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COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, November 16, 2011

Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter, Lawrence D. Dahms Auditorium
101 Eighth Street
Oakland, CA 94607

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Chair Tissier called the meeting to order at 1:44 p.m. In addition to Chair Tissier the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Azumbrado, Bates, Campos, Cortese, Dodd, Giacopini, Glover, Green, Haggerty, Halsted, Kinsey, Mullin, Sartipi, Sperling, and Wiener.

CHAIR'S REPORT

- Commission Chair Tissier reminded Commissioners of changes to the Commission meeting in December date and time due to the holidays, and asked Commissioners to mark their calendars accordingly. Commissioner Bates indicated that the time of the Commission meeting had been initially scheduled for the afternoon based on not causing a conflict to the BAAQMD meeting in the morning, however, that the BAAQMD had canceled their meeting, therefore, the Commission could now meet in the regular morning schedule. The Commission unanimously accepted changing the Commission meeting time to the morning on December 21st.

POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT

- Dolly Sandoval presented the Policy Advisory Council Report asking the Commission to take note regarding the Project Performance Assessment results which have been assessed and graded over a large number of criteria including reducing vehicle miles traveled and reducing commute time, etc. She noted that the Policy Advisory Council (Council) believes that projects such as Lifeline, Bike Network Programs, TLC projects and projects affecting low income and minority communities as well as youth and senior populations will not score well on the criteria that all other projects are being scored against. The PAC believes these projects are assets and requested that funding be considered for these projects whether they score highly or not. She also expressed the Council's concern regarding the Call Box Evaluation plan to reduce call boxes by 50% and asked that a number of phone carriers be tested prior to the reduction to be assured that the carrier chosen will be able to provide adequate phone cell service coverage, especially in urban areas, so that commuters will be able to utilize their cell phones in an emergency. She further advised that she and other Committee members were not aware that you can call 511 to receive emergency service and asked that an extensive advertising campaign be initiated to notify the public of this prior to the removal of the boxes.

Ms. Sandoval concluded by advising that the process of scheduling appointments to evaluate the Council in its new capacity and its past work record has begun and looks forward to presenting the completed evaluation to the Commission.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Steve Heminger presented the Executive Director's report to the Commission. Copies of the report are available from the Executive Office or www.mtc.ca.gov.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon the motion by Commissioner Haggerty and seconded by Commissioner Glover the Commission unanimously approved the following items on the Consent Calendar:

- Commission Meeting Minutes – October 26, 2011.

Operations Committee

- Resolution No. 4040 – Privacy Policies for Clipper and 511.

Planning Committee

- Resolution No. 3424, Revised – Consistency Findings for 2011 Congestion Management Programs.

Programming and Allocations Committee

- Resolution Nos. 3640, Revised, 3655, Revised and 3914, Revised – Proposed rescission of approximately \$1 million and allocation of approximately \$3 million in RM2 capital funds and allocation of \$6.5 million in AB 1171 capital funds.
- Resolution No. 3881, Revised – Cycle 2 Lifeline Programming Revisions.
- Resolution No. 3975, Revised – 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 2011-16.
- Resolution No. 4007, Revised – FY 2011-12 State Transit Assistance (STA) Regional Discretionary Program.
- Resolution No. 4036 – Revisions to the FTA Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula Program Funding Objectives and Criteria.

Standing Committee Minutes

Draft Committee minutes of the following standing committees were presented for information only; they were provided as background information for items that were being taken up by the full Commission.

- Legislation Committee Meeting Draft Minutes – November 4, 2011.
- Operations Committee Meeting Draft Minutes – November 4, 2011.
- Planning Committee Meeting Draft Minutes – November 4, 2011.
- Programming and Allocations Meeting Draft Minutes – November 9, 2011.

Draft MTC Policy Advisory Council Minutes

Draft Policy Advisory Council minutes were presented for Commission information only.

- Minutes of the Policy Advisory Council Meeting – November 9, 2011.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration Committee – Cortese

- Resolution No. 4010, Revised – Overall Work Program (OWP) which adds unspent federal planning funds from FHWA, FTA 5303, FTA 5304, and Proposition 84 funds. This Resolution is also being revised to add final allocation for FHWA and FTA 5303 planning funds.

Upon the motion made by Commissioner Cortese and seconded by Commissioner Haggerty the Commission unanimously approved Resolution No. 4010, Revised.

Programming and Allocations Committee – Kinsey

- Resolution No. 3714, Revised 3854, Revised, and 3916, Revised – Revisions to Federal Transit Administration Formula Programs for FY 2011-12 to reflect revised estimates of federal appropriations and to reprogram FTA funds previously programmed to Benicia and Vallejo to the consolidated Solano County Transit agency.

Upon the motion by Commissioner Kinsey and seconded by Commissioner Spring the Commission unanimously approved Resolution Nos. 3714, Revised 3854, Revised, and 3916, Revised.

- Resolution No. 4041 – New Freedom Cycle 4 Program of Projects. The recommended program, which is focused on capital and operating projects that reduce barriers for individuals with disabilities, includes 20 projects for a total federal funding level of \$3.7 million.

Upon the motion by Commissioner Kinsey and seconded by Commissioner Haggerty the Commission unanimously approved Resolution No. 4041.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Commissioner Kinsey announced to the Commission that in reference to MTC Climate Initiatives Program, he and Commissioner Bates along with Executive Director Steve Heminger are serving on the relatively new EV Strategic Council that has been formed with the goal of establishing national leadership in the Bay Area for the use and production of electric vehicles and the associated industries that would support that. Jason Wolf from Better Place and Commissioner Kinsey will co-chair the Council. He indicated that electric vehicles would reduce emissions by 80 % over standard vehicles. He acknowledged ABAG in particular for completion of a publication titled *Ready, Set, Charge California Guide to EV Ready Community* and referred Commissioners to ABAG's website. He asked staff to produce copies and make them available to the Commissioners.
- Marshall Loring, Member of the MTC Policy Advisory Council shared an experience he had along with his colleague Rich Hedges in attending a meeting on the Dumbarton Rail project. He was encouraged to see the interest in this project and to know that Facebook is moving to the Menlo Park area adjacent to the Dumbarton Rail Corridor. Facebook is very supportive of the Corridor and potential access by their several thousand employees. Mr. Loring indicated that he has a report that he can share with on this subject.
- Jerry Grace inquired about the Golden Gate Bridge 75th Anniversary Celebration in 2012.

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING

There being no further business or public comment, Commission Chair Tissier adjourned the meeting at 2:41 p.m. The next Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 21, 2011 @ 9:30 a.m. in Oakland, California.

Adrienne J. Tissier, Chair