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Drinking Water for the sanitary sewer line separation distance from the CalWater line. She noted that PG&E completed work on their joint trench along the Lincoln Avenue extension (gas and AT&T only) and MPE relocated some of the CalWater lines associated with the project. The City of Salinas approved a revised staging and traffic detour plan allowing MPE to close Station Place to initiate the construction of the east parking lot starting September 17. City storm water construction inspection frequency has increased from monthly to weekly now that we are in the rainy season (Oct 1st – April 30th).

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that TAMC's right-of-way consultant has delivered the offer packages to the property owners of Package 2 parcels and they are

negotiating for the acquisitions. He also noted that the Geocon conducted additional soil sample testing on properties previously determined to be contaminated in order to determine the extent of the arsenic that was found in the prior environmental assessment. After those results are available, Rincon will modify their contamination cleanup cost estimate.

Brad Tarp, resident, stated that the water pollution clean-up was certified by the State Water Control Board about three years ago.

Ms. Watson reported that staff continues to participate in meetings for the Central Coast Highway 1 Climate Resiliency study, the California High-Speed Rail Authority, Caltrain and the Northern California Rail Working group. She noted that Heather Adamson of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments will present a resiliency study update at the November meeting.

7. COAST CORRIDOR RAIL PROJECT UPDATE

The Committee received an update on the planned increase in passenger rail service along the coast corridor between San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the next Coast Rail Coordinating Council Policy meeting is expected to be an in-person meeting in Ventura on December 13. Ms. Watson noted that both San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) and the City of King are preparing to publish requests for proposals for the work funded through State Rail Assistance and Strategic Partnership funds.

Committee member LeBarre noted that Union Pacific has safety concerns due to multiple farm crossings accidents and expressed the need to consider paying for safety enhancements on rail line as leverage. Executive Director Debbie Hale responded that the State has asked Union Pacific how much funding might suffice to implement safety improvements and/or to purchase the corridor.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committee member Delgado noted that maintenance is needed near the TAMC corridor due to homelessness, trash, and fire hazardous on the corridor.

ADJOURN

Chair LeBarre adjourned the meeting at 4:09 p.m.



Memorandum

To: Board of Directors
From: Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant and Clerk of the Board
Meeting Date: October 23, 2019
Subject: Correspondence

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE correspondence to and from TAMC for the month of October 2019.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

- [October 1, 2019 joint letter from TAMC and the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission to Mr. Richard Macedo and Mr. Ron Unger, California Department of Fish & Wildlife, regarding Mitigation Credit Agreements Draft Guidelines Suggested Modifications](#)
- [October 2, 2019 letter from TAMC to Ingrid McRoberts, Project Manager, Active Transportation Plan, Caltrans District 5, re: Comments for Consideration regarding Caltrans District 5 Active Transportation Plan](#)
- [October 7, 2019 letter from TAMC to MST General Manager/CEO Carl Sedoryk, re: Support for funding E. Alisal Bus Rapid Transit Feasibility Study](#)
- [October 8, 2019 letter from TAMC to CalSTA Secretary David S. Kim, re: Support for Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant: Coast Rail Governance](#)

Letters to Governor Newsom re: SB 628 (Caballero): Highway Safety Improvements - REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE:

- [September 16, 2019 letter from Monterey Salinas Transit General Manager/ CEO Carl G. Sedoryk](#)
- [September 17, 2019 letter from Monterey County Hospitality Association Director of Government Affairs Gary Cursio](#)
- [September 17, 2019 letter from Soledad City Manager Michael McHatten](#)
- [September 18, 2019 letter from Monterey Mayor Clyde Roberson](#)
- [September 18, 2019 letter from King City Mayor Mike LeBarre](#)
- [September 19, 2019 letter from Pacific Grove Mayor Bill Peake](#)

Letters to Governor Newsom re: SB 742 (Allen): Intercity Bus Thruway Service Enhancements - REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE:

- [September 18, 2019 letter from Coast Rail Coordinating Council Chair Dave Potter](#)
- [September 18, 2019 letter from San Luis Obispo Council of Governments President Fred Strong](#)
- [September 19, 2019 letter from TAMC Executive Director Debbie Hale](#)