

Policy Advisory Committee

Thursday, February 12, 2009

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) was called to order at 4:03 p.m. by Chairperson Abe-Koga in Conference Room B-104 Valley Transportation Authority

(VTA), 3331 North First Street, San Jose, California.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Chris Moylan	City of Sunnyvale	P	
Kathleen King (Alt)	City of Saratoga	NA	
Cortese, Dave	SCC Board of Supervisors	P	
Michael F. Kotowski	City of Campbell	A	
Jason Baker (Alt)	City of Campbell	A	
Kris Wang	City of Cupertino	A	
Gilbert Wong (Alt)	City of Cupertino	A	
Perry Woodward	City of Gilroy	P	
Cat Tucker (Alt)	City of Gilroy	NA	
Megan Satterlee	City of Los Altos	A	
Vacant (Alt)	City of Los Altos	A	
Joe Pirzynski	Town of Los Gatos	P	
Diane McNutt (Alt)	Town of Los Gatos	NA	
Pete McHugh	City of Milpitas	A	
Vacant (Alt)	City of Milpitas	A	

Marshall Anstandig	City of Monte Sereno	P	
Curtis Wright (Alt)	City of Monte Sereno	NA	
Steve Tate (Alt)	City of Morgan Hill	NA	
Marby Lee	City of Morgan Hill	P	
Margaret Abe-Koga	City of Mountain View	P	
Laura Macias (Alt)	City of Mountain View	P	
Pat Burt	City of Palo Alto	A	
Larry Klein (Alt)	City of Palo Alto	NA	
Kansen Chu	City of San Jose	P	
Joe Kornder	City of Santa Clara	P	
Jamie McLeod (Alt)	City of Santa Clara	NA	

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

Jim Lawson, Senior Policy Advisor, introduced VTA Chairperson Dolly Sandoval.

Chairperson Sandoval thanked the Committee for their hard work and service to VTA. She provided a brief overview regarding the regional transportation plan and invited the Committee to provide feedback to the Board regarding issues of concern.

Member Moylan requested clarification regarding issues of concern presented from committees to the Board. He recommended the Board provide feedback to the committees regarding those concerns. Chairperson Sandoval clarified the Board takes into consideration issues of concern from the committees.

John Ristow, Chief Congestion Management Officer, reported the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) requested staff provide a brief report to PAC regarding the Stimulus Package and its impacts to the regions, local streets, and road projects.

Chris Augenstein, Transportation and Congestion Manager, provided a brief overview regarding the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) projection assumptions forecasting future growth in the County for the next 25 years.

Mr. Lawson reported the Board approved the following at the February 5, 2009 Regular Meeting: 1) Construction contract of grading and track crossing improvements along the Union Pacific Railroad corridor between San Jose and Gilroy; and 2) Contract for armed and unarmed security and protective services.

5. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Abe Koga, reported she attended the Advisory Committee Enhancement (ACE) Task Force Meeting.

6. City Grouping Report

Member Woodward stated the Morgan Hill/Gilroy/Milpitas (MGM) City Grouping discussed the VTA City Group #4 representation on the VTA Board.

BUSINESS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS/ GENERAL MANAGER

CONSENT AGENDA

7. Minutes of January 8, 2009

M/S/C (Page/Pirzynski) to approve the Minutes of January 8, 2009.

8. Programmed Projects Quarterly Monitoring Report

On order of Chairperson Abe-Koga and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the Programmed Projects Quarterly Monitoring Report.

REGULAR AGENDA

9. Advisory Committee Enhancement (ACE) Update: February

Stephen Flynn, Senior Management Analyst, reported the ACE Task Force held its first meeting.

He stated the goal of the Task Force is to align and clearly define individual committee responsibilities, identify overlap and duplication, and maximize each committee's contributions to the VTA Board process as well as define its primary alignment with VTA's Standing Committees.

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

Mr. Flynn stated the next Task Force meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 25, 2009 at the River Oaks Campus.

On order of Chairperson Abe-Koga and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the Advisory Committee Enhancement Update: February.

10. PAC Advisory Committee Enhancement (ACE) Subcommittee Report

On order of Chairperson Abe-Koga and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the Advisory Committee Enhancement Subcommittee Report.

11. Revised Joint Development Policy

Bijal Patel, Deputy Director Joint Development, provided a report regarding the Revised Joint Development Policy. She discussed the background of the Program and stated the Congestion Management Agency (CMA) Division of VTA is responsible for managing the process of the development of underutilized real estate assets in VTA's real estate portfolio.

Member Pirzynski expressed concern VTA will assume the role of developer. Ms. Patel replied VTA's role is the stewardship of the real estate assets.

On order of Chairperson Abe-Koga and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the Revised Joint Development Policy.

12. Eco Pass Report

Gino Guevarra, Sales and Promotions Supervisor, provided a brief overview and background of the Eco Pass Program.

Mr. Guevarra noted the Eco Pass Program represents over 14 percent of Santa Clara County's workforce. The Eco Pass price is based on criterion of number of employees/residents and the proximity to VTA services.

On order of Chairperson Abe-Koga and there being no objection, the Committee received the Eco Pass Report.

Member Moylan left the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

13. SR 237/I-880 Express Lanes Project

Murali Ramanujam, Senior Transportation Engineer, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the SR/237/I-880 Express Lanes Project highlighting: 1) Silicon Valley Express Lanes Network and 2) Express Lanes Connectors with low cost near-term implementation to be completed by 2010.

Member Lee expressed her concern with the Express Lanes concept.

On order of Chairperson Abe-Koga and there being no objection, the Committee received the SR 237/I-880 Express Lanes Project.

OTHER

14. Committee Work Plan

Member Woodward stated the City of Gilroy will provide a presentation to PAC in March regarding transportation needs and priorities.

On order of Chairperson Abe-Koga and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the Work Plan.

15. Announcements

There were no Announcements

16. ADJOURNMENT

On order of Chairperson Abe-Koga and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 5: 35p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline F. Golzio, Board Assistant
VTA Board of Directors