

1. CALLED TO ORDER at 5:38 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Campos, Chu, Cortese, Gage, Kerr, Kniss, Liccardo, Macias, Reed, Sandoval, Sellers, Williams

Board Members Absent: None

Alternate Board Members Present: Caserta

Alternate Board Members Absent: Chirco, King,

Ex-Officio Board Member Present: Yeager

Ex-Officio Board Member Absent: McHugh

* Alternates do not serve unless participating as a Member.

A quorum was present.

3. ORDERS OF THE DAY

Chairperson Chu **requested** the following changes to the order of the Board of Directors Agenda: **Agenda Item # 14.**, Discuss the Comprehensive Operations Analysis: Draft Proposed Service Operating Plan to be heard before **Agenda Item #13.**, Adopt a resolution authorizing the General Manager or his designee to take all necessary actions to offer, via competitive or negotiated sale, up to \$33 million of Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, 2007 Series A (2007 Refunding Bonds) to refund all or a portion of VTA's Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, 1997 Series A and to pay the costs of issuance, provided the aggregate net present value benefit equals or exceeds 3 percent.

Chairperson Chu **announced** that the Board meeting would be adjourned in memory of the recently deceased VTA employees Marilyn Torgersen, Antwaine Day, and Charles "Chuck" Flores.

Accepted Orders of the Day.

4. AWARDS AND COMMENDATIONS

A. Employees of the Month for April 2007

Recognized Mary Lawrence, Accountant Assistant, River Oaks Administration; Jeanette Allen, Coach Operator, Cerone Operations; and Concepcion "Charlie" Huerta, Substation Maintainer, Way, Power & Signal Maintenance, as Employees of the Month for April 2007, and Cathy Hendrix, Senior Management Analyst, Protective Services, River Oaks, as Supervisor of the Quarter for the second quarter of 2007.

Employee of the Year for 2006

Recognized Mida Smith, Vehicle Maintenance Scheduler, North Division, as Employee of the Year for 2006.

B. Resolution of Commendation for Former Ex-Officio Board Member John McLemore

Approved Resolution of Commendation No. 07.04.08 for former VTA Ex-Officio Board Member John McLemore.

5. Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) Chairperson's Report

Chris Moylan, PAC Chairperson **provided** a report regarding the March 10, 2007 PAC Meeting and noted the following: 1) PAC unanimously recommended that the Board of Directors approve a revised scope and grant amount for the City of San Jose's Auto Repair Assistance Program (ARAP) and issue a new call for projects for the Lifeline Transportation Program; 2) Unanimously agreed to invite members of the Citizens Advisory Committee to a future PAC meeting; and 3) Received a presentation on fiduciary responsibilities.

6. REPORT FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Michael T. Burns, General Manager, **provided a report**, noting the following: 1) Update on the VTA Budget preparation progress and finalization of the draft budget proposal for the Board Workshop meeting on April 27, 2007; 2) Cancellation of the May 18, 2007 and August 17, 2007 Board Workshops; 3) Announced May 17, 2007 as Bike to Work Day; 4) Provided ridership updates; 5) Response to Director Reed's open government initiative recommendations agenda for the April 19, 2007 Administration and Finance Committee; 5) Presentation of the Joint Development Workshop data and information will take place at the April Administration and Finance Committee; and 6) Introduced federal lobbyist Susan Lent.

Susan Lent, federal lobbyist with the firm Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld (Akin Gump) **provided**, a report to the Board of Directors.

7. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Chairperson Chu **provided a report** highlighting: 1) The receipt of the Organizational and Financial Assessment from the Hay Group with their assessment of VTA's organization, governance and finance; 2) Reconvened Project Advisory Committee and reappointed Directors Gage, Kniss, Sandoval, Williams, and Chu to resume their roles as Committee members; 3) Discussed role of the General Manager at Board meetings; and 4) Discussion of Project Advisory Committee membership at the May Board of Directors meeting.

8. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Martin Bishop, Interested Citizen, **congratulated** Director Reed on his successful mayoral election and **requested** the formation of a task force to research and develop alternative securement devices for buses.

Eugene Bradley, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Riders Union, **commended** the work of the Hay Group and **expressed concern** that there were no formal announcements regarding traffic route alternatives during the recent basketball tournament in San Jose

Bob Shaw, Interested Citizen, **noted** his appreciation of bus operators.

James Wightman, Interested Citizen, **inquired** about the opening of the Santa Clara Light Rail Station and the extension of Line 180 to Great America.

CONSENT AGENDA

9. M/S/C (Campos/Kniss) to **approve** the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors' Meeting of March 1, 2007.
10. M/S/C (Campos/Kniss) to **approve** the Minutes of the Board of Directors' Workshop Meeting of March 23, 2007.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

There were no items submitted for the Consent Agenda by the Administration and Finance Committee.

CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

There were no items submitted for the Consent Agenda by the Congestion Management Program and Planning Committee.

TRANSIT PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

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

Approve staff recommendations to implement the first phase of the Community Bus Program to make route and service modifications within the cities of Morgan Hill and Gilroy, operate small-capacity buses on Line 13, and bring specified VTA contracted shuttle services in-house effective on July 2, 2007, coordinated with the delivery of 20 new small-capacity Community Buses and the quarterly service change process.

12. **M/S/C (Campos/Kniss)** to approve a revised scope and grant amount for the City of San Jose's Auto Repair Assistance Program (ARAP) in the amount of \$75,000 and issue a new Call-For-Projects (CFP) for the Lifeline Transportation Program.

REGULAR AGENDA

11. **M/S/C (Gage/Reed)** to approve staff recommendations to implement the first phase of the Community Bus Program to make route and service modifications within the cities of Morgan Hill and Gilroy, operate small-capacity buses on Line 13, and bring specified VTA contracted shuttle services in-house effective on July 2, 2007, coordinated with the delivery of 20 new small-capacity Community Buses and the quarterly service change process.

Eugene Bradley, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Riders Union, **addressed** the Board of Directors.

Michael Ludwig, Interested Citizen, **addressed** the Board of Directors.

The Agenda was taken out of order.

CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – (See Agenda Item #20.B.)

There were no items submitted for the Regular Agenda by the Congestion Management Program and Planning Committee.

TRANSIT PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – (See Agenda Item #20.C.)
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14. **On order of Chairperson Chu**, the Board of Directors, **discussed** the Comprehensive Operations Analysis (COA): Draft Proposed Service Operating Plan.

The following individuals addressed the Board of Directors:

Aaron Morrow, Interested Citizen

Michael Ludwig, Interested Citizen

Eugene Bradley, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Riders Union

Nick Perry, Interested Citizen

Ross Signorino, Interested Citizen

Board Members Gage, Cortese, Liccardo left their seats at 7:05 p.m.
Board Member Sandoval and Ex-Officio Board Member Yeager left the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Board Members Liccardo and Cortese took their seats at 7:15 p.m.
Board Members Campos and Sellers left their seats at 7:16 p.m.
Board Members Campos, Gage, and Sellers took their seats at 7:20 p.m.

OTHER ITEMS

17. **On order of Chairperson Chu**, the Board of Directors, **received** a presentation on the proposed California High-Speed Train System by the California High-Speed Rail Authority (CHRSA).

Board Member Cortese left his seat at 8:15 p.m.
Board Member Cortese took his seat at 8:20 p.m.
Board Member Gage left the meeting at 8:32 p.m.
Board Member Campos left her seat at 8:33 p.m.
Board Member Kerr left his seat at 8:35 p.m.

Board Members Campos and Kerr took their seats at 8:40 p.m.

15. **M/S/C (Liccardo/Kniss)** to authorize the General Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Karen Antion Consulting, LLC, to provide professional services in support of the implementation of recommendations contained in the Organizational and Financial Assessment of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, for an amount up to \$150,000 with a more detailed scope of work to be submitted to the Board of Directors at their June 7, 2007 meeting.

Aaron Morrow, Interested Citizen, **addressed** the Board of Directors.

16. **M/S/C (Kniss/Reed)** to authorize the General Manager to execute a contract with AccountAbilities, Inc., to provide professional services, including a senior financial manager, to implement financial management recommendations contained in the Organizational and Financial Assessment of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority. Professional financial management services will be provided for a period of up to 39 weeks and for an amount up to \$530,400, from April 9, 2007, through January 4, 2008. Services may be terminated at any time at the discretion of the General Manager.

Eugene Bradley, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Riders Union, **addressed** the Board of Directors.

REGULAR AGENDA (continued)

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – (See Agenda Item #20.A.)

13. **M/S/C (Kniss/Reed)** to adopt **Resolution No. 07.04.09** to authorize the General Manager or his designee to take all necessary actions to offer, via competitive or negotiated sale, up to \$33 million of Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, 2007 Series A (2007 Refunding Bonds) to refund all or a portion of VTA's Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, 1997 Series A and to pay the costs of issuance, provided the aggregate net present value benefit equals or exceeds 3 percent.

Board Member Cortese left the meeting at 9:32 p.m.

OTHER ITEMS (continued)

18. **ITEMS OF CONCERN AND REFERRAL TO ADMINISTRATION**

There were no Items of Concern and Referral to Administration.

19. **MONTHLY LEGISLATIVE HISTORY MATRIX**

Accepted as contained in the Agenda Packet.

20. **SUMMARY MINUTES FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

A. **Administration and Finance Committee**

Accepted the March 15, 2007 Summary Minutes as contained in the Agenda packet.

B. **Congestion Management Program and Planning**

Accepted the March 15, 2007 Notice of Cancellation as contained in the Agenda packet.

C. **Transit Planning and Operations Committee**

Accepted the March 21, 2007 Summary Minutes as contained in the Agenda packet.

21. **REPORTS (UNAPPROVED MINUTES) FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

A. **Committee for Transit Accessibility (CTA)**

Accepted the March 7, 2007 Minutes as contained in the Agenda packet.

B. **Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)**

Accepted the March 7, 2007 Minutes as contained in the Agenda packet.

C. **Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)**

Accepted the March 7, 2007 Minutes as contained in the Agenda packet.

D. **Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)**

Accepted the March 8, 2007 Minutes as contained in the Agenda packet.

E. **Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)**

Accepted the March 8, 2007 Minutes as contained in the Agenda packet.

22. **REPORTS FROM JOINT POWERS BOARDS (JPBs) & REGIONAL COMMISSIONS**

Chairperson Chu **advised** the Board of Directors that the Reports from the Joint Powers Boards (JPBs) & Regional Commissions were placed in front of them on the dais.

A. **Peninsula Corridor JPB**

B. **Capitol Corridor JPB**

C. **Dumbarton Rail Corridor Policy Committee**

D. **Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)**

23. **REPORTS FROM VTA POLICY ADVISORY BOARDS (PABs)**

A. **Vasona Light Rail PAB**

There was no report from the Vasona Light Rail PAB.

B. **Silicon Valley Rapid Transit Corridor PAB**

There was no report from the Silicon Valley Rapid Transit Corridor PAB.

C. **Downtown East Valley PAB**

Chairperson Chu **advised** the Board of Directors that the Downtown East Valley PAB report was placed in front of them on the dais.

D. **Highway PAB – South**

There was no report from the Highway PAB – South.

E. **I-680 Sunol SMART Carpool Lane Policy Advisory Committee**

Chairperson Chu **advised** the Board of Directors that the Report for the I-680 Sunol SMART Carpool Lane Policy Advisory Committee was placed in front of them on the dais.

24. ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION at 9:39 p.m.

Existing Litigation - Conference with General Counsel
[Government Code Section 54956.9(a)]

Name of Case: Bernabe Guillen v. Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
Superior Court Case No. 106CV059751

RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION at 9:45 p.m.

25. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Existing Litigation - Conference with General Counsel
[Government Code Section 54956.9(a)]

Name of Case: Bernabe Guillen v. Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
Superior Court Case No. 106CV059751

Suzanne Gifford, General Counsel, **reported** that the Board of Directors convened in Closed Session and **approved** a settlement and details of the settlement would be available for public review when agreed to by the other party.

26. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Announcements.

27. ADJOURNED at 9:46 p.m. in Memory of Marilyn Torgerson, Antwaine Day, and Charles "Chuck" Flores.