

## Policy Advisory Committee

Thursday, November 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
Chris Moylan	City of Sunnyvale	A
David Whittum (Alternate)	City of Sunnyvale	A
Chuck Page	City of Saratoga	P
Kathleen King (Alt)	City of Saratoga	NA
Dave Cortese	SCC Board of Supervisors	A
Michael F. Kotowski	City of Campbell	P
Jason Baker (Alt)	City of Campbell	NA
Kris Wang	City of Cupertino	A
Gilbert Wong (Alt)	City of Cupertino	A
Perry Woodward	City of Gilroy	NA
Cat Tucker (Alt)	City of Gilroy	P
Megan Satterlee	City of Los Altos	P
Val Carpenter (Alt)	City of Los Altos	NA
Joe Pirzynski	Town of Los Gatos	P
Diane McNutt (Alt)	Town of Los Gatos	NA
Pete McHugh	City of Milpitas	P
Vacant (Alt)	City of Milpitas	NA
Marshall Anstandig	City of Monte Sereno	P
Curtis Wright (Alt)	City of Monte Sereno	NA
Marby Lee	City of Morgan Hill	P
Steve Tate (Alt)	City of Morgan Hill	NA
Margaret Abe-Koga	City of Mountain View	P
Laura Macias (Alt)	City of Mountain View	NA
Pat Burt	City of Palo Alto	A
Larry Klein (Alt)	City of Palo Alto	A
Kansen Chu	City of San Jose	A
Jamie Matthews	City of Santa Clara	P
Jamie McLeod (Alt)	City of Santa Clara	NA
Rich Larsen	Town of Los Altos Hills	P

**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, reported that VTA has completed track replacement work in Downtown San Jose at the intersection of Almaden and San Carlos Streets, and ridership has declined system - wide by 9 percent from September 2009.

Mr. Lawson provided an overview of the Board of Director's November 5, 2009 meeting.

Stephen Flynn, Senior Management Analyst, provided an update regarding the ACE Task Force meeting held November 10, 2009.

**5. Chairperson's Report**

There was no Chairperson's Report.

**6. City Grouping Report**

There was no City Grouping Report.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**7. Minutes of October 8, 2009**

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

**8. Proactive CMP Quarterly Report for July – September 2009**

Robert Swierk, Senior Transportation Planner, provided an overview of the staff report.

Committee members asked if VTA provides comment on land use mix as it pertains to congestion management and the reduction of automobile trips. Staff provided examples of VTA's comments.

Member Matthews expressed his support of the proposed 49ers stadium project in the City of Santa Clara.

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

## **REGULAR**

### **9. TFCA 40% Project Selection Criteria Revisions**

Marcella Renzi, Transportation Planning Manager, provided an overview of the staff report.

The committee members accepted the Technical Advisory Committee's (TAC) amendments to the staff report to language regarding bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

**M/S/C (Satterlee/Page)** to modify the criteria used to evaluate and select projects for the Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) Program Manager Fund and review the status of ongoing Santa Clara County TFCA projects.

### **10. Memorandum of Understanding Between Council of San Benito County Governments and Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority for SR 152 Corridor**

John Ristow, Chief Congestion Management Officer, provided an overview of the staff report.

Committee members queried regarding the overall purpose for the project, the process for involvement of the PAC, long term funding options, financial responsibilities of VTA, and impacts the project could have on High Speed Rail in the corridor. Staff provided answers to all questions.

**M/S/C (McHugh/Page)** to authorize the General Manager for Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority to execute a Memorandum of understanding with the Council of San Benito County Governments to formalize the Mobility Partnership Committee to provide direction on the development of a SR 152 Trade Corridor and a new alignment of SR 152 and US 101.

### **11. Light Rail System Analysis – Cost Benefit Overview**

Kevin Connolly, Transportation Planning Manager, provided an overview of the staff report.

Committee members asked several questions regarding capital costs and ridership estimated for future light rail alternatives. Staff provided answers to all questions and stated discussion regarding phasing alternatives of the system will be provided to the committees in January 2010.

**On order of Chairperson Abe-Koga** and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the Light Rail System Analysis – Cost Benefit Overview.

## **OTHER**

### **12. Committee Work Plan**

The Committee reviewed the Work Plan.

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

**13. Announcements**

There were no Announcements

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**On order of Chairperson Abe-Koga** and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Office of the Board Secretary