Report of the TA Citizens Advisory Committee

Meeting of November 2, 2021

Committee Action

• Approved the Minutes of the CAC Meeting of October 5, 2021

Committee Motions Regarding TA Board Items for November 4, 2021

- 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 Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of October 7, 2021
- Accepted the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Period Ending September 30, 2021
- Approved the Authorization of the Filing of an Application for \$12,858,000 of Regional Transportation Improvement Program Funds for the Design Phase of the SR 92/US 101 Direct Connector Project
- Accepted the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021
- Accepted the Quarterly Investment Report and Fixed Income Market Review and Outlook

Discussion Highlights

Consent Calendar

The CAC members unanimously requested that future Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports (ACFRs) and Quarterly Investment Reports be on the regular part of the agenda and not under the Consent Calendar, explaining that the reports required a presentation and opportunity for questions and discussion. Joe Hurley, TA Director, said he would take the request into consideration.

Update on SMCTD Website Replacement Project

Jeremy Lipps, Digital Communications Manager, provided the presentation. Peter Ohtaki asked if the shuttle schedules could be integrated into the SamTrans and Caltrain sites. Mr. Lipps said that there are new directives coming with GTFS (General Transit Feed Specification) code for the shuttle services so that the schedules show up in transit-related apps such as Google Maps. Rich Hedges asked if the new site would connect with apps like NextBus that shows when the next bus will arrive. Mr. Lipps said this is not happening now, but the site would be able to handle the integration in the future.

San Mateo US 101 Express Lanes Quarterly Project Update

Leo Scott, Co-Project Manager, Gray-Bowen-Scott, provided the presentation. Mr. Hedges asked if there would be warning tickets for users after opening. Mr. Scott said that the CHP (California Highway Patrol) had the jurisdiction to issue warnings or tickets as they see fit. Chair Barbara Arietta asked how the CHP determines how many occupants are in the cars. Mr. Scott said the only reliable method at this time is visual observation. He said that users of the express lanes must first set their switchable transponders in the correct position: 1, 2, or 3.

2021 Highway Program Call For Projects Draft Recommendations

Patrick Gilster, Manager, Programming and Monitoring, provided the presentation. He noted that there would be additional stakeholder engagement throughout the phases. Sandra Lang asked about continued for public input on the 101/Peninsula Interchange Project. Mr. Hurley said there would be ample opportunities for the public to review and comment on the project as it moves through the environmental process. The CAC members said they strongly supported Option #3, which would include funding for two Coastside projects: the Moss Beach SR (State Route) 1 Improvements and the SR 1/Manor Drive overcrossing in Pacifica.

State and Federal Legislative Update

Amy Linehan, Public Affairs Specialist, provided a summary of federal and state legislation. She said Congress is still trying to come to an agreement on the infrastructure bill. She said the President presented a trimmed-down version of the Build Back Better framework provides some funding for transportation. She said the infrastructure bill may pass the House as soon as this week. She said the state legislature is in recess until early January.

Report of the Chair

Chair Arietta provided an update on the October 29 Caltrain governance committee meeting.

Report from Staff

Mr. Hurley provided a summary of ongoing projects. He noted the ribbon-cutting on October 13 in Half Moon Bay. He announced the November 17 workshop on preparing for the future with autonomous vehicles.