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COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, January 25, 2012

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

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Chair Tissier called the meeting to order at 9:47 a.m. In addition to Chair Tissier the following were present: Vice Chair Rein Worth, Commissioners Bates, Campos, Cortese, Dodd, Glover, Green, Haggerty, Kinsey, Liccardo, Mackenzie, Spering, and Wiener.

CHAIR'S REPORT

- Committee Assignments – Chair Tissier announced changes to the Committee assignments as a result of Commissioner Kinsey stepping down as Chair of the Programming and Allocations Committee. Chair Tissier appointed Commissioner Federal Glover as new Chair to the Programming and Allocations Committee; Commissioner David Campos to serve as new Vice Chair of the Programming and Allocations Committee; and also appointed Commissioner Scott Wiener as member of the Transit Sustainability Project Select Committee to fill the vacancy left by former Commissioner Jon Rubin. A new Committee Assignment sheet was distributed to all Commissioners.

Motion made by Vice Chair Rein Worth and seconded by Commissioner Spering to approve new committee assignments to be effective February 2012. Motion passed unanimously.

- America's Cup Presentation – Chair Tissier announced that the San Francisco Bay will be home to the 2013 America's Cup Finals and Preliminary Sailing Events in 2012 and introduced Michel Martin and Peter Albert from the City of San Francisco who in turn presented an overview and related transportation plans for those events.

Commissioner Rein Worth thanked Mr. Albert and Mr. Martin acknowledging that this event will be great opportunity for San Francisco and the entire bay region. She suggested that San Francisco reach out to all of the east bay cities as there seems to be more capacity at BART and park and ride facilities than is outlined, especially on weekends.

- Chair Tissier suggested that a very important factor in the event's success will be way-finding signage available throughout the city, airport, etc.
- Commissioner Mackenzie suggested that San Francisco warn regular commuters on golden gate transit about changes in bus service resulting from the America's cup transportation plan.
- Robert Rayburn, Member of the public, commented that the event is a great opportunity to display new local technology.

POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT

Randi-Kinman, Vice Chair of Equity and Access sub-Committee for the Policy Advisory Council presented the Council's report to the Commission highlighting several issues related to policy initiatives to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) proposal. The Council wanted to make sure that, as MTC moves forward with the OBAG program, standards are set for how CMAs complete public outreach and create their PDA implementation plans. Ms. Kinman indicated that the Council had questions about definitions, i.e., access to PDAs for the grants; and the definition of open space (e.g. agricultural land protection vs. recreational land protection) She also noted that the current proposal does not encourage interaction between CMAs to coordinate efforts. The current recommendation is that local jurisdictions need to pass a nonbinding resolution in order to receive a grant. The Council feels that a non-binding resolution by local jurisdictions to align RHNA, PDA and zoning policies might not have enough teeth to be effective. The Council wants MTC policies on OBAG to be as effective as possible. Ms. Kinman also reported that Policy Advisory Council members have been attending the Plan Bay Area Workshop throughout the region. Ms. Kinman commended staff on their professionalism displayed at the events and elaborated on her own experience attending one of the workshops.

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.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Kinsey thanked staff involved in the Plan Bay Area Workshops and indicated that commissioners and staff need to work together going forward to create more opportunity for public input in ways that are meaningful to all participants.

Commissioner Mackenzie echoed Commissioner Kinsey's comments and described his own experiences attending the workshops. Commissioner Liccardo offered suggestions on utilizing on-line planning tools for community outreach.

Commissioner Dodd also commended staff for their efforts under difficult circumstances. He asked if staff will respond to all inquiries being addressed during the workshops.

Commissioner Bates reinforced the prior commissioners' comments and asked for staff to start considering ways to incorporate public involvement in non traditional ways.

Commissioner Haggerty asked if a responsibility flow chart was created indicating MTC and ABAG's responsibilities as well as a Question and Answer document. Ms. Ann Flemer, Deputy Executive Director, Policy confirmed that this has happened and has been posted on the MTC website.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- Commission Meeting Minutes – December 21, 2011.
- Resolution No. 4049, Revised – Commission Resolution of Support for State's Proposition 84 Regional Planning Grants Program.

Administration Committee

- Resolution No. 4047, Revised – Adopting MTC's Annex to the 2010 ABAG Local Hazard Mitigation Plan for the SF Bay Area.

Programming and Allocations Committee

- Resolution No. 3975, Revised – 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 2011-19.
- Resolution No. 3881, Revised – Cycle 2 Lifeline Programming Revisions.
- Resolution No. 4048 – FY 2011-12 and FY 2012-13 FTA Nonurbanized Area Formula Section 5311) Program of Projects.

CONSENT CALENDAR (continues)

- Resolution No. 3882, Revised – Proposition 1B – Transit Security: FY 2011-12 Population-based Funds Allocation Requests.
- Resolution No. 3716, Revised – Proposed allocation of approximately \$2.5 million in Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Capital funds for the Benicia Intermodal Facilities project.
- Resolution Nos. 4025, Revised and 4032, Revised – Allocation of \$12.4 million in Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds and \$2.2 million in Regional Measure 2 (RM2) funds to Golden Gate Transit for FY 2011-12 transit operations.
- Resolution No. 4038, Revised – 2012 RTIP Amendment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration Committee

Upon the motion by Commissioner Cortese and seconded by Commissioner Kinsey the Commission unanimously approved the following item:

- Resolution No. 3241, Revised – Reauthorization of MTC Investment Policy. It was indicated that currently, MTC’s Investment Policy requires that mutual funds have an “A” or equivalent rating on mutual funds from two nationally recognized rating agencies. However, in the current financial market, mutual funds do not routinely maintain two national ratings. The Committee recommended that the requirement be changed to a single “A” or better rating from a single nationally recognized rating service.

Programming and Allocation Committee

- Resolution No. 3801, Revised – Amendment to the Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Program for the Dumbarton Rail Project. In accordance with the provisions in California Streets and Highways Code Section 30914(f), this resolution modifies the project scope for RM2 operating project #5, the Dumbarton Rail project, to make bus operations in the Dumbarton Corridor an eligible use of the funding. Public comments received through the close of the comment period (January 23rd) were provided as a handout.

The Commission received public comment from the following:

- Jim Bigelow, Redwood City/San Mateo County and Menlo Park Chambers of Commerce – spoke in favor of Resolution No. 3801, Revised.

Programming and Allocation Committee (Continues)

After receipt of public comment and upon the motion by Commissioner Glover and seconded by Commissioner Green the Commission unanimously approved Resolution No. 3801, Revised.

Upon the motion by Commissioner Glover and seconded by Commissioner Haggerty the Commission unanimously approved the following:

- Resolution No. 3916, Revised – Release of \$10 million in FTA Section 5307 funding to AC Transit to support transit operations. This resolution approves preventive maintenance funding to AC Transit as a result of having met previously established conditions.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING

There being no further business or public comment, Commission Chair Tissier adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m. The next Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 22, 2012 in Oakland, California.

Adrienne J. Tissier, Chair