

Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB) Summary

Meeting of September 3, 2020

JPB Board of Directors Approved and Received the Following Items:

- Held a Closed Session: Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4): One potential case. There were no reportable actions.
- Held an informational Public Hearing on the Potential Closure of Atherton Station
- Public Meeting Minutes of August 6, 2020
- Key Caltrain Performance Statistics – July 2020
- Capital Projects Quarterly Report – 4th Quarter Fiscal Year 2020
- Appointment/Reappointment of the Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) Representatives
- Caltrain's Project Submission to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for Plan Bay Area 2050
- Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Period Ended July 31, 2020
- Awarded Contract for Maintenance and Support of I-ETMS Positive Train Control System
- Contract for Electronic Bike Lockers for Caltrain
- State and Federal Legislative Update
- Resolution to Enter into a Funding Agreement with the Federal Railroad Administration for the Caltrain Right-of-Way Trespassing Project
- Resolution Endorsing the Riding Together: Bay Area Healthy Transit Plan

Monthly Reports were provided on the following items:

- Report of the Citizens Advisory Committee
- Report of the Chair – Chair Pine noted that the Governance Process ad hoc committee, comprised of Directors Bruins, Collins, and Zmuda, are working on helping organize the future process for the Board.
- Local Policy Maker Group (LPMG) – Director Bruins provided a detailed update.
- Report of the Executive Director
- Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (PCEP) Monthly Progress Report
- Monthly Report on Positive Train Control (PTC) Project
- Approved a Proclamation Declaring September Railroad Safety and Suicide Prevention Month

Meeting Highlights:

Adoption of Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget, Amendment of the Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Budget and Suspension of Previously-Approved Caltrain Fare Increases

- Board Members had a robust discussion the issue of an unbalanced or balanced the budget that does or does not include CARES Act funding.
- Board Members confirmed with Legal Counsel that there is no law against approving an unbalanced budget and there was informal consensus that this needs to be addressed soon.
- Board Members requested CARES Act funding be included in revenues.
- Board Members requested prioritization of capital projects.
- The Board amended the resolution: directed staff to bring back the second quarter budget, with options for a balanced budget, to the Finance Committee and then the full Board in October; suspended fare increases; and, directed staff to provide a report back on by local or state laws regarding unbalanced budgets.

Resolution Equity, Connectivity, Recovery & Growth Framework

- Board members expressed appreciation for the level of outreach from the communications team.
- Board members requested a full options report when it is available as well as a monthly Board report with a framework that plans to include the timeline and engagement tools.