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### AGENDA

### CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

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<u>September 29, 2020 – Tuesday</u>	(Revised 9-24-2020)
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1) Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

SAN MATEO COUNTY

Authority

Transportation

- 2) Roll Call
- 3) Approval of Minutes from September 1, 2020
- 4) Approval of 2021 CAC Meeting Calendar
- 5) Presentation on SMCTD Website Replacement Project INFORMATIONAL
- 6) Public Comment For Items Not on the Agenda

**TA Citizens Advisory Committee Members 2020**: Barbara Arietta (Chair), Diana Bautista, An Chen, Ken Chin, John Fox (Vice Chair), Steven Green, Rich Hedges, Naomi Hsu, Karen Kuklin, Sandra Lang, Jeff Londer, Olma O'Neill, Peter Ohtaki, Dave Reed, Mario Rendon

Staff Liaison: Joe Hurley, Transportation Authority Director

CAC Secretary: Jean Brook

4:30 pm

MOTION

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Public testimony by each individual speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes

7)	Transportation Authority Board Meeting Agenda for October 1,
	2020:

	a)	TA Board Item 9 (a) US 101/Produce Avenue Project Update	INFORMATIONAL
	b)	TA Board Item 9 (b) Paratransit Program Update	INFORMATIONAL
	c)	<b>TA Board Item 10 (a)</b> <u>Allocation of \$18,097,344 in Measure A</u> <u>Funds to the San Mateo County Transit District for the</u> <u>SamTrans Paratransit Program and Caltrain</u> <del>Allocation to</del> <del>SamTrans to Provide Operating Funds for Paratransit and</del> <u>Caltrain</u>	MOTION
	d)	TA Board Item 11 State and Federal Legislative Update	INFORMATIONAL
	e)	<b>TA Board Item 5 (b)</b> Acceptance of Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Period Ending June 30, 2020	MOTION
	f)	<b>TA Board Item 5 (c)</b> Acceptance of Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Period Ending August <u>3031</u> , 2020	MOTION
	g)	<b>TA Board Item 5 (d)</b> Acceptance of Measure A Semiannual Program Status Report	MOTION
	h)	<b>TA Board Item 5 (e)</b> Approval of the 2021 Board of Directors Calendar	MOTION
	i)	<b>TA Board Item 5 (a)</b> Approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of September 3, 2020	INFORMATIONAL
8)	Report of the Chair		
9)	Report from Staff		
10)	) Me	ember Comments/Requests	

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

9) Date/Time of Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, November 3, 2020, 4:30 pm via Zoom Teleconference

10) Adjourn

#### **INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC**

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#### Date and Time of Regular Meetings

The Transportation Authority (TA) meets regularly on the first Thursday of the month at 5:00 pm. The TA Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meets regularly on the Tuesday prior to the first Thursday of the month at 4:30 pm at the San Mateo County Transit District Administrative Building.

#### Location of Meeting

Due to COVID-19, the meeting will only be via teleconference as per the information provided at the top of the agenda. The Public may not attend this meeting in person.

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#### SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY 1250 SAN CARLOS AVENUE, SAN CARLOS, CALIFORNIA

#### CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) MEETING MINUTES

#### SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: (Via	B. Arietta (Chair)*, D. Bautista (left at 6:34 pm), K. Chin (left at 4:59 pm and rejoined at 5:11 pm), J. Fox (Vice Chair)*, S. Green,	
Teleconference)	R. Hedges, N. Hsu, K. Kuklin (left at 6:37 pm), S. Lang, J. Londer, P. Ohtaki, D. Reed (arrived at 5:39 pm), M. Rendon	
MEMBERS ABSENT:	A. Chen, O. O'Neill	

STAFF PRESENT:J. Hurley, R. McCauley, P. Skinner, D. Hansel, A. Chan, J. Williams,<br/>C. Mobley-Ritter, J. Sangha, A. Edwin J. Brook

\* Vice Chair John Fox chaired the meeting in place of Chair Barbara Arietta due to the technical considerations of conducting the meeting via teleconference.

#### 1) CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair John Fox called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm and he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 2) ROLL CALL

CAC Secretary Jean Brook called the roll. A quorum was present.

#### 3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE TA CAC MEETING OF AUGUST 4, 2020

Motion/Second: Kuklin/Ohtaki

Ayes: Arietta, Bautista, Chin, Fox, Green, Hedges, Hsu, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Ohtaki, Rendon

Absent: Chen, O'Neill, Reed

#### 4) PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

TA Board Chair Emily Beach commended the CAC on their support of the Board.

#### 5) TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 3, 2020

#### a) TA Board Item 10 State and Federal Legislative Update

Ryan McCauley, Government and Community Affairs Specialist, noted that the oneeighth-cent sales tax measure was put on the November ballot as Measure RR. He provided details on recent federal and state legislation.

#### b) TA Board Item 11 (a) San Mateo County Transit District Shuttle Study Update

Daniel Shockley, Senior Planner, provided the presentation.

Ken Chin left the meeting at 4:59 pm



April Chan, Chief Officer, Planning, Grants/Transportation Authority, said the TA provides 4 percent of the new Measure A Program funding to support the shuttle program. She said the study was commissioned by Caltrain and SamTrans to determine the most effective shuttle program.

Peter Ohtaki, said that several cities are setting up TMAs (transportation management associations) and asked how the shuttle study included them. He asked about the potential need for a marketing study to determine emerging trends with shuttle service.

#### Ken Chin rejoined the meeting at 5:11 pm

Mr. Shockley said that they had had many conversations with city staff and asked Daniel Jacobson, Project Manager, Fehr & Peers, to elaborate. Mr. Jacobson said that while every city is grappling with similar challenges, each city has different solutions. He noted that some cities have a strong funding approach for shuttles based on taxes directly from employers and other cities excel in marketing their shuttles to employers, working with organizations like Commute.org.

Naomi Hsu asked about the complexities of the shuttle program from the user perspective. Mr. Shockley said one issue is that there is no central place for users to get shuttle information. Mr. Jacobson said none of the shuttles are on the SamTrans map and one-third are not available on Google Maps. He said 15 percent of shuttle stops do not have direct access to a sidewalk, which is problematic for riders with accessibility needs.

#### c) TA Board Item 11 (b) Alternative Congestion Relief Program Update

Jennifer Williams, Administrative Analyst II, introduced John Ford, Executive Director, Commute.org, who then provided the presentation.

Jeff Londer noted that the shuttle program was operating at only 14 percent of what it was last year. Mr. Ford said that Commute.org's relationship with the TA allows flexibility.

Ken Chin commended Commute.org's approach to transportation and commuting as being holistic.

Vice Chair Fox said that destinations need to support active transportation, such as providing bicycle parking in front of businesses.

#### Dave Reed joined the meeting at 5:39 pm

Mr. Ford said that commuters need incentive to continue using transit, such as having shuttles to travel the first and last mile.

Rich Hedges said he agreed that transit riders need added incentives. He said that planning is essential to getting people out of their cars.



d) TA Board Item 12 (a) Allocation of \$524,611 in Measure A Alternative Congestion Relief Funds to the Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance (Commute.org) to Support the Countywide Congestion Relief Program for Fiscal Year 2021

Peter Skinner, Director of Grants and Funds Management, provided the staff report.

Vice Chair Fox asked about funding changes. Mr. Skinner said Commute.org was asking for less than last year.

Motion/Second: Arietta/Hedges Ayes: Arietta, Bautista, Chin, Fox, Green, Hedges, Hsu, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Ohtaki, Reed, Rendon Absent: Chen, O'Neill

#### e) TA Board Item 12 (b) Reprogramming and Reallocation of \$1,000,000 in Measure A Funds from the Project Initiation Document Phase to Project Approval/Environmental Document Phase of the US 101/SR 92 Direct Connector Project

Arul Edwin, Project Manager, provided the staff report.

Motion/Second: Hedges/Kuklin Ayes: Arietta, Bautista, Chin, Fox, Green, Hedges, Hsu, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Ohtaki, Reed, Rendon Absent: Chen, O'Neill

### f) TA Board Item 12 (c) Public Hearing: Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget in the Amount of \$212,055,740

Derek Hansel, Chief Financial Officer, provided the presentation.

Mr. Hedges noted that the market has increased in value and people are feeling freer to spend.

Dave Reed asked about the timeliness of the CDTFA (California Department of Tax and Fee Administration) information. Mr. Hansel said that they get updated information from their consultants.

Mr. Ohtaki asked if he believed the budget forecast was adequately conservative. Mr. Hansel said that the District has operating commitments that it makes when it sets the budget. He said he believed the 2021 budget was appropriately conservative.

Motion/Second: Arietta/Hedges Ayes: Arietta, Bautista, Chin, Fox, Green, Hedges, Hsu, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Ohtaki, Reed, Rendon Absent: Chen, O'Neill

#### g) TA Board Item 5 (b) Acceptance of Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for July 2020

Mr. Ohtaki said that the statement represented a considerable decrease year over year. Mr. Hansel said that the numbers are always accrual-based and not actual numbers.



Mr. Reed said that the Governor signed an order that the filing requirement for retailers was extended by a quarter, which is impacting tax revenues.

Sandra Lang asked what "prior actual" referred to. Mr. Hansel said it was an accounting figure that refers to the historical close of sales taxes. He said that the number is variable from month to month and that they do not receive the sales tax receipts until relatively late. He said they accrue funds and then make adjustments.

Motion/Second: Arietta/Reed Ayes: Arietta, Bautista, Chin, Fox, Green, Hedges, Hsu, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Ohtaki, Reed, Rendon Absent: Chen, O'Neill

#### h) TA Board Item 5 (c) Acceptance of Capital Projects Quarterly Status Report for 4th Quarter Fiscal Year 2020

Mr. Ohtaki noted that the Menlo Park/Ravenswood grade separation project was missing from the report. Mr. Hurley said that the scope of work for which the funding was allocated is complete and the associated funding has been expended, therefore the TA is no longer reporting on the project.

Ms. Chan said they are waiting for the City of Menlo Park to respond for the next phase of the project.

Mr. Hurley summarized the status of all the interchange projects.

Mr. Hedges asked if any funding had been set aside for the Peninsula Avenue Interchange Project. Mr. Hurley said yes, for the environmental project, but they will need more funding to complete the full environmental phase.

Motion/Second: Reed/Londer

Ayes: Arietta, Bautista, Chin, Fox, Green, Hedges, Hsu, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Ohtaki, Reed, Rendon

Absent: Chen, O'Neill

### i) TA Board Item 5 (a) Approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of August 6, 2020

There were no comments.

#### 6) REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chair Arietta noted that on September 2, 5:30-6:30 pm, there would be a meeting about dedicated funding and governance of Caltrain, co-sponsored by Friends of Caltrain and Seamless Bay Area.

#### 7) REPORT FROM STAFF

Mr. Hurley gave an update on the 101Express Lanes Project . He said that the JPA (San Mateo County Express Lanes Joint Powers Authority) had taken action to approve the \$100 million loan for the Express Lanes project. He said that applications for bicycle/pedestrian projects are due September 21.



#### Diana Bautista left the meeting at 6:34 pm

#### 8) MEMBER COMMENTS/REQUESTS

Ms. Lang suggested that project application scoring criteria for bicycle/pedestrian projects should be given higher potential points.

#### Karen Kuklin left the meeting at 6:37 pm

Chair Arietta noted that San Francisco is doing a study on congestion pricing. She also noted that Los Angeles is talking about having transit be free to reduce auto traffic.

Mr. Hedges noted that Los Angeles rapidly expanding its transit framework.

Mr. Londer thanked everyone for their presentations and contributions.

#### 9) DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Vice Chair Fox announced that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 4:30 pm, with teleconference or location details to be provided prior to the meeting.

#### **10) ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.



### Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Calendar 2021



\* Last Tuesday preceding first Thursday of the next month

The CAC meets the Tuesday preceding the first Thursday of the month unless otherwise noted.

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## Jeremy Lipps Digital Comms Manager





The District is currently in the process of redesigning websites:

- Caltrain
- SamTrans
- TA

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- SMCTD
- SMCELJPA
- Numerous Microsites



Scope: Replace 10-year old websites:

- 1. Improve User Experience/Mobile
- 2. Improve Accessibility
- 3. Improve Security (CIA Confidentiality, Integrity, Availability)
- 4. Improve Data Flow (GTFS)
- 5. Update/Clean up content

The Team: Contractor FivePaths <u>www.fivepaths.com</u>



District Digital Comms Team Jeremy Lipps, Digital Comms Manager Mark Templo, Web Developer With Marketing, Contracts & Procurement, IT







Timeline

June, 2020 - Contract Signed July, 2020 – Began Work June 2021 - Expected Live Date

Current Activities Interviews and research Backend data collection Development site created





### Questions or Comments?

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