

CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM & PLANNING COMMITTEE

Friday, April 22, 2011

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Congestion Management Program & Planning Committee (CMPP) was called to order at 11:36 p.m. by Chairperson Page in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers, County Government Center, 70 West Hedding Street, San José, California.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Rose Herrera	Member	Absent
Chris Moylan	Vice Chairperson	Present
Chuck Page	Chairperson	Present
Ken Yeager	Member	Present
Marshall Anstandig	Alternate Member	N/A
Nancy Pyle	Alternate Member	Absent
Jamie Matthews	Alternate Member	N/A
George Shirakawa	Alternate Member	N/A

* Alternates do not serve unless participating as a Member.

A quorum was not present and a Committee of the Whole was declared.

2. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

There were no Public Presentations.

3. ORDERS OF THE DAY

Chairperson Page requested that Agenda Item #19, Chairperson's Report, be heard at the beginning of the Agenda.

On order of Chairperson Page and there being no objection, the Committee of the Whole accepted the Orders of the Day.

The Agenda was taken out of order.

OTHER ITEMS

19. Chairperson's Report

Member Yeager took his seat at 11:41 a.m. and a quorum was declared.

Tom Fitzwater, Environmental Planning Manager, provided an update on the Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) issue, highlighting: 1) City of Gilroy ceased its participation in the Habitat Conservation Plan on April 28, 2011; 2) Reported on the concerns of the County of Santa Clara and City of San Jose with regards to the Plan; and 3) Upcoming discussions involving HCP Management Team and Local Partners.

Vice Chairperson Moylan requested clarification on what is mandated and what is optional with regards to the Plan.

Staff noted when the item is brought back staff will also provide a report outlining all issues pertaining to each jurisdiction.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. Minutes of March 18, 2011

M/S/C (Moylan/Yeager) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2011.

REGULAR AGENDA

5. Noise Reduction Screening Study

Christina Jaworski, Senior Environmental Planner, provided an overview of the revised staff report.

M/S/C (Moylan/Yeager) to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to receive the results of the Noise Reduction Screening study and approve the changes in the process for evaluating the cost-effectiveness of sound walls for highway projects in Santa Clara County.

Agenda Items #6 and #15 were heard together.

6. VTP 2040 Preliminary Project Lists and **15. Valley Transportation Plan, Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategies Updates**

Chris Augenstein, provided a presentation, highlighting: 1) Valley Transportation Plan (VTP) 2035 Structure, 2) VTP Development; 3) The Project Lists; 4) VTP Next Steps; 5) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Level Discussions; and 6) RTP Next Steps.

Mr. Augenstein reported on the April 14, 2011 PAC and Cities Association of Santa Clara County Joint Meeting wherein a discussion was held with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) staff on the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS).

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

Member Yeager questioned if MTC would determine whether VTA's projects meets SB 375 standards and if VTA's projects would perform well under MTC's evaluation. Staff responded that it was unclear how MTC's targets would affect the projects' performance.

Vice Chairperson Moylan commented that staff should try to make the project list inclusive of all possible projects and queried if the list will continue to evolve. He requested that in the future staff highlight and explain the changes made on the revised Project Lists.

M/S/C (Yeager/Moylan) to approve Agenda Items #6 and #15 as follows:

6. **M/S/C (Yeager/Moylan)** to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to approve the Valley Transportation Plan (VTP) 2040 Preliminary Project List for submittal to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).
15. **M/S/C (Yeager/Moylan)** to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to receive an update on the Valley Transportation Plan, Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy activities.

7. **FY 2012 and FY 2013 CMP Work Program**

John Ristow, Chief Congestion Management Agency (CMA) Officer, provided an overview of the staff report, highlighting the changes made to the Congestion Management Program Work Program. He provided a handout which addressed questions/requests from the CMPP and Technical Advisory Committees at their March 2011 meetings.

M/S/C (Moylan/Yeager) to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to approve the Fiscal Year 2012 and Fiscal Year 2013 Congestion Management Work Program.

8. **SR 237/I-880 Express Connectors for Tolling Management, Enforcement and Cooperative Agreements**

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

Member Yeager questioned if there were other agreements that would be needed for the project. Staff responded that all agreements with outside agencies were noted in the Board Memorandum, noting that the Committee will be provided other items relating to the approval of operational procedures and award of the roadway contract for the SR 237/I-880 Express Connectors project.

M/S/C (Moylan/Yeager) to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to authorize the General Manager to execute agreements with the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) for toll collections and customer service support, California Highway Patrol (CHP) for enforcement and California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for maintenance for the SR 237/I-880 Express Connectors project.

Agenda Items #9 and #10 were heard together.

9. Local Program Reserve Reallocation and
10. US 101 Express Lanes Contract Amendment

Marcella Rensi, Transportation Planning Manager, provided an overview of the staff reports.

M/S/C (Yeager/Moylan) to approve Agenda Items #9 and #10 as follows:

9. **M/S/C (Yeager/Moylan)** to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to approve reallocation of Local Program Reserve (LPR) savings of \$3.8 million to the US 101 Express Lanes Project.
10. **M/S/C (Yeager/Moylan)** to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to authorize the General Manager to execute a contract amendment with URS Corporation to complete the Project Approval and Environmental Documentation (PA&ED) services for the US 101 Express Lanes Project for up to \$2,800,000 for a total contract value not-to-exceed \$4,300,000.

Agenda Items #11 and #12 were heard together.

11. Amend Ramp Metering Project Funding Agreement: I-280 Corridor and
12. Contract Amendment I-280 Corridor Ramp Metering Project

David Kobayashi, Senior Transportation Planner, provided overview of the staff reports.

M/S/F (Yeager/Page) on a vote of 2 ayes 1 no and 0 abstentions to approve Agenda Items #11 and #12 as follows:

11. **M/S/F (Yeager/Page)** on a vote of 2 ayes 1 no and 0 abstentions to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to authorize the General Manager to amend the existing funding agreement with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for an additional \$600,000 for a new total of \$2,651,000 and extend the agreement to cover all freeway corridors in Santa Clara County. Vice Chairperson Moylan opposed.
12. **M/S/F (Yeager/Page)** on a vote of 2 ayes 1 no and 0 abstentions to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to authorize the General Manager to amend the contract with Mark Thomas & Company in an amount not to exceed \$472,000, for a new contract value of \$1,716,677 for engineering services to implement ramp metering for I-280 Corridor Ramp Metering Project. Vice Chairperson Moylan opposed.

Vice Chairperson Moylan withdrew his vote opposing Agenda Items #11 and #12.

Vice Chairperson Moylan commented that although ramp metering improves freeway traffic, the congestion is not alleviated and is transferred onto city streets.

NOTE: M/S/F MEANS MOTION SECONDED AND FAILED.

Vice Chairperson Moylan recommended that on-ramp delay information be included in ramp metering "After" studies for the southbound US 101 and southbound I-880 corridors, succeeding past "After" studies for the SR 85 and SR 87 corridors.

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13. **2011 Second Cycle Lifeline Transportation Program Grant Awards**

Mr. Ristow provided a brief overview of the staff report.

M/S/C (Yeager/Moylan) to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to approve the programming of Lifeline Transportation Program funds for the following projects: 1) Family Transportation Services Program - \$409,913; 2) Ways to Work Family Loan Program - \$273,276; and 3) Santa Clara-Alum Rock Rapid Transit Bus Purchase - \$10,000,000.

14. **Caltrans CBTP Grant Local Resolution-Tamien Station Area Study**

Mr. Ristow provided a brief overview of the staff report.

M/S/C (Yeager/Moylan) to approve submitting a recommendation to the Board of Directors to adopt a resolution authorizing the filing and execution of grants under the Caltrans Community-Based Transportation Planning grant through Caltrans Transportation Planning Grants program for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

OTHER ITEMS (Continued)

16. **Items of Concern and Referral to Administration**

Chairperson Page requested that the CMPP Chairperson's Report reflect that Member Herrera was not in attendance at today's meeting.

17. **Committee Work Plan**

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

18. Committee Staff Report

Mr. Ristow provided a written report to the Committee containing information on local events, MTC, State and Federal activities, and VTA CMA. He highlighted the following: 1) Issuance of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) letter authorizing the BART extension to Berryessa Station in San Jose to enter the Final Design Phase, allowing VTA to pursue federal New Starts funding for the project.

20. Determine Consent Agenda for the May 5, 2011 Board of Directors Meeting

CONSENT:

Agenda Item #5. Receive the results of the Noise Reduction Screening study and approve the changes in the process for evaluating the cost-effectiveness of sound walls for highway projects in Santa Clara County.

Agenda Item #6. Approve the Valley Transportation Plan (VTP) 2040 Preliminary Project List for submittal to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).

Agenda Item #7. Approve the Fiscal Year 2012 and Fiscal Year 2013 Congestion Management Work Program.

Agenda Item #8. Authorize the General Manager to execute agreements with the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) for toll collections and customer service support, California Highway Patrol (CHP) for enforcement and California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for maintenance for the SR 237/I-880 Express Connectors project.

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Agenda Item #14. Adopt a resolution authorizing the filing and execution of grants under the Caltrans Community-Based Transportation Planning grant through Caltrans Transportation Planning Grants program for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

Agenda Item #15. Receive an update on the Valley Transportation Plan, Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy activities.

REGULAR:

Agenda Item #11. Authorize the General Manager to amend the existing funding agreement with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for an additional \$600,000 for a new total of \$2,651,000 and extend the agreement to cover all freeway corridors in Santa Clara County.

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21. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Announcements.

22. ADJOURNMENT

On order of Chairperson Page and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracene Y. Crenshaw, Board Assistant
Office of the Board Secretary