

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

**1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, California 94070**

**Minutes of March 5, 2026**

**Members Present:** Anders Fung, Rico E. Medina, Carlos Romero, Mark Nagales (Vice Chair), Julia Mates (Chair)

**Members Absent:** Noelia Corzo, Ray Mueller

**Staff Present:** A. Alicic, S. Atkinson, J. Cassman, A. Chan, J. Epstein, P. Gilster, L. Ko, J. Manzi, P. Skinner, M. Tseng

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Mates called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

**2. Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance**

Margaret Tseng, Authority Secretary, called the roll and confirmed a Board quorum was present.

Chair Mates led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**4. Report of the Community Advisory Committee** - Chair Mates stated there was none as the meeting was cancelled.

**5. Consent Calendar**

**5.a. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of February 5, 2026**

**5.b. Accept Capital Projects Quarterly Status Report for Fiscal Year 2026 Quarter 2**

**5.c. Accept Quarterly Reports for On-Call Contracts for Fiscal Year 2026 Quarter 2**

**5.d. Authorizing Submittal of an Allocation Request for \$48,000,000 in Regional Measure 3 Funding for State Route 84/US 101 Interchange Reimagined Project –**  
*Approved by Resolution No. 2026-07*

**5.e. Adopting the 101 Corridor Connect: US 101 San Mateo County Crossings Improvement Implementation Plan (Active 101) –**  
*Approved by Resolution No. 2026-08*

**5.f. Adopting the South County Multimodal Strategy and Allocating \$5,600,000 in New Measure A Interest Income Funds for Implementation of 101 Corridor Connect Programs and the Highway 1 Coastal Connect Plan –**  
*Approved by Resolution No. 2026-09*

The Board commended staff for work on Item 5.f.

Motion/Second: Medina/Nagales

Ayes: Fung, Medina, Romero, Nagales, Mates

Noes: None

Absent: Corzo, Mueller

## **6. Report of the Chair**

### **6.a. Resolution of Appreciation for Jackie Speier – *Approved by Resolution No. 2026-10***

Chair Mates read the Resolution of Appreciation and thanked Director Jackie Speier's accomplishments during the served term.

Motion/Second: Romero/Fung

Ayes: Fung, Medina, Romero, Nagales, Mates

Noes: None

Absent: Corzo, Mueller

## **7. San Mateo County Transit District Liaison Report**

Director Medina stated the report was posted online and noted the new headquarters move preparation and awarded artificial intelligence dual camera contract.

## **8. Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board Liaison Report**

Director Medina stated the report was posted online and noted the state transit loan with Metropolitan Transit Commission and the Corridor Right-of-Way Safety Strategy adoption.

## **9. Report of Executive Director**

April Chan, Executive Director, stated the report was in the packet and reported the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board Governance Ad Hoc Committee managing agency contract reviewal, managing agency presentation, and shared services efficiency review.

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions about no requests being made for Caltrain to become an independent agency and Measure W funding for the Dumbarton Busway Project.

## **10. Program**

### **10.a. Accept US 101 Express Lanes Semi-annual Update on Variable Rate Bonds and Express Lanes Performance**

Adela Alicic, Manager, Treasury, provided the presentation that included Series A and Series B fluctuations, principal payment reductions, and rate cuts.

Kim Comstock, Program Director, Transportation Joint Powers Authority - Express Lanes, and Liz Justison, Policy Program Manager, Transportation Joint Powers Authority - Express Lanes, presented on the following.

- Increase in average daily trips, annual toll-free trips, total passengers, high occupancy vehicle (HOV) California Highway Police (CHP) enforcement, and southbound toll; consistent average express lane speeds
- Comparison of quarterly daily trips, trip types, and revenues and expenses
- Morning and evening peak period maps and average tolls for northbound and southbound; paid tolls distribution
- CHP enforcement hours and costs; Go Card Program launch

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions, which included index volatility; CHP citations, costs, and fund allocations; heat map removal; and average toll increases.

Motion/Second: Nagales/Medina

Ayes: Fung, Medina, Romero, Nagales, Mates

Noes: None

Absent: Corzo, Mueller

#### **10.b. Peninsula Shuttle Program Optimization and Funding Strategy - Update**

Sue-Ellen Atkinson, Manager, Planning and Fund Management, and Patrick Gilster, Director, Planning and Fund Management, provided the presentation that included the following:

- Working group and stakeholder activities; Measure A allocations; private and public matches
- Decrease in shuttles but stable funding; 50 percent recovered ridership; increased price per passenger
- Shuttle performance and operation challenges with increasing costs and fixed Measure A funding
- Workshops; technical assistance to develop three conceptual shuttles in Daly City, Millbrae, and San Mateo; key program goals and policies

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

- Seven-year term selection and secured Measure A funding; local Measure A usage
- Program performance metrics
- Workshop representatives
- Needs identification with prediction and forecasting with increasing costs and ridership volatility

### **10.c. Project Updates: US 101 Managed Lanes North of Interstate 380 and US 101/State Route 92 Direct Connector**

Jessica Manzi, Director, Project Delivery, and Carolyn Mamoraldo, Senior Program Manager, provided the presentation that included the following:

- California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (C/CAG) partnership
- Center lane connectivity and continuity for efficiency; alternatives and property impacts
- Spring 2027 Draft Environmental Document circulation; Noise Impact Analysis
- Digital and in-person public outreach activities; project funding and timeline
- 19th Ave multimodal project for a protected bikeway and pedestrian walkway improvements

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

- Cut-through traffic and analysis, city council briefings, drainage system improvement
- Community outreach platforms, environmental report; reversible lane technology; project delays

Ms. Manzi continued the presentation that included alternatives, project budget usage, and future Board activities.

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions, which included public outreach efforts, design feedback, existing managed lanes performance metrics, and available funding options.

## **11. Finance**

**11.a. Awarding Contracts to AECOM Technical Services, Inc.; HDR Engineering, Inc.; Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.; Mark Thomas & Company, Inc.; and William R. Gray and Company, dba Gray-Bowen-Scott, for On-Call General Engineering Consultant Services for an Aggregate Not-To-Exceed Amount of \$70 Million for a Five-Year Base Term, with up to Two Additional One-Year Option Terms for an Additional \$15 Million Each, for an Aggregate Not-To-Exceed Amount of \$100 Million – Approved by Resolution No. 2026-11**

Ms. Manzi provided the presentation that included the following:

- Upcoming contract expiration with approximately \$25 million funds used (60 percent of capacity)
- Project list; solicitation process for request for proposals (RFP); competitive pricing; word directive guidelines

Motion/Second: Medina/Fung

Ayes: Fung, Medina, Romero, Nagales, Mates

Noes: None

Absent: Corzo, Mueller

## **12. Legislative Matters**

### **12.a. Legislative Update**

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

Federal:

- State of Union address; budget delays
- Fiscal Year 2026 appropriations; \$3.15 million in earmarks to be received for TA projects; upcoming deadlines, including the application for \$3 million for the Bay Trail project

State:

- Bill introduction and fiscal bill introduction hearing deadlines; reduced bill introduction
- Governor Newsom, California Department of Finance, and Metropolitan Transportation Commission Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) funding agreement with Bay Area transit agencies; loan repayment methods
- Wage bills under Assembly Bill (AB) 1198 for public work contractors

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions, which included reduced appropriations cap and federal regulations for prevailing wages.

**13. Requests from the Authority** – Director Medina thanked the Executive Director and staff for their contributions.

**14. Written Communications to the Authority** – Available online.

**15. Date/Time of Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, April 2, 2026, at 5:00 pm**

### **16. Report of Legal Counsel**

Joan Cassman, Legal Counsel, stated there was no report.

**17. Adjournment** - The meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.