

Report of the TA Citizens Advisory Committee

Meeting of January 3, 2023

Committee Actions

- Reappointed Barbara Arietta as Chair and John Fox as Vice Chair for 2023
- Approved the Minutes of the CAC Meeting of November 29, 2022

Committee Motions Regarding TA Board Items for January 5, 2023

- Approved the Consent Calendar including:
 - 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, and Authorizing Remote Teleconference Board and Committee Meetings to Continue
 - Acceptance of the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Period Ending November 30, 2022
 - Authorized the Reassignment of TA Measure Fund Source for Projects Already Awarded Highway, Grade Separation, and Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Category Funds
- Adopted the 2023 Legislative Program
- Approved the Amendment of the Strategic Plan 2020-2024 Measure A Local Shuttle Program Match Requirements and Evaluation Criteria to Reflect Recommendations from the Peninsula Shuttle Study
- Approved the Amendment of the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget to Increase Total Expenditures from \$166,776,919 to \$184,642,920

Discussion Highlights

State and Federal Legislative Update

Julian Viksman, Legal Counsel, outlined upcoming changes affecting the Brown Act and its implications on holding meetings by teleconference. Peter Ohtaki said he was concerned with the Just Cause rule not including occupations other than legislative body business for travel, and asked if they could support the option expressed in the letter from the City of San Carlos to legislators. Mr. Viksman said there several avenues for getting involved and Amy Linehan, Government and Community Affairs Officer, noted that the San Carlos letter was just an example of how the TA CAC could suggest adjustments to the State Legislature.

Amend the Strategic Plan 2020-2024 Measure A Local Shuttle Program Match Requirements and Evaluation Criteria to Reflect Recommendations from the Peninsula Shuttle Study

Patrick Gilster, Manager, Planning and Fund Management, provided the presentation. Sandra Lang asked what "free and open to the public" means in terms of shuttles. Mr. Gilster said community members did not need to pay of fee or obtain a shuttle pass to ride the shuttles.

Mike Swire asked how the TA was doing regarding long-term assessment of the best use of the shuttles versus options providing other multimodal strategies such as bike facilities or bike share subsidies. Mr. Gilster indicated that the TA looks to applicants to determine the best options and that not all people are capable of using active modes such as walking and biking. Vice Chair John Fox acknowledged the needs of different users and said multiple transportation options will best serve different user needs.

US 101 Express Lanes: Quarterly Update on Variable Rate Bond and Phase 1 Operations

Connie Mobley-Ritter, Director, Treasury, provided the initial presentation on TA bonds and Lacy Vong, HNTB, provided the presentation on the Express Lanes update. Vice Chair Fox said he would like to see the monthly versus the daily revenue. Ms. Vong said over the last three months, the monthly revenue has been \$550,000 to \$650,000. Peter Ohtaki asked about cumulative numbers versus toll operations and maintenance. Ms. Vong said the numbers are from the beginning of the fiscal year. Mr. Swire asked if the opening of the toll lanes was impacting public transit use. Ms. Vong said one of the main objectives of the lanes was to encourage carpooling and express bus use. She said user surveys could potentially reveal reasons for usage. Vice Chair Fox asked what fraction of potential revenue are they recovering. Ms. Vong said they currently have a study on leakage for the southern segment. She said the recovery was currently at 27 percent, which includes collection of tolls plus penalties for toll violations.

Report of the Chair

Chair Barbara Arietta provided a report on the quality of pavement on the County's streets and roads.

Report From Staff

Peter Skinner, Executive Officer, Transportation Authority, said the Executive Director's report was in the packet.

Member Comments/Requests

Chair Arietta requested that the Executive Director's report be included in the TA CAC agenda packet as well as in the TA Board packet going forward.