

Report of the TA Citizens Advisory Committee

Meeting of January 4, 2022

Committee Action

- Approved the Minutes of the CAC Meeting of November 30, 2021

Committee Motions Regarding TA Board Items for January 6, 2022

- Approved the Adoption of Resolution Making Findings that the Proclaimed State of Emergency for COVID-19 Continues to Impact the Board's and Committees' Ability to Meet Safely in Person
- Accepted the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Period Ending November 30, 2021
- Approved the Amendment of the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget to Increase Total Expenditures from \$148,893,304 to \$162,834,813
- Approved the Adoption of Alternative Congestion Relief and Transportation Demand Management Plan; Programming and Allocation of Funds for TDM Monitoring and Equity Programs
- Authorized the Filing of a Letter of No Prejudice Request for Regional Measure 3 Funding in the Amount of \$2.025 Million for the State Route 92/US 101 Direct Connector and Area Improvements Projects
- Approved the Adoption of the 2022 Legislative Program

Discussion Highlights

Amendment of the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget to Increase Total Expenditures from \$148,893,304 to \$162,834,8

Derek Hansel, Chief Financial Officer, presented the staff report.

Sandra Lang asked if the true-up was a requirement. Mr. Hansel said it allows the TA to recognize the actual revenue and the availability of funding for the various programs .

Vice Chair John Fox asked if the way the TA applies the revenues has been already decided, and Mr. Hansel said that this was the case, guided by the proportional distribution in the expenditure plans.

Peter Ohtaki asked if the motion could include the projected increase in tax revenues. Mr. Hansel said it was included in the staff report and in the first clause of the resolution.

Chair Barbara Arietta said she thought it could be presented more clearly for the public and suggested saying increasing total expenditure "capacity." Mr. Hansel clarified that when the financial expenditure is allocated to the various buckets, it is already deemed expended.

State and Federal Legislative Update

Amy Linehan, Public Affairs Specialist, provided a summary of federal and state legislation. She said the Senate returned to Washington; the House will start session next week. She said they were awaiting President Biden's first State of the Union Address in February or March. She said a priority item is funding the federal government and that current funding expires February 18. She said the Build Back Better Act is currently stalled.

Ms. Linehan said on the state side that February 18 is the introduction deadline for new bills. She said that the Governor will release his new Fiscal Year 2023 budget next week and a \$30 billion surplus is anticipated, which includes transportation funding.

Report of the Chair

Rich Hedges, Karen Kuklin, and Ken Chin volunteered to be on the Nominating Committee for 2022 Chair and Vice Chair.

Report from Staff

Joe Hurley, TA Director, gave an update on the progress of the Express Lanes project. He announced the upcoming TA-sponsored Complete Streets webinar on January 25 and said that the TA would offer complete streets technical training following the webinar. In response to a question from Jeff Londer, he said for the project north of I-380 that the release of the draft EIR (environmental impact report) was scheduled for early 2023. In response to a question from Sandra Lang about the opening of the South San Francisco Caltrain station, he said that there had been a soft opening of the station and the center platform was open. He said the east-west tunnel was anticipated to be open by the time of the ribbon cutting scheduled for January 13 at 10:00 am.