

Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB) Summary Meeting of February 2, 2023

The Board met in Closed Sessions on the following: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to § 54956.9(b). Two potential cases. There were no reportable actions.

JPB Board of Directors Received and Approved the Following Items:

- Two newly appointed Board Members sworn in: Pat Burt Representing Valley Transportation Authority and Rico E. Medina Representing San Mateo County Transit District
- Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2023
- Renew Findings to Authorize Holding Meetings via Teleconference through February 28, 2023, Pursuant to Assembly Bill (AB) 361
- Report of the Interim Chief Financial Officer
- Accept Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Period Ending December 31, 2022
- Authorize the Executive Director to Enter into an Agreement to Underground a Interconnect Facility to Traction Power Station 1 in South San Francisco
- State and Federal Legislative Update
- Caltrain Ridership Growth Task Force Update
- Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)/Regional Update
- Declare Certain Real Property Located at Redwood City Caltrain Station Exempt Surplus Land Pursuant to the Surplus Land Act

- Report of the Executive Director - Michelle Bouchard, Executive Director, provided updates which included the following:
 - Receipt of \$367 Million in State Funding to Finish Electrification project and she expressed appreciation to all member agencies, staff, private and public supporters and elected officials
 - Regional Measure 3 (RM3) was recently upheld in court, and funds will start to flow from the funding measure
 - Planned weekend shutdown in various areas
 - In light of the recent storms, plans for clean up and working with cities along the corridor to prevent trees falling on the tracks
 - Martin Luther King Jr. celebration train with 500 people attending

- African American History Month Resolution - Tasha Bartholomew, Communications Manager, provided the resolution. She cited a 2020 survey that showed African Americans make up 8 percent of Caltrain's ridership, and of those surveyed, 52 percent of African American riders take Caltrain four or more days a week

- Authorized Award of Contract to and Authorize Execution of Agreement with Compass in Connection with Bus Bridge Services for the Caltrain Peninsula Corridor Electrification

Project (PCEP) 2023 Bus Bridge Services - Pranaya Shrestha, CalMod Chief Officer, spoke about the bus bridge contract and the need for Caltrain to implement 31 weekend area shutdowns in 2023 for electrified service.

- Amended Balanced Budget and Financial Reserve Policy to Allow for Biennial Budgets - Ladi Millard Olmeda, Director of Budgets Administration, spoke about adopting a biennial budget effective Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Advantages of the biennial budgets included syncing budgets cycle with two out of three member agencies, planning for funding commitments and having a two- year look ahead regarding member agency contributions. In response to Board questions and request, staff will check with the third partner agency to see if they would also consider having the same budget cycle as the other two partners.
- Authorized Agreement with SamTrans to Establish Caltrain Chief Safety Officer Position - James Harrison, Legal Counsel, spoke about Caltrain's need for a dedicated rail safety officer focused exclusively on the railroad's safety needs and for this position to report directly to the Caltrain Executive Director
- San Francisco Downtown Extension (DTX) Draft Caltrain Principles for Negotiations - Dahlia Chazan, Deputy Chief Caltrain Planning, spoke about the DTX partnership, FTA New Starts process, upcoming DTX milestones, Master Cooperative Agreement (MCA), and received feedback on draft negotiating principles to inform Caltrain's approach to the MCA
- Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (PCEP): Monthly Progress Report and Update on 2023 Construction and Service Impact Plan – Pranaya Shrestha, CalMod Chief Officer, provided the following information:
 - Schedule, budget, construction
 - Safety and security with no reportable injuries and top risk being the overhead catenary system installation delay due to low contractor productivity
 - Project resiliency
- Casey Fromson, Chief Communications Officer, provided updates on:
 - Electrification Project fully funded (\$43 million received federally)
 - Substantial groups involved (elected officials, environmental groups, transit advocates, business, labor, educational groups, health advocates)
 - 31 weekend shutdowns (starting with San Francisco to Millbrae)
 - San Francisco to Millbrae weekend shutdowns February 11-12 and 25-26
 - Substantial customer outreach plan (website, social media, email, announcements, station ambassadors, eventer centers)

Monthly Reports were provided on the following items:

- Report of the Citizens Advisory Committee – Brian Shaw, CAC Chair, provided an update on CAC discussions, which included the following:
 - Bike racks for bus bridge service
 - Requested Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) coordination between BART and Caltrain for transfer

- Caltrain on-time performance
- Measure RR oversight
- Suicide prevention update

- Report of the Chair –
 - Chair Gee announced two new committees replacing the Work-Program-Legislative-Planning (WPLP) committee and Redwood City hosting a Lunar New Year celebration this Saturday

- Report of the Local Policy Maker Group (LPMG)
 - Director Gee announced the new Chair Pat Burt and Vice Chair Menlo Park Mayor Jen Wolosin

- Report of the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA)
 - Director Gee reported National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)/California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) approved documents for request to enter into the engineering phase