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COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, March 28, 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 9:44 a.m. In addition to Chair Tissier the following Commissioners were present: Azumbrado, Bates, Campos, Cortese, Dodd, Giacomini, Glover, Green, Haggerty, Halsted, Kinsey, Liccardo, Mackenzie, Mullin, Rein Worth, Spering, and Wiener.

CHAIR'S REPORT

- **Resolution No. 4054** – Resolution of Appreciation for Albert Yee on the occasion of his retirement from MTC.

Motion made by Commissioner Haggerty and seconded by Commissioner Mackenzie to approve Resolution No. 4054 as presented. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Lee expressed his gratitude to the Commission and Staff.

- Chair Tissier reminded Commissioners to submit their Form 700 Annual Statement of Economic Interest Report to the Fair Political Practices Commission as mandated.

POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT

Egon Terplan, Vice Chair, Policy Advisory Council provided a Memorandum to the Commission indicating the Council's support for the latest staff recommendations on the Transit Sustainability Project and the direction of the proposed Plan Bay Area Preferred Draft Land-Use Scenario.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (continues)

- Commission Meeting Minutes – February 22, 2012.

Programming and Allocations Committee

- Resolution Nos. 3712, Revised and 4022, Revised – Scope updates for bridge toll allocations for the SMART Project.
- Resolution No. 3882, Revised – Revisions to SFMTA’s FY 2010-11 and FY 2011-12 Proposition 1B – Transit Security Population-based Funds Allocation Requests for \$1.9 million.
- Resolution No. 3889, Revised – Proposed allocation of \$200,000 in RM2 Capital funds for NCTPA Express Bus North projects.
- Resolution No. 3975, Revised – 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 2011-22.
- Resolution No. 3998, Revised – Programming of \$56,000 in Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating Program funds for Dumbarton Bus Operations start-up costs.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Programming and Allocations Committee - Glover

- (a) Upon the motion by Commissioner Glover and seconded by Commissioner Spering the Commission unanimously approved the following:
 - Resolution No. 3914, Revised – Proposed allocation of \$14.3 million in AB 1171 capital funds and rescission of \$3.8 million in AB 1171 capital funds. The Solano Transportation Authority requested allocation of \$14.3 million in AB 1171 funds for right-of-way acquisition on the I-80/680/12 Interchange Phase I project, and rescission of \$3.8 million in AB 1171 funds for construction of the I-80 Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation project due to award savings.
- (b) Upon the motion by Commissioner Glover and seconded by Commissioner Spering the Commission unanimously approved Resolution Nos. 3925, Revised and 4038, Revised with the condition that the full \$34 million is programmed; but if it is not fully needed to complete the project, MTC will make a claim to the California Transportation Commission for MTC’s proportionate share of any savings to be returned to MTC for further programming.

Programming and Allocations Committee – Glover (continues)

- Resolution Nos. 3925, Revised, and 4038, Revised – Surface Transportation Program/Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (STP/CMAQ) First Cycle Programming Revision and revisions to 2012 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). Approval of these resolutions would advance \$34 million in STP/CMAQ funds for the Doyle Drive/Presidio Parkway project to be repaid by future San Francisco RTIP funds, and revise the 2012 RTIP to lower the programmed amount by an equivalent amount. This action is subject to parallel funding commitments of \$10 million each being made by Caltrans and the San Francisco County Transportation Authority.
- Resolution No. 4056 – Memorandum of Understanding: High Speed Rail Early Investment Strategy for a Blended System on the Peninsula Corridor. Randy Rentschler reported that the California High Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA) is expected to update its business plan to focus on a blended operation in the Caltrain corridor. The CHSRA is in the final stages of publishing a 2012 Revised Business Plan and anticipates considering this plan at its upcoming board meeting. Staff provided an update on efforts to develop a peninsula corridor investment strategy and memorandum of understanding for Commission approval.

The Commission received public comment from the following:

- Brian Moura, City of San Carlos – spoke in support of the concept and early investment.
- Rosanne Foust, CEO San Mateo County Economic Development Association – spoke in support of staff recommendation.
- Alan Nakansky, San Mateo Chamber of Commerce – spoke in support of the MOU and High Speed Rail.
- Rich Hodges, PAC – spoke in support of the MOU.
- Jim Bigelow, Redwood City- San Mateo County Chamber of Commerce – spoke in support of the MOU.
- Larry Patterson, Public Works Director, City of San Mateo – spoke in support of MOU and investment in grade separation.
- Brandt Grotte, Mayor City of San Mateo – spoke in support of electrification and grade separation of 25th Avenue.
- Roland Lebrun – spoke in support of the MOU and HSR.
- Marshall Loring – spoke in support of electrification and the MOU and HSR.
- Mark Leach, IBEW – spoke in support of electrification and early investment and the MOU.

Programming and Allocations Committee – Glover (continues)

- Yoriko Kishimoto, Friends of Caltrain – spoke in support of electrification and modernization; strong support for the MOU.
- Michael Brownrigg – spoke in support of HSR from Burlingame and investment in grade separations.
- Michael Cunningham, Bay Area Council – spoke in support of the MOU and growth.
- Richard Hackmann, City of Palo Alto – spoke in support of the MOU and HSR.
- Andy Chow, Bay Rail Alliance – spoke in support of the MOU and HSR.
- William Nack, San Mateo BTC – spoke in strong support of MOU and electrification.
- Manolo Gonzalez-Estay, TransForm – spoke in support of the MOU.
- Atul Patel, City of Menlo Park – spoke in support of HSR and the MOU.
- Paul Cohen, North California Carpenters – spoke in support of the MOU and Resolution 4056.
- Rich Napier, C/CAG of San Mateo County – spoke in support of the MOU.
- Marc Hershman, Office of California State Assembly member Jerry Hill – spoke in support of the MOU and electrification.
- Gloria Purcell – questioned clarification of amendment to the MOU.
- Mike Scanlon, SAMTRANS – spoke in support of the MOU framework.

(a) Upon the motion by Commissioner Liccardo and seconded by Commissioner Wiener; and after receipt of public comment the Commission unanimously approved Resolution No. 4056 as amended to include: Each agency's contribution, including Proposition 1A Connectivity funds as outlined in Note 2, is contingent upon the \$60 million each from other JPB partners.

Legislation Committee – Haggerty

Upon the motion by Commissioner Haggerty and seconded by Commissioner Liccardo the Commission unanimously approved a support position on the following pending legislation:

- S.B. 1339 (Yee) Regional Commuter Benefit Ordinance would authorize a regional commuter benefit ordinance to be jointly adopted by a metropolitan planning organization and the air quality management district applicable to employers of 50 or more employees for their employees working at least 20 hours per week.

Upon the motion by Commissioner Haggerty and seconded by Commissioner Liccardo; with a No vote by Commissioner Green, the Commission approved an oppose position on the following pending legislation:

Legislation Committee – Haggerty (continues)

- S.B. 1545 (DeSaulnier) Limitation on use of public funds for renovation of 390 Main Street. This bill would prohibit public money from being used on the improvement of the office building at 390 Main Street, San Francisco for the regional agency headquarters facility until after the State Auditor has completed a specified audit relating to the purchase of this property by the Bay Area Headquarters Authority (BAHA), a joint exercise of powers agency created by MTC and BATA.

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

- Regional endorsement of Bay Area projects for the U.S. Department of Transportation TIGER IV grant program and additional Federal Transit Administration discretionary funding programs.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING

There being no further business or public comment, Commission Chair Tissier adjourned the meeting at 11:52 a.m. The next Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 25, 2012 in Oakland, California.

Adrienne J. Tissier, Chair