

**San Mateo County Transportation Authority
Board of Directors**

**1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, California 94070
Skyline College, 3300 College Drive, Building 12, San Bruno, CA 94066**

Minutes of February 5, 2026

Members Present: Noelia Corzo, Anders Fung (arrived at 5:04 pm), Ray Mueller, Carlos Romero, Mark Nagales (Vice Chair), Julia Mates (Chair)

Members Present Rico E. Medina

via Teleconference:

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: A. Alicic, S. Atkinson, J. Cassman, A. Chan, J. Epstein, A. Feng, P. Gilster, T. Huckaby, L. Lumina--Hsu, J. Manzi, P. Skinner, D. Susantin

1. Call to Order

Chair Mates called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm.

2. Oath of Office – Ray Mueller for a term ending December 31, 2026, representing the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors

Loana Lumina Hsu, Deputy Authority Secretary, delivered the Oath of Office to Ray Mueller representing the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors.

3. Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Lumina-Hsu called the roll and confirmed a Board quorum was present.

Chair Mates led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Request to move Item 11.d. to be heard after Item 11.a.

Motion/Second: Nagales/Corzo

Ayes: Corzo, Fung, Medina, Mueller, Romero, Nagales, Mates

Noes: None

Absent: None

4. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

Rich Hedges commented on adding protected crosswalks at 17th and El Camino Real for pedestrian safety.

5. Report of the Community Advisory Committee

Chair Mates stated the report is available online.

6. Consent Calendar

- 6.a. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of January 8, 2026**
- 6.b. Receive Quarterly Financial Report Fiscal Year 2026 Quarter 2 Results and Financial Outlook**
- 6.c. Accept Quarterly Investment Report**
- 6.d. Updating the Strategic Plan 2025-2029 to Revise the Grade Separation Program Policies and Near-Term Funding Strategy, and to Limit Allocations for Cost Increases for Competitive Program Projects – *Approved by Resolution No. 2026-04***

Motion/Second: Romero/Nagales

Ayes: Corzo, Fung, Medina, Mueller, Romero, Nagales, Mates

Noes: None

Absent: None

7. Report of the Chair

- 7.a. Resolution of Appreciation for Carlos Romero – *Approved by Resolution No. 2026-05***

Motion/Second: Fung/Corzo

Ayes: Corzo, Fung, Medina, Mueller, Romero, Nagales, Mates

Noes: None

Absent: None

8. San Mateo County Transit District Liaison Report

Chair Medina stated the report was posted online.

9. Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board Liaison Report

Chair Medina stated the report was posted online.

10. Report of Executive Director

April Chan, Executive Director, stated the report was in the packet and noted the following:

- Welcomed Director Mueller for his return to the Board
- Key Performance Indicator (KPI) dashboard is now live
- Upcoming Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) workshop on alternative service framework
- SamTrans workshop on financial sustainability and funding planning

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions, which included opportunities to provide additional funding, mini-grants, and various grant levels, and KPI dashboard expenditures for completed projects clarification.

11. Program

11.a. 101 Corridor Connect: Draft South County Multimodal Strategy

Sue-Ellen Atkinson, Manager, Planning and Funding Management, provided the presentation that included the following:

- Engaged 1,700 participants via pop-ups, focus groups, and online surveys
- Key concerns: congestion, transit access/reliability, bike/pedestrian safety, limited options
- Top 20 projects prioritized using program goals and key corridors
- Implementation plan identifies funding sources: federal, state, Measure A and W

Director Mueller left at 5:24 pm.

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions, which included the following:

- Mini-Grant Program has \$4 million funding; \$750,000 cap per project; multi-city projects may get \$1 million
- Support for project sponsors and multi-city collaboration
- Track benefits such as vehicle miles traveled (VMT) reduction and mode shift

Item 11.d. was heard prior to Item 11.b.

11.b. San Mateo Countywide Transportation Plan Update

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

- Community input, around 30,000 touchpoints, multilingual, in-person, and online engagement
- Creates a vision for the future of transportation in San Mateo County
- Goals: safe, equitable, accessible, climate-resilient
- Travel data: high solo driving, short trips for active modes
- Roadway concerns: traffic congestion, weekend congestion and emergency access
- Transit: SamTrans backbone, ridership, frequency/reliability needs
- Active transportation: bikeway network, safety, intersections, amenities, sidewalk inventory, e-bike incentives

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions, which included the following:

- Countywide Transportation Plan (CTP) purpose and long-term vision
- Key challenges: congestion, single-occupancy vehicles, safety
- Transit and active transportation including e-bikes and microtransit
- Future technology trends: autonomous vehicles, mode shift, electrification
- Regional collaboration and alignment with cities, City/County Association of Governments (C/CAG), and funding

11.c. Brand Refresh Update

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

- Goals: consistency, recognition, approachability, value
- Modern, flat logotype, accessible and scalable
- Developed through stakeholder feedback and iterations

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions, which included the logo and website updates were part of a brand refresh.

11.d. 101 Corridor Connect: US 101 San Mateo County Crossings Improvement Implementation Plan (Active 101) Update

Ms. Atkinson, provided the presentation that included the following:

- Plan focuses on a quarter-mile corridor around freeway; adds 27 miles of bike and pedestrian infrastructure; enhances high-injury segments and 16 crossings
- Six priority projects have conceptual designs and community input
- Goals: safety, connectivity, sustainability, inclusivity

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions, which included full document access and online format, and setting project objectives and reducing VMT.

12. Legislative Matters

12.a. Legislative Update

Jessica Epstein, Director, Government and Community Affairs, provided the presentation that included the following:

Federal

- 11 of 12 bills passed; United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) funds pending
- Transportation, Housing and Urban Development bill approved
- Highway funding increased; transit and rail funding decreased

State

- Fiscal Year 2026 budget: \$2.9 billion deficit, balanced budget due June 15

13. Requests from the Authority – Director Corzo requested the Transportation Authority lead a conversation on bike and pedestrian safety.

14. Written Communications to the Authority – Available online.

15. Date/Time of Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, March 5, 2026, at 5:00 pm

16. Report of Legal Counsel

16.a. Establishing Community Advisory Committee Appointment Procedures - *Approved by Resolution No. 2026-06*

Joan Cassman, Legal Counsel, and Peter Skinner, Chief, Transportation Authority, presented a revised Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) selection procedures incorporating prior Board feedback.

Motion/Second: Nagales/Fung

Ayes: Corzo, Fung, Medina, Romero, Nagales, Mates

Noes: None

Absent: Mueller

17. Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 7:17pm.