

## Policy Advisory Committee

Thursday, January 14, 2010

### MINUTES

#### CALL TO ORDER

On general consensus, there being no objection the Committee appointed Member McHugh as Chairperson Pro Tempore. The Regular Meeting of the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) was called to order at 4:01 p.m. by Chairperson Pro Tempore McHugh in Conference Room B-104 Valley Transportation Authority (VTA), 3331 North First Street, San Jose, California.

#### 1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Jim Griffith	City of Sunnyvale	Present
David Whittum (Alternate)	City of Sunnyvale	N/A
Howard Miller	City of Saratoga	Present
Kathleen King (Alt)	City of Saratoga	N/A
Dave Cortese	SCC Board of Supervisors	Absent
Michael F. Kotowski	City of Campbell	Present
Jason Baker (Alt)	City of Campbell	N/A
Gilbert Wong	City of Cupertino	Present
TBD (Alt)	City of Cupertino	N/A
Cat Tucker	City of Gilroy	Present
TBD(Alt)	City of Gilroy	N/A
Megan Satterlee	City of Los Altos	Absent
Val Carpenter (Alt)	City of Los Altos	Absent
Joe Pirzynski	Town of Los Gatos	Present
Diane McNutt (Alt)	Town of Los Gatos	N/A
Pete McHugh	City of Milpitas	Present
TBD (Alt)	City of Milpitas	N/A
Marshall Anstandig	City of Monte Sereno	N/A
Curtis Wright (Alt)	City of Monte Sereno	Present
Marby Lee	City of Morgan Hill	Present
Steve Tate (Alt)	City of Morgan Hill	N/A
John Inks	City of Mountain View	Present
Jac Siegel (Alt)	City of Mountain View	N/A
Gail Price	City of Palo Alto	Present
Larry Klein (Alt)	City of Palo Alto	N/A
Kansen Chu	City of San Jose	Present
Jamie Matthews	City of Santa Clara	Present
Jamie McLeod (Alt)	City of Santa Clara	N/A
TBD	Town of Los Altos Hills	Absent

**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, provided an overview of the Board of Director's January 7, 2010 meeting. He announced Sam Liccardo is the new VTA Board of Director's Chairperson and Margaret Abe-Koga is the Vice Chairperson for 2010. Former PAC Committee members Rich Larsen, Chris Moylan, Chuck Page, and Perry Woodward have been appointed to the VTA Board of Directors.

Mr. Lawson commented that service changes went into effect on January 11, 2010.

**5. Chairperson's Report**

There was no Chairperson's Report. Chairperson Pro Tempore McHugh welcomed new committee members.

**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 December 10, 2009**

M/S/C (Wong/Wright) to approve the Minutes of December 10, 2009. Members Griffith and Price abstained.

**REGULAR**

**8. Conduct PAC Elections for 2010**

Chairperson Pro Tempore McHugh provided a brief overview of the Nominating Committee Report. He noted Jamie Matthew's nomination for PAC Chairperson for 2010.

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

The Committee opened nominations from the floor for PAC Chairperson 2010.

The Committee closed nominations from the floor for PAC Chairperson 2010.

**M/S/C (Wong/Kotowski)** to elect Jamie Matthews for PAC Chairperson 2010.

Chairperson Pro Tempore McHugh provided a brief overview on the Nominating Committee Report. He noted Joe Pirzynski's nomination for PAC Vice Chairperson 2010.

The Committee closed nominations from the floor for PAC Vice Chairperson 2010.

**M/S/C (Wong/Kotowski)** to elect Joe Pirzynski for PAC Vice Chairperson 2010.

**9. SR 237/I-880 Express Connectors – Operational Policies**

Murali Ramanujan, Senior Transportation Engineer, provided an overview of the staff report.

Some members of the Committee expressed concern regarding signage, the need for sufficient enforcement presence to minimize violation and, the need for adequate provisions for drivers to be able to move from the right side of the roadway to the left side of the roadway to use the Express Connector.

Some members of the Committee requested clarification regarding toll fees and revenue.

**On order of Chairperson Pro Tempore McHugh** and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the SR 237/I-880 Express Connectors – Operational Policies.

**10. Short Range Transit Plan 2010**

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

Some members of the Committee inquired about VTA's ability to transition to longer light rail trains, given the Vasona line's platform length constraints.

The members asked how the various Caltrain capital projects relate to the California High Speed Rail project.

The Committee recommended VTA be ready to move forward on projects if the financial projections turn out to be too conservative and the economy recovers faster than projected.

**M/S/C (Wong/Pirzynski)** to adopt the 2010 Short Range Transit Plan.

## **OTHER**

### **11. Committee Work Plan**

The Committee reviewed the Work Plan.

**On order of Chairperson Pro Tempore McHugh** and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the Work Plan.

### **12. Announcements**

There were no Announcements.

### **13. ADJOURNMENT**

**On order of Chairperson Pro Tempore McHugh** and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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