



**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
and
2000 MEASURE A CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) was called to order at 4:34 p.m. by Chairperson Powers, in Conference Room B-104, VTA River Oaks Campus, 3331 North First Street, San Jose, California.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Jeremy Barousse	Member	Present
Stephen Blaylock	Member	Present
Clinton Brownley	Member	Present
Bena Chang	Member	Present
Chris Elias	Member	Present
William Hadaya	Member	Present
Ray Hashimoto	Member	Present
Roberta Hughan	Member	Present
Robert Jacobvitz	Vice Chairperson	Present
Aaron Morrow	Member	Present
Charlotte Powers	Chairperson	Present
Sally Probst	Member	Absent
Connie Rogers	Member	Present
Martin Schulter	Member	Present
Noel Tebo	Member	Present
Herman Wadler	Member	Present

A quorum was present.

2. ORDERS OF THE DAY

There were no Orders of the Day.

3. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

There were no Public Presentations.

4. Committee Staff Report

Member Schuler took his seat at 4:38 p.m.

Member Chang took her seat at 4:43 p.m.

Greta Helm, Chief External Affairs Officer and Staff Liaison, provided a report as follows: 1) Silicon Valley Business Journal hosting the Silicon Valley Structures Panel featuring General Manager Michael T. Burns and other transportation executives on October 21, 2011, at 7:15 a.m., San Jose Marriott; 2) VTA hosting the October 22, 2011, El Camino Real Rapid Transit tour from 9:00 a.m. to Noon; 3) VTA hosting the November 2-4, 2011, California Transit Association's 46th Annual Fall Conference and Expo at the San Jose Marriott and San Jose Convention Center; and 4) Presented video featuring VTA staff interview with Chairperson Powers speaking on the role/purpose of the CAC/CWC and the progress made on 2000 Measure A Projects to date. Ms. Helm indicated the video was available on VTA's Multimedia Webpage, noting the upcoming development of videos highlighting VTA's other Advisory Committees.

Member Elias took his seat at 4:48 p.m.

On order of Chairperson Powers and there being no objection, the Committee Staff Report was received.

5. Chairperson's Report

Member Morrow and Chairperson of the Committee for Transit Accessibility (CTA) reported on the October 12, 2011, CTA meeting, highlighting: 1) Committee's lack of a quorum; and 2) Committee's opposition in supporting the current framework/grant application for funding the Mobility Options Program.

Chairperson Powers provided a report as follows: 1) reported on the September 26, 2011, VTA Advisory Committee Leadership Follow-Up Meeting, noting the concerns of the CTA and Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC); and 2) attended the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee informational hearing on Bay Area Regional Governance.

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COMBINED CAC AND 2000 MEASURE A CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE CONSENT AGENDAS

Members of the Committee requested that the following Agenda Item be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda: **Item #8.** Review the Monthly Legislative History Matrix.

M/S/C (Jacobvitz/Morrow) to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended.

NOTE: M/S/C MEANS MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED AND, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. Regular Meeting Minutes of September 7, 2011

M/S/C (Jacobvitz/Morrow) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 7, 2011.

7. Transit Operations Performance Report – FY2011

M/S/C (Jacobvitz/Morrow) to receive Transit Operations Performance Annual Report Fiscal Year 2011 (July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011).

8. (Removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda.)

Review the Monthly Legislative History Matrix.

2000 MEASURE A CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE REGULAR AGENDA

There were no items for the 2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee Regular Agenda.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR AGENDA

8. Monthly Legislative History Matrix

Ms. Helm provided a status report on the following bills: 1) AB 426 (B. Lowenthal) – Fare Evasion and Passenger Misconduct: Civil Administrative Penalties; 2) AB 427 (J.Perez) – Proposition 1B Bonds: Public Transit Safety; 3) AB 650 (Blumenfield) – Blue Ribbon Task Force on Public Transportation; 4) AB 1105 (Gordon) – VTA: Express Lanes; 5) SB 28 (Simitian) – Electronic Wireless Communications Devices; 6) SB 310 (Hancock) – Transit Priority Project Program; 7) SB 565 (DeSaulnier) – Omnibus Transportation Bill; and 8) SB 582 (Yee) – Regional Commute Benefit Ordinances.

M/S/C (Chang/Brownley) to review the Monthly Legislative History Matrix.

9. 2012 CAC Committee Leadership Election Process: Appoint Nomination Subcommittee

Stephen Flynn, Senior Management Analyst, provided the staff report.

M/S/C (Morrow/Rogers) to appoint Members Hadaya, Hashimoto, Schuler, and Tebo as the nomination subcommittee to identify Committee members interested in serving as the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson for 2012.

10. Express Lanes Update

Murali Ramanujam, Senior Transportation Engineer, provided a PowerPoint Presentation on the SR 237/I-880 Express Connectors Project, highlighting the current roadway and traffic conditions and project details.

Members of the Committee made the following comments: 1) expressed concern regarding express lane users not being allowed to access North First Street from the westbound direction and the possible public perception of not providing access;

2) expressed concern regarding added congestion due to future land use development in the area; 3) recommended the planning process for a North First Street exit begin right away to accommodate future congestion; 4) offered Silicon Valley Leadership Group (SVLG) assistance on outreach efforts to the business community; and 5) questioned the timeframe of VTA's outreach efforts to inform employers/public.

Members Elias and Morrow left the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Member Brownley left the meeting at 5:41 p.m.

On order of Chairperson Powers and there being no objection, the Committee received a report on the status of Express Lanes projects within Santa Clara County and other Express Lanes efforts within the Bay Area and California.

COMBINED CAC AND CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE ITEMS

11. Citizens Advisory Committee and Citizens Watchdog Committee Work Plans

Members of the Committee made the following comments: 1) requested a report on VTA's transportation planning pertaining to the Santa Clara 49ers Stadium; and 2) questioned the installation of solar panels at VTA facilities, anticipated amount of power to be provided by the solar panels, and cost savings to VTA.

Member Hadaya left the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

On order of Chairperson Powers and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the Citizens Advisory Committee and Citizens Watchdog Committee Work Plans.

OTHER

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Announcements.

13. ADJOURNMENT

On order of Chairperson Powers and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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