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AGENDA

San Mateo County Transportation Authority

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting

January 6, 2026, 4:30 pm

Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor
1250 San Carlos Avenue
San Carlos, CA 94070

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Tuesday, January 6, 2026

4:30 pm

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1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance
 2. Roll Call
 3. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda
Public comment by each individual speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes.
 4. Consent Calendar
 - 4.a. Approval of Minutes of the CAC Meeting of December 2, 2025 Motion

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- 4.b. **TA Board Item 8.b. – Adopting the Grand Boulevard Initiative** Motion
Action Plan – Board Action: Resolution
- 4.c. **TA Board Item 8.c. – Adopt 2026 Legislative Program** Motion
Board Action: Motion
5. Discussion on Senate Bill 707 – Advisory Body Meeting Requirements Motion
6. **TA Board Item 13.a. – Consider Amending the \$10,000,000 Allocation in Original Measure A Funds to the San Mateo County Transit District for Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027 Member Agency Contributions to Caltrain to Remove Conditions** Motion
Board Action: Resolution
7. **TA Board Item 14.a. – Programming and Allocating \$189,934,617 in Measure A and Measure W Highway Program Funds for 17 Highway Projects; Supporting Requests for \$1,516,000 in Local Project Partnership Programs funds for City of Half Moon Bay’s Highway 1: Main Street to Kehoe Avenue Project and \$3,000,000 in Regional Measure 3 Funds for City of San Mateo’s Fashion Island/19th Avenue Separated Bikeway Project** Motion
Board Action: Resolution
8. **TA Board Item 14.b. – Proposed Updates to the Grade Separation Program Policies and Near-Term Funding Strategy** Informational
Board Action: Informational
9. **TA Board Item 15.a. – Legislative Update** Informational
Board Action: Informational

Note: All items appearing on the agenda are subject to action by the CAC.

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| 10. | Report of the Chair | Informational |
| | 10.a. Appointment of Nominating Committee for 2026 Chair and Vice Chair | Informational |
| 11. | Report from Staff | Informational |
| 12. | Member Comments / Requests
<i>Committee members may make brief statements regarding CAC-related areas of concern, ideas for improvement, or other items that will benefit or impact the TA or the CAC.</i> | |
| 13. | Date/Time of Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 4:30 pm
<i>The meeting will be accessible via Zoom teleconference and/or in person at the San Mateo County Transit District, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA. Please see the meeting agenda for more information.</i> | |
| 14. | Adjourn | |

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Date and Time of Regular and Community Advisory Committee Meetings

The Transportation Authority (TA) Board of Directors meets regularly on the first Thursday of the month at 5:00 p.m. The TA Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meets regularly on the Tuesday prior to the TA Board meeting at 4:30 pm. Date, time and location of meetings may be changed as necessary. Meeting schedules for the Board and CAC are available on the TA website.

Location of Meeting

This meeting will be held in-person at: San Mateo County Transit District, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA. Members of the public may attend in-person or participate remotely via Zoom as per the information provided at the top of the agenda.

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**San Mateo County Transportation Authority
Community Advisory Committee (CAC)**

**1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, California 94070
DRAFT Minutes of December 2, 2025**

Members Present: G. Carlini, N. Enriquez, R. Hedges, C. Kao, K. Kuklin, S. Lang,
G. Mattammal (arrived at 5:00pm), M. Swire (Vice Chair)
Members Absent: B. Arietta (Chair), J. Fox, R. Garbarino
Staff Present: A. Feng, P. Gilster, C. Halls, T. Huckaby, L. Ko, J. Manzi, P. Skinner

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Mike Swire called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm. Rich Hedges led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Lauryn Ko, CAC Secretary, called the roll and confirmed a Committee quorum was present.

3. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda - There were none.

4. Consent Calendar

4.a. Approval of Minutes of the CAC Meeting of November 4, 2025

TA Board of Directors Meeting Agenda for December 4, 2025

4.b. TA Board Item 6.b. – Acceptance of Capital Projects Quarterly Status Report for Fiscal Year 2026 Quarter 1

The Committee Members had a discussion which included pre-construction Woodside project costs and project scope and goal refinement.

4.c. TA Board Item 6.c. – Accept US 101 Express Lanes Quarterly Update on Variable Rate Bonds and Express Lanes Performance

The Committee Members had a discussion which included US 101 congestion and High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane usage and occupancy-detection.

Motion for Items 4.a., 4.b., and 4.c./Second: Hedges/Kuklin

Ayes: Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kao, Kuklin, Lang, Swire

Noes: None

Absent: Arietta, Fox, Garbarino, Mattammal

4.d. TA Board Item 6.d. – Adopting the Mid County Multimodal Strategy

4.e. TA Board Item 6.e. – Adopting the North County Multimodal Strategy

The Committee Members had a discussion which included existing project prioritization, multi-modal concerns, and funding application impacts.

Motion to reject Item 4.d./Second: Carlini/Swire

Ayes: Carlini

Noes: Enrique, Hedges, Kao, Kuklin, Lang, Swire

Absent: Arietta, Fox, Garbarino, Mattammal

Motion to reject Item 4.d. failed.

Motion to accept Item 4.d. and 4.e./Second: Hedges/Lang

Ayes: Enriquez, Hedges, Kao, Kuklin, Lang, Swire

Noes: Carlini

Absent: Arietta, Fox, Garbarino, Mattammal

5. TA Board Item 11.a. – Brand Refresh Update

Taylor Huckaby, Deputy Chief, Communications, provided the presentation that included the following:

- Goals: consistency, stakeholder value and recognition, and approachability
- Website and logo update

The Committee Members had a discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee comments and questions, which included the following:

- Public feedback opportunities and Key Performance Indicators (KPI)
- Stakeholder considerations
- Marketing and branding distinction between San Mateo County Transportation District (SMCTD) agencies
- Website information approachability and messaging

Gus Mattammal arrived at 5:00 pm.

6. TA Board Item 11.b. – 2025 Highway Program Call for Projects Draft Recommendations

Patrick Gilster, Director, Planning and Fund Management, provided the presentation that included the following:

- Updated pre-environmental and post-environmental evaluation criteria
- Updated Measure A Supplemental Roadway list
- 65 nominations received; 58 corridors accepted; geographic spread of projects
- Major Projects Advancement Policy increased investment transparency
- Proposed project highlights and funding requests from City of Burlingame, Town of Colma, City of Pacifica, City of San Carlos, City of San Mateo, and San Mateo County

Nheeda Enriquez left at 5:49 pm.

The Committee Members had a discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee comments and questions, which included the following:

- Safety and design concerns for bike lanes and shared paths
- \$84 million San Carlos project allocation
- Woodland Avenue conditional funding and project requirement alignment
- All 17 funded submissions
- Highway ramp conversion metrics
- Multi-modal improvements

7. TA Board Item 11.c. – Grand Boulevard Initiative (GBI) Action Plan

Mr. Gilster and Cassie Halls, Manager, Major Corridors Program, provided the presentation that included the following:

- El Camino Real (State Route 82) safety and mobility upgrades
- Interagency collaboration for local corridor studies across San Mateo County to improve bus reliability (safety, mobility, and efficiency)
- 25-mile project, up to \$1 billion; up to \$500 million funded by Measure A and W and up to \$500 million funding needed

The Committee Members had a discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee comments and questions, which included the following:

- Focused plan built on past lessons
- Lane removal
- Funding sources and Senate Bill (SB) 960
- City contributions and flexibility
- Rapid bus, Class 4 bike lanes, fewer traffic lights/medians; turbo roundabouts as a cost-effective option
- Transit Signal Priority (TSP)

8. TA Board Item 12.a. – Acceptance of the San Mateo County Transportation Authority's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

Peter Skinner, Chief Officer, Transportation Authority, reported a clean audit.

Motion/Second: Hedges/Lang

Ayes: Carlini, Hedges, Kao, Kuklin, Lang, Mattammal, Swire

Noes: None

Absent: Arietta, Enriquez, Fox, Garbarino

9. TA Board Item 13a. – Legislative Update

Mr. Skinner stated no major updates for state and federal levels.

10. TA Board Item 13.b. – Draft Legislative Program for 2026 Board

Amy Linehan, Government Affairs Officer, presented the staff report that included the following:

- Securing and protecting project funding
- State, federal and regulatory policy priorities
- Flexible approach for future advocacy opportunities

The Committee Members had a discussion which included Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) mitigation and the program's organizational structure.

11. Report of the Chair

11a. Selection of Two Topics for Discussion at Future CAC Meetings

- Vice Chair Swire will lead a discussion on induced demand and highway widening
- Giuliano Carlini will lead a discussion on Driving Mode Shift

Motion/Second: Hedges/Kao

Ayes: Carlini, Hedges, Kao, Kuklin, Lang, Mattammal, Swire

Noes: None

Absent: Arietta, Enriquez, Fox, Garbarino

12. Report from Staff

Mr. Skinner stated no additional updates.

13. Member Comments/Requests

The Committee Members commented on the following:

- Office conversion to housing
- Highway 101 on-ramp metering; improved travel times but local roads backup
- Project proposal adoption and rejection

14. Date/Time of Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, January 6, 2026, at 4:30pm via Zoom and in person at the San Mateo County Transit District, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA.

15. Adjourn - The meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.



Date: December 30, 2025
To: Community Advisory Committee
From: Barbara Arietta
Subject: Report of the Chair

It's both a new year and a new opportunity to find solutions to our transportation problems in San Mateo County.

And, what are the most critical problems for the San Mateo County Transportation Authority? The answer to that question involves securing stable, long-term funding for Caltrain and SamTrans; addressing major traffic on corridors like United States (US) 101; improving safety for pedestrian/cyclists (especially post-pandemic); and enhancing connectivity/equity for underserved communities, all while navigating federal funding hurdles and planning for sustainable, multimodal solutions like improved shuttles and bike paths.

Here's a breakdown of key public concerns and challenges:

- **Funding Stability:** A huge issue in the potential loss of federal funds due to PEPPRA (a Public Employee's Pension Reform Act) rules, threatening Caltrain/SamTrans services, pushing for regional funding measures.
- **Congestion and Connectivity:** Reducing traffic on US 101 and connecting coastal areas (Highway 1) with better transit, and bike and pedestrian options is a major focus.
- **Safety:** Higher post-pandemic collisions involving pedestrians and cyclists highlight the need for safer infrastructure (Active 101 Projects).
- **Service Gaps:** Inconsistent shuttle performance and "last mile" challenge in connecting people to regional transit remain significant hurdles, per the SamTrans shuttle study.
- **Equity:** Ensuring improved access for lower income and underserved communities is a priority for new programs.

In essence, the public wants reliable, safe and accessible transit, but the San Mateo County Transportation Authority faces huge financial and operational challenges to deliver it, especially concerning regional rail and first/last mile connections.

Prepared By: Barbara Arietta TA CAC Chair