



TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, August 9, 2007

Conference Room B-104
Valley Transportation Authority (VTA)
3331 North First Street
San Jose, California 95134

SUMMARY MINUTES

1. **CALLED TO ORDER** at 1:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Members Present: Batra, Cherbone, Collen, Dey, Rowe, Tripousis, Witthaus

Members Absent: Armendariz, Coss-Fitzwater (Ex-Officio), Jenkins, Kass, Likens, Qualls, Rohani, Siebert, Taubeneck (Ex-Officio)

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**

There were no Orders of the Day.

4. **Committee Staff Report: Staff introduced new Board Assistant Paula Perez.**

- **Quarterly Report from the General Manager**

The Committee of the Whole heard a report regarding the following: 1) success of VTA service at the Grand Prix; 2) fare reductions for Senior, Youth and Disabled; 3) commencement of Community Bus Service in the Cities of Morgan Hill and Gilroy; 4) completion of 87 High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane construction, event to be held at Virginia Street, August 15, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.; 5) final sign-off on agreements with the County on the Measure B programs; 6) update on major projects; 7) resolution of Right-Of-way purchase agreement with BART; 8) introduction of study of Caltrain improvements along the Right-Of-Way; 9) implementation of

recommendations from the Hay Group report; 10) report that VTA's credit rating has been upgraded and debt has been reduced by \$54 million; 11) creation of BART project office; and 12) update on the Comprehensive Operations Analysis (COA).

The Committee of the Whole requested an overall funding and timeframe update on the BART project.

5. **Chairperson's Report**

Chairperson Dey announced that the November TAC meeting will take place at Gilroy's new Police Facility, maps and parking information will be forthcoming.

Chairperson Dey expressed concern about the lack of membership at today's TAC meeting and advised he would be sending a memo to TAC members stressing the importance of attendance at meetings.

6. **Reports from TAC Working Groups**

- **Capital Improvement Program (CIP)**

Staff provided a report on the Tuesday, July 24, 2007 CIP Working Group meeting, noting that the CIP had an ongoing discussion on Local Streets and County Roads Planning and Program. It was also noted that discussions would continue August 21, 2007.

- **Systems Operations & Management (SOM)**

There was no report from the Systems Operations & Management (SOM) Working Group.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

7. **The Committee of the Whole deferred** the Minutes of April 12, 2007.
8. **The Committee of the Whole received** the Summary Minutes of May 10, 2007.
9. **The Committee of the Whole received** the Summary Minutes of July 12, 2007.
10. **The Committee of the Whole received** the Projects Quarterly Monitoring report Summary.
11. **The Committee of the Whole received** the Proactive CMP Reviewed and Approved Projects Quarterly Status Report April through June 2007.

REGULAR AGENDA

12. **The Committee of the Whole received** a report regarding the project programming of \$3,430,612 in Community Design & Transportation (CDT) Program Capital Grants to Projects.
13. **The Committee of the Whole deferred** recommending that the VTA Board of Directors approve project priorities for FY 2007/08 Local Streets & County Roads Capital Program.
14. **The Committee of the Whole deferred** recommending the process for selecting project review and scoring committees for VTA Congestion Management Program Discretionary Funding programs that specify committee membership and participation.

The Committee of the Whole requested that staff provide a report back, with several options for the TAC to consider on the process for selecting project review and scoring committees for VTA Congestion Management Program Discretionary Funding programs.

15. **The Committee of the Whole received** an update from the High Speed Rail Authority, on the Regional Rail and High Speed Rail **highlighting:** 1) proposed rail expansion; 2) review of alternative plans; 3) Caltrain Project 2025; 4) Resolution 3434; 5) two workshops on Regional Rail, August 24, 2007 at 70 West Hedding St. in San Jose, first workshop from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., the second workshop from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and 6) hearing August 24, 2007, in the Council Chambers at City Hall in San Jose, from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m.

OTHER

16. **Received** an update from the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Subcommittee.

Chairperson Dey announced that the TAC subcommittee would meet after the TAC meeting to discuss TAC priority items.

17. **The Committee of the Whole received** the Committee Work Plan.
18. **Announcements**

There were no announcements.

19. **Adjourned at 2:58 p.m.**