

**FINAL 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: Ed Smith (Chair),  
 Mary Adams (1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair), Michael LeBarre (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair),  
 Luis Alejo (Past Chair),  
 Chris Lopez (County representative), Kimbley Craig (City representative)*

**Wednesday, October 6, 2021**

\*\*\* 8:30 a.m. \*\*\*

REMOTE VIDEO/PHONE CONFERENCE ONLY

<b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</b>	<b>NOV 20</b>	<b>JAN 21</b>	<b>FEB 21</b>	<b>MAR 21</b>	<b>APR 21</b>	<b>MAY 21</b>	<b>JUN 21</b>	<b>AUG 21</b>	<b>SEP 21</b>	<b>OCT 21</b>
Ed Smith, <b>Chair</b> Monterey (D. Albert, A. Renny)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Mary Adams, <b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</b> Supr. Dist. 5 (S. Hardgrave, C. Courtney)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Michael LeBarre, <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair</b> King City (C. DeLeon)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Luis Alejo, <b>Past Chair</b> Supr. Dist. 1 (L. Gonzales/ <del>J. Gomez</del> )	P (VC)	A (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)
Chris Lopez, <b>County Representative</b> Supr. Dist. 2 (P. Barba)	P (VC)	A (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	E	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Kimbley Craig, <b>City Representative</b> (C. Cromeenes)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)

*TC: via teleconference; VC: via video conference*

P = Present

A = Absent

P(A) = alternate present

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

Staff present: Goel, Montiel, Muck, Rodriguez, Watson, and Zeller.

Others present: Agency Counsel Katherine Hansen, Paul Schlesinger and Perrin Badini of Alcalde & Fay, and Gus Khouri of Khouri Consulting.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

No public comment.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA:**

M/S/C

Adams/Craig/unanimous

On a motion by Committee Member Adams seconded by Committee Member Craig, the committee voted 6-0 to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of September 1, 2021.

**4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

On a motion by Committee Member Adams seconded by Committee Member Lopez, the committee voted 6-0 to recommend the Board of Directors approve the draft 2022 legislative program for distribution to committees. The Committee Received an update on state and federal legislative.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reported on the draft Legislative program, noting that there are no major edits from the 2021 program. The focus is on preserving transportation funding.

Gus Khouri, Agency State Legislative Consultant, highlighted some of the state legislative bills, noting there is not much change to the bill list since the Board report on August 25, but a final list will be prepared for the October Board report, showing which bills the Governor vetoes or signs by his deadline of October 10.

Paul Schlesinger, Agency Federal Legislative Consultant, reported on the federal legislative activities, noting that a Continuing Resolution was passed through December 3 for all 12 appropriations bills that were not enacted by the September 30 deadline. Mr. Schlesinger reported that Senator Padilla had submitted TAMC's request for \$2 million for the US 101 South of Salinas project in the transportation appropriations bill.

5. **2022 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

The Committee received an update and provided feedback on the funding proposal for the 2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, presented on the funding proposal for the 2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program. He reported that to ensure efficient coordination among various fund sources, the 2021 Integrated Funding Plan identifies projects that are strong candidates for specific Senate Bill 1 grants, State Transportation Improvement Program funds, Measure X, and other matching funds, and can be brought to construction over the next five years. As a subset of that plan, the Regional Transportation Improvement Program specifies the region's proposed use of certain state funds to the California Transportation Commission.

Mr. Zeller noted that the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) is a program of highway, local road, transit, and active transportation projects that a region plans to fund with State and Federal revenue programmed by the California Transportation Commission in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The RTIP is developed biennially by the regions and is due to the Commission by December 15 of every odd numbered year. Mr. Zeller presented that staff's recommendation for Monterey County's share of \$8.9 million is to add funds for the Scenic State Route 68 and US 101 South of Salinas projects, and to carry over the existing funding that is programmed for the State Route 156 / Castroville Boulevard Interchange Project and Packages 2 and 3 of the Salinas Rail Extension project.

Committee Member Adams asked how many roundabouts were included in the plan for Highway 68 and expressed concern with travel disruptions during the Highway 156 construction phase. Director Muck noted that the current plan is for nine roundabouts on Highway 68 and Agency staff are working with Caltrans on evaluating the intersections and design. He also noted that constructability of Highway 156 is being considered and that the project can be constructed with minimal impacts to the traveling public.

## **6. TAMC BOARD DRAFT AGENDA**

Executive Director Todd Muck reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of October 27, 2021. He expressed the need to have a “Special TAMC Board Meeting” over Zoom, on October 20th 8:30 a.m. to approve the AB 361 findings every 30 days that would apply to the October 27<sup>th</sup> Board meeting and all of TAMC’s committees.

After Executive Committee discussion, direction was provided to staff to place the following items for consideration on the regular agenda:

- Employee of the Quarter
- Legislative update and draft 2022 Program
- Monterey Salinas Transit Comprehensive Operations Analysis
- 2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program

Committee Member Craig asked for more information on consent item 3.1.6 adding two Deputy Executive Directors and change in salary schedule for the previous position. She asked for more numbers on the positions, the cost savings, responsibilities, and assignments.

## **7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Committee Member LeBarre announced that he attended a meeting with Fort Hunter Liggett and stated they should attend the TAMC Board meetings, asking if TAMC should reach out to Fort Hunter Liggett staff on having a representative attend the TAMC Board meetings.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 10:07 a.m.