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Legislation Committee
March 12, 2010
Minutes

Chair Rubin called the meeting to order at 10:51 a.m. Committee members in attendance: Azumbrado, Chu, Giacomini, Haggerty, Lempert, Mackenzie, Rein Worth, and Yeager. Also in attendance: Commissioners Bates and Daly.

Minutes of the Committee's February 12, 2010 meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Commissioner Rein Worth and a second by Commissioner Chu.

Policy Advisory Council Appointments — MTC Resolution No. 3931

Pam Grove of MTC staff summarized the recruitment and appointment process for the new Policy Advisory Council. Ms. Grove asked the Committee to refer MTC Resolution No. 3931, Revised, to the Commission for approval.

Commissioner Rubin commended the work of staff. Commissioner Giacomini thanked staff for their work. She noted that she attended the final meetings of the three advisory committees, and said that negative emotions were strongest among the members of the Advisory Council. She added that it is important for Commissioners to take responsibility for interaction with the new Policy Advisory Council, and asked Committee members to engage the new committee. Commissioner Rein Worth said she is hopeful the new committee structure will provide the Commission the input it seeks, and noted that staff's outreach was phenomenal.

Chair Rubin recognized Rich Hedges, who stated the Advisory Council expressed sadness because it was their last meeting.

Commissioner Rein Worth moved to approve MTC Resolution No. 3931, Revised, and Commissioner Yeager seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously referred to the Commission.

Legislative History

The report by Randy Rentschler of MTC staff was received by the Committee.

FY 2010-11 State Budget Update

Mr. Rentschler's report, including a detailed explanation of the Legislature's gasoline and diesel sales tax/excise tax swap, was received by the committee.

MTC Sponsored Legislation

The report by Mr. Rentschler was received by the Committee. Commissioner Giacomini

asked what amendments would be made by the California Building Industry Association to AB 2516 (Hill), the townhome accessibility improvement bill. Mr. Rentschler said it is unknown at this time. However, he noted that their objections need to be taken seriously to avoid the bill from becoming a study bill.

Tom Bulger's Report

The report from MTC's advocate in Washington, D.C. was received by the committee. Mr. Rentschler noted that Ann Flemer, MTC's Deputy Director for Policy, was appointed by U.S. Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood to serve on the Intelligent Transportation Systems Program Advisory Committee.

Other Business/Public Comment/Adjourn

Commissioner Mackenzie asked to be briefed about the annual trip to Washington D.C. upon staff's return. The next Committee meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2010. The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.