

## TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting held via Zoom

Final Minutes of Thursday, January 5, 2023

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	APR 22	MAY 22	JUN 22	JUL 22	AUG 22	SEP 22	OCT 22	NOV 22	DEC 22	JAN 23	FEB 23
R. Harary, Carmel-by-the-Sea (R. Culver)	P(A)	P	P	N	P	P	P	P	N	E	P
J. Guertin, Del Rey Oaks	-		P	O	-	-	-	-	O	-	-
P. Dobbins Gonzales, <b>Vice Chair</b> (vacant)	P		-		P	-	P	P		P	P
D. Pike, Greenfield (T. Nisich)	P		P	M	P	P	-	P	M		P(A)
O. Hurtado, King City (S. Adams)	P	P	-	E	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
B. McMinn, Marina (E. Delos Santos)	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
M. Garcia, Monterey <b>Chair</b> (A. Renny, F. Roveri)	P	P	P	T	P	P	P	P	T	P	P
D. Gho, Pacific Grove (J. Halabi)	P		P	I	P	P	P	P	I	-	P
A. Easterling, Salinas (vacant)	P		P	N	P	P	-	P	N	P	P
L. Gomez, Sand City (V. Norgaard)	-	P	P	G	P	P		P	G	P	P
N. Patel, Seaside (P. Grogan /L. Llantero)	P		-		P	P	P	P		-	-
O. Espinoza, Soledad (L. Gomez)	-	P	-		-	P	-	-		P	E
C. Alinio, MCPW (E. Saavedra)	P	P	P		P	P	P	E		E	P
M. Taylor, AMBAG (P. Hierling)	P	P	P		P	P	P	P		P	P
J. Xiao, Caltrans (K. McClendon)	P	P	P		P	P	P	P		P	P
S. Campi, CSUMB	P	P			-	P	P	E		P	P
T. Bell, MBARD	-	-	-		-	P	P	P		P	-
Vince Dang, MST (M. Deal M. Overmeyer)	P(A)	P	P		P	P	P	P			P(A)

STAFF	APR 22	MAY 22	JUN 22	JUL 22	AUG 22	SEP 22	OCT 22	NOV 22	DEC 22	JAN 23	FEB 23
T. Muck, Executive Director	P	P	P		E	P	P	P		P	P
C. Watson, Director of Planning		P	P		E	P	P	P		-	P
M. Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery	P	P			P	P	P	P		P	P
D. Bilse, Principal Engineer	P	P	P		P	P	P	P		P	P
M. Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P		P	P	P	P		P	P
J. Strause, Transportation Planner	P	P	-		E	-	-	P		-	P
T. Wright, Public Outreach Coordinator			-		P	P	-	-		P	-
L. Williamson, Senior Engineer	P	P	P		E	P	P	P		P	P
A. Hernandez, Asst. Transportation Planner		P	-		P	-	-	P		-	-
A. Guther, Asst. Transportation Planner			-		P	P	P	P		P	P

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Chair Marissa Garcia, Monterey County, called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. Introductions were made and a quorum was established.

**1.1 ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA**

None

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

---

**3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**M / S / C: McMinn /Hurtado/unanimous**

3.1 **APPROVED** the Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes for January 4, 2023.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

---

**4. CLIMATE ADAPTATION GRANTS**

Alissa Guther, Assistant Transportation Planner reported that California has received funding from the federal government for several grant funding programs for which applications are due in March 2023. She noted that the programs will provide funding for projects that adapt transportation infrastructure to the present and future risks of climate change.

Mathew Deal, Monterey-Salinas Transit recommended that grants should consider impacts of public transit after disasters and noted that electric buses needed diesel generators during recent emergencies. Mr. Deal noted that Monterey-Salinas Transit would like to be involved in the discussion. Ms. Guther replied that we will coordinate a meeting with AMBAG and invite Monterey-Salinas Transit.

**5. 2023 PROGRAMMING GUIDELINES & COMPETITIVE GRANTS**

Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner, reported that the Regional Surface Transportation Program Block Grant Program is a federal program that provides states and local jurisdictions with funding for highway improvements, street rehabilitation and transportation enhancements. She noted that the Transportation Agency receives an annual apportionment of Regional Surface Transportation Program funding. In conclusion, Ms. Strause noted that the Transportation Agency distributes Regional Surface Transportation Program funding in both fair-share and competitive programs. She noted that Monterey County and the cities receive fair-share Regional Surface Transportation Program funds based on a formula of 50% population and 50% centerline miles.

Sloan Campi asked if the Universities could apply for grants. Ms. Strause replied that Universities are typically not eligible to get direct funding but recommended considering a partnership with a local municipality or the County.

Marissa Garcia noted that some projects don't directly impact bicycle level of stress but are still beneficial to the pedestrian environment. She asked for an equivalent analysis pedestrian tool. Ms. Strause replied that 5 points of the scoring reflects the bike stress criteria, and a project won't get disqualified if it doesn't directly impact the bicycle level of stress score. Ms. Strause indicated she will research this topic to see if there is a way to incorporate a similar analysis for pedestrian stress level analysis on future applications.

**6. 2023 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer reported that several Assembly Bills and Senate Bills were enacted this year that change existing laws, revise the vehicle code or enable new local ordinances that potentially affect mobility. He noted that some of the most important changes resulted from AB 1909, or the OmniBike Bill, that changes several sections of the vehicle code to clarify that the rules for automobiles should not always apply to bikes.

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Doug Bipse, Principal Engineer announced the next March 2, 2023, a committee meeting is scheduled for in-person meeting. Marissa Garcia suggested Transportation staff send reminder email a week before the meeting to the committee.

Robert Harary announced that City of Carmel staff changes.

Joanna Xiao announced that the 2023-24 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Application Call for Applications has been opened. She noted that applications are due on Thursday, March 9, 2023 and grant announcements are anticipated in summer 2023.

Patrick Dobbins announced the next APWA award ceremony is scheduled for the evening of February 8, 2023.

**8. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m.