

**SAMTRANS LIAISON REPORT**  
**Meeting of September 1, 2021**

**BOARD ACTIONS**

- Approved the minutes for the Board of Directors regular meeting of August 4, 2021, and special meetings of August 4 and August 24, 2021
- Accepted the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the period ending July 31, 2021
- Accepted the Capital Projects Quarterly Status Report – 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY 2021
- Authorized filing an annual claim with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for Transportation Development Act, State Transit Assistance, and Regional Measure 2 funds
- Approved a resolution in support of the 4<sup>th</sup> annual California Clean Air Day
- Awarded a contract to Jacobs Project Management Company for On-call Program Management Oversight Services for a Not-to-exceed Amount of \$2.5 Million for a Five-year Term
- Awarded a contract to Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. for Preliminary Design of Electrical Infrastructure Upgrades for Two Bus Maintenance Facilities for a Not-to-exceed Amount of \$415,089 for a One-year Term
- Declared Pursuant to the Surplus Land Act that Certain Real Property Located at Sequoia Station is Exempt Surplus Land that is Not Necessary for the District's Use; Authorizing District Staff to Proceed to Negotiate to Dispose of the Property; Finding that Such Declaration is Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act

**BOARD HIGHLIGHTS**

- In response to public commenters, Chair Charles Stone encouraged members of the public to contact District staff [Reimagine@samtrans.com](mailto:Reimagine@samtrans.com) with any service concerns or suggestions.
- Carter Mau, Acting General Manager/CEO, thanked staff and operators for their efforts with the latest runbook that began mid-August with a minimum of disruption of service to customers.

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS**

**Strategic Planning, Development, and Sustainability Committee**

Motion to Accept the US-101 Mobility Action Plan

Committee Member Jeff Gee requested that the Planning department investigate a way to quantify the stress and throughput that is caused by driver behavior. Millie Tolleson, Manager, Strategic Planning, said she would look into it, and noted that this is also a public health concern.

Chair Charles Stone asked how SamTrans plans to achieve the goal of promoting transit use. Ms. Tolleson said that there are efforts to approve parallel roadways to Highway 101 to help with bus speeds, making transit more competitive with driving.

San Mateo County Shuttle Study Update

Committee Member Gee suggested that the District provide metrics gauging the success of the service so that it could be modified as needed in the future.

Chair Stone said he looked forward to making a more robust program and suggested coming up with creative solutions for workforce developments.

## **Legislative Committee**

### State and Federal Legislative Update

Casey Fromson, Acting Chief Communications Officer briefly summarized the highlights of recent federal and state legislation. She said that the infrastructure package had passed the Senate and awaited passing the House of Representatives and added that there are potential negotiations about the transportation package at the state level.

## **CLOSED SESSIONS**

There were six Closed Sessions that included Existing Litigation (Serenity Woods, et al. v. San Mateo County Transit District), Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Sequoia Station Shopping Center on El Camino Real in Redwood City, APN 052-550-010), Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of Litigation (Two Potential Cases), and Conference with Labor Negotiators.

Joan Cassman, Legal Counsel, reported out on one action for the first Closed Session where the Board unanimously approved a settlement in the amount of \$250,000. She noted that there were no other reportable actions for the other items.