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 (1st Vice Chair), Michael LeBarre (2nd Vice Chair), Luis Alejo (Past Chair), Chris Lopez (County representative), Kimbley Craig (City representative)

Wednesday, September 1, 2021

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

REMOTE VIDEO/PHONE CONFERENCE ONLY

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

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 8:30 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed. Committee Member LeBarre arrived during item 5.

Staff present: Goel, Hale, Jacobsen, Muck, Rodriguez, Watson, and Zeller.

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

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**:

No public comment.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**:

M/S/C

Lopez/Adams/unanimous

On a motion by Committee Member Lopez seconded by Committee Member Adams, the committee voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of August 4, 2021.

4. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Gus Khouri, Agency State Legislative Consultant, provided a state legislative update, noting there is not much change to the bill list since the Board report on August 25. He reported that the legislature will conclude regular session on September 10. He noted the budget bills authorizing revenue for transportation infrastructure and funding to augment the Active Transportation Program (ATP), Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP), and State and Local Climate Adaption, would not be available unless additional legislation is enacted by October 10 related to the remaining \$4.2 billion Proposition 1A appropriation for high-speed rail.

Paul Schlesinger, Agency Federal Legislative Consultant, reported House Senate is on recess, there is no new development to report since the August 25 Board update. He noted the Senate infrastructure bill eliminated earmarks that had been in the House transportation authorization bill, which includes the potential for the \$2 million earmark for the US 101 South of Salinas project. The next step is reconciliation between the Senate and the House versions of the bill.

Director Hale noted the Governor's Executive Order enabling remote meetings under the Brown Act is set to end September 30, and asked Mr. Khouri if there will be an extension for virtual or hybrid meetings, asking whether a virtual meeting can be construed as a public meeting. He noted that the Governor may announce an extension of the executive order until the end of the year, but that is not likely to happen until after the September 14 special election. He concurred with Director Hale that pending legislation does not modernize the Brown Act for special districts such as TAMC.

5. FORT ORD REGIONAL TRAIL AND GREENWAY - SR 218 CANYON DEL REY SEGMENT UPDATE

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, presented on the Canyon Del Rey segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project. He reported that the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) project has reached several milestones including certification of the final environmental document, approval of a Master Agreement among the underlying jurisdictions, and completion of the preliminary engineering design. He noted that the trail is designed to connect people with open space, employment and businesses, and schools.

Mr. Zeller noted that the Segment 1 final design tasks will be funded out of \$600,000 in state Senate Bill 1 Local Partnership Program funds and \$1.376 million in local Measure X funds. The right-of-way tasks will be paid from \$1.198 million in state Active Transportation grant funds. Construction will be funded through a future allocation of \$9.1 million in state Active Transportation grant funds. Other segments will proceed to final design and construction as matching funds for Measure X (which sets aside a total of \$20 million for the entire trail) are obtained.

To hear feedback and concerns directly from Del Rey Oaks residents and the community, the project team has held numerous outreach activities, including in-person site visits, virtual public workshops, and focus groups. The team has received over 300 comments from our online interactive project map. Amongst the comments received have been questions regarding the safety of the trail and the tunnel. The project team has been responsive to these comments and has made refinements to the design. Some of these refinements have resulted in the proposed alignment falling outside of the boundary of the certified environmental impact report, and Agency staff will be requesting Board approval of an Addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Report to cover these changes. He also noted that agency staff will be requesting Board approval to increase outreach efforts to help ensure that correct information about the project is being shared with the community.

In response to a question from Committee member Adams, Mr. Zeller noted that safety features will be included in the tunnel - these can include lights, cameras, art and murals. Mr. Muck added that the walking tunnel under Carmel Valley Road is an excellent example of a pedestrian undercrossing that has been very secure and has vastly improved crossing safety for nearby residents.

6. FORT ORD BUILDING DEMOLITION - JOINT PROCUREMENT WITH MST

The Committee received an update on the Fort Ord Building Demolition Joint Procurement Agreement with Monterey-Salinas Transit.

Deputy Executive Director Muck reported that the TAMC-owned property within the former Fort Ord is located between 1st Avenue and Highway 1, and 5th and 8th streets in Marina, California. On the property are seven buildings, including a former cold storage building, a former meat cutting building, four warehouses, and a former storehouse building.

To reduce costs by securing a single demolition contract, TAMC approved a joint procurement agreement with MST, whereby MST is the lead agency for the purposes of the procurement to select a contractor, with consultation from TAMC staff, to conduct the demolition of both TAMC and MST's buildings within the available budget.

MST has received bids that fall under the \$1.3 million TAMC received from the former Fort Ord Reuse Authority for the demolition of all buildings. Action to approve the demolition contract will be brought to the MST and TAMC Boards in September or October. The demolition will begin in late fall or early spring.

7. TAMC BOARD DRAFT AGENDA

Deputy Executive Director Todd Muck reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of September 22, 2021.

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

- Measure X Revenue Forecasts and status of Regional Projects
- Freeway Service Patrol Annual Report

8. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

Director Debbie Hale announced and invited the Committee members to her retirement going away party on September 23, 2021, at 3:00 pm at Portobello's in Salinas. Please RSVP to Elouise Rodriguez at elouise@tamcmonterey.org.

9. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:35 a.m.