BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Thursday, May 6, 2010

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority’s (VTA) Board of Directors was called to order by Chairperson Liccardo at 5:35 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors’ Chambers, County Government Center, 70 West Hedding Street, San Jose, California.

1. ROLL CALL

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* Alternates do not serve unless participating as a Member.

A quorum was present

2. ORDERS OF THE DAY

There were no Orders of the Day.
3. AWARDS AND COMMENDATIONS

Employees of the Month for May 2010

Chairperson Liccardo recognized and presented an award to Charles Barber, Information Services Representative, Customer Service Department, Administration; and Isaac Tembrina, Transit Center Maintenance Worker, River Oaks Maintenance, as Employees of the Month for May 2010.

John Marini, Light Rail Operator, Guadalupe Operations Division, was unable to attend.

4. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Joyce Weissman, Interested Citizen, thanked VTA Staff for evaluating and accepting a petition for trial southbound trips on Bus line 63. She requested placing route addition information in the June and July VTA Take One and on the internet.

Alice Frayne, Interested Citizen, questioned if any action was taken regarding a concern expressed at the April Board meeting with regard to public access to the Board meetings.

Michael T. Burns, General Manager, indicated an email response was sent to her with a copy to the Board.

5. REPORT FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Michael T. Burns, General Manager, provided a brief report highlighting the following:

March ridership for 2010 was down 8.3 percent system wide when compared to March 2009. A decrease in ridership was projected due to the fare increase and service reductions, but a turnaround is expected soon. Partners are experiencing similar ridership declines. The Dumbarton Express was down 11 percent, Caltrain was down 1 percent and the Altamont Commuter Express decreased by 6 percent. The Hwy 17 Express showed some improvement with a ridership increase of 1.6 percent.

VTA is actively seeking ways to encourage public transit usage in the valley. Terry Firma, VTA’s mascot, visited shopping centers and restaurants throughout the county to conduct in-person surveys from non-riders questioning what it would take to get them to ride public transportation and asking for ways to improve the bus and light rail system. A “New Rider Ideas” forum has been launched on the VTA website and allows the public to submit their ideas online.

VTA received awards and special recognition for various projects and accomplishments. Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) presented VTA an award for efforts to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions. The Construction Management Association of America, Northern California Chapter, awarded VTA the project of the year for the State Route 152/156 Improvement Project, for excellence in construction management and project delivery. In addition, a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association was awarded to VTA for the comprehensive annual financial report.

The third annual Earth Day event was held at River Oaks and included more than 30
vendors. Chili and salsa contests, sheep herding demonstration showcasing the green lawn mowing program, and the production of VTA’s first Green Living Guide rounded out the list of activities.

VTA has several events planned for National Bike Month and staff designed the first edition bike jersey which was displayed by Jim Lawson, Government Affairs Manager. VTA will sponsor an energizer station at the Great Mall in Milpitas on Bike to Work Day. The Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) and the Silicon Valley Bike Coalition will conduct a celebratory ride for the second annual Over Under Tour, which showcases bridges and undercrossings in the county, including the Mary Avenue Bridge in Cupertino and the River Oaks Bridge along the Guadalupe Trail in San Jose.

At the May Caltrain Board meeting, Caltrain staff provided a look at capitol budgets. SamTrans Director, Mike Scanlon, indicated they will be unable to pay their full partner share for fiscal year 2011, reducing their contribution by 35%. Caltrain staff constructed their budget assuming other partners would be doing the same. VTA will work with partners see if there is a solution to address the shortfall.

The California High Speed Rail Authority has appointed a new Senior Executive, Roelef van Ark. He is currently the president of Alstom, USA which was a part of a larger company that built the bullet train system in France, and has more than 30 years of experience in the transportation industry.

Ex-Officio Board Member Yeager expressed concern about Caltrain and the impact on the other two partners due to SamTrans’ inability to pay its share.

Board Member Gage stressed the need of a permanent source of funding and the ability to work together and be creative to solve the issues.

Board Member Kniss commented on SamTrans’ commitments to BART, and San Mateo County’s vote against BART which has had some long range impacts as well.

Board Member Larsen questioned what action is being taken by Caltrain and what VTA can do to help.

Mr. Burns indicated Caltrain has put together a working group and VTA will be involved. This item will be agendized with Committees in May and will be presented to the Board in June.

Alternate Board Member McCHugh took his seat at 5:48 p.m.

A. **Report on the Joint Workforce Investment (JWI) Program**

Michael Hursch, Deputy Director Operations, provided a report and video on the Joint Workforce Investment (JWI) Program highlighting the career ladder, vacancies in entry level jobs, improved customer service, improved employee morale, and benefits of the program dedicated to health and wellness of operators.

Tom Fink, JWI Director, Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) commented on the success of the JWI program, noting the effectiveness and importance of continued
investment and professional development of the frontline workforce and the critical link between good health, stress reduction, and high performance service skills. He introduced several mentors, ATU Officers, and San Jose City College Staff who play a role in the program. Mr. Fink thanked Mr. Burns and the Board for their support.

B. Status Report on Property Acquisition Program for the BART Silicon Valley Project

Carolyn Gonot, Chief SVRT Officer, provided a report and presentation on the Right-of-Way (ROW) and Property Acquisition Program for the BART Silicon Valley Project highlighting the following; 1) Notifying property owners of possible relocation, 2) Assessing property value and compensation, and 3) Providing relocation benefits and assistance to displaced residents and businesses. She noted letters were sent to 15 property owners notifying them of possible relocation. Interviews with those owners will be set up over the next few months and VTA will gather information on impacted property owners. Updates will be provided to the Board during the upcoming months.

Public Comment

Chris DeMille, Interested Citizen, expressed concern with the Almaden Light Rail spur and the lack of a bus line 22 re-route downtown on Friday and Saturday nights due to the traffic congestion on Santa Clara Street.

Joyce Weissman, Interested Citizen, expressed appreciation for the JWI program noting she has spoken with mentors and new drivers in the program. She suggested follow-up be done with drivers who choose not to continue in the program.

Eugene Bradley, Interested Citizen, suggested SamTrans and VTA consolidate and create one transit system serving the edge San Francisco to Santa Cruz and down to Gilroy.

6. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Sam Liccardo, Board Chairperson, indicated there will be a very full Agenda for the June 3, 2010 Board meeting and the Board Secretary will be contacting members to confirm attendance. He requested the Board keep their calendars open for the June 25th meeting but the goal is to try and hear all of the items on the third.

Chairperson Liccardo provided a brief report on his recent trip to Washington, DC. He indicated VTA is sponsoring an effort for an appropriation bill for BART final design and the California delegation appears enthusiastic. However, the challenge will be with Congress as a whole as many appropriation bills will get held up due to climate-change legislation.

Technology in Transit

Gary Miskell, Chief Information Officer, provided a report on Technology in Transit highlighting the latest breakthroughs in Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS), and
benefits of deploying technology in transportation which include, customer convenience and satisfaction, enhanced safety and security, improved use of resources, and improved travel time.

Michael Hursh, Deputy Director, Operations, provided information on technology uses in Operations, highlighting the following: 1) Transit applications on vehicles, 2) Automatic announcements, 3) Global Positioning System, 4) Closed circuit television and cameras, 5) Fareboxes, 6) Bus signal priorities, 7) Emissions control with computer controlled exhaust system, and 8) Using technology to go green with solar powered bus shelters and weather based irrigation controllers.

Casey Emoto, Deputy Director, Project Development, provided information on technology usage in roadways/highways, highlighting: 1) Advanced traffic systems, 2) Parking management systems, 3) Electronic toll collection systems, 4) Using technology to do design work, and 5) VTA’s involvement in researching innovative technology for a multi-modal real-time travel information system.

Mr. Miskell provided additional information on future developments including the Real Time Transit Information Project which will give customers access to bus locations and prediction information via telephone, electronic signs, and the internet. Adding Wi-Fi on Light Rail vehicles is also being analyzed. VTA has Twitter, YouTube, and Facebook accounts for social networking and customers have developed applications for the I-Phone and Palm.

Board Member Larsen thanked staff for adopting Silicon Valley technologies and expressed his approval of the opportunity for the development of applications for VTA.


Board Member Gage provided an update on the recommendations and topics covered by the Ad-Hoc Financial Recovery Committee, highlighting: 1) VTA’s use of funds for transit operations costs, pension obligations, retiree medical, and medical benefits, 2) Silicon Valley Leadership Group’s letter and suggestions for addressing the deficit, 3) Report on Caltrain, Altamont Commuter Express (ACE), and Capitol Corridor, and 4) A presentation on VTA’s reserves and projections for future. Member Gage indicated at the upcoming meetings, the Committee will discuss suggestions by South Bay Labor Council and begin addressing specific policy recommendations to submit to the Board in August.

**Public Comment**

Alice Frayne, Interested Citizen, expressed concern with the possibility of dismantling the Outreach program noting her support of its services.

8. **Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Chairperson’s Report**

Charlotte Powers, Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Chairperson, thanked Michael Burns, General Manager, for being the guest speaker at the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) luncheon. Ms. Powers provided a report on the April
CAC meeting. Gary Richards, *Mr. Roadshow* San Jose Mercury News Columnist, was a guest speaker at the meeting and thanked him for taking the time to provide a report on the public’s transportation needs. The CAC approved the Light Rail Systems Analysis, and recommended a study of destinations in Santa Clara County that can best be served by light rail be completed. The Committee received a draft of the annual audit and there was some clarification needed, but it will be approved before the public hearing, which is scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 2010, at the County Government Center in the Board Chambers. Various agencies were notified of the hearing and announcements were placed in local newspapers, VTA’s website the May Take One, libraries, internet, and television.

9. **Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) Chairperson’s Report**

Chairperson Liccardo indicated the written report from the Policy Advisory Committee was contained on the Dais.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Board Member Reed abstained from the Consent Agenda and left the room.

Board Member Reed left his seat at 7:05 p.m.

10. **Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes of April 1, 2010**

M/S/C (Gage/Herrera) to approve the Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes of April 1, 2010.

11. **Fiscal Year 2010 Quarterly Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Period Ending December 31, 2009**

M/S/C (Gage/Herrera) to adopt a support position for AB 1670 (Beall), which authorizes the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to relinquish the following to the city of San Jose: (a) the portion of State Route 82 from U.S. 101 to I-880; and (b) the portion of State Route 130 within the San Jose city limits.

12. **Operations Program Insurance Renewal**

M/S/C (Gage/Herrera) to authorize the General Manager to purchase insurance coverage for Excess Liability, General and Auto Liability, Public Officials Errors and Omissions Liability, Property/Boiler and Machinery, Inland Marine for Light Rail Vehicles, Inland Marine for Buses, Vans and Mobile Equipment, and Flood exposures, for the annual Operations Program Insurance Renewal for an amount not to exceed $2,168,651.

**NOTE:** M/S/C MEANS MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED AND, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
13. **Communications Site Lease with ClearWireless LLC**

M/S/C (Gage/Herrera) to authorize the General Manager to execute a Communications Site Lease with ClearWireless LLC for a period of 5 years, rent to commence at $25,500/year with increases at 4% per annum, with the first 5 years' rent totaling $138,116. The lease contains four - 5 year options at VTA's discretion.

14. **State Proposition 116 Allocation Request**

M/S/C (Gage/Herrera) to adopt a resolution for a State Proposition 116 Allocation Request for $137,957 to the California Transportation Commission (CTC), and authorize the General Manager to execute the Fund Transfer Agreements upon their receipt from the state.

15. **Advantel, Inc. Contract Amendment**

M/S/C (Gage/Herrera) Authorize the General Manager to execute a contract amendment with Advantel, Inc. for telephone system and voice network maintenance. The contract amendment will extend the contract term for an additional six months for a cost of $100,000, for a new contract value of $904,080.

16. **Santa Clara Valley Habitat Conservation Plan**

M/S/C (Gage/Herrera) Approve the cost allocation in the amount of $910,092 for an increase of $129,525 and budget for the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Community Conservation Plan.

17. **Lifeline Proposition**

M/S/C (Gage/Herrera) to authorize the General Manager to submit an application for a total of $5,785,957 in state Proposition 1B funds for two Lifeline projects; authorize the General Manager to execute agreements with Caltrans as necessary to receive these funds; and authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Outreach & Escort, Inc. as needed to implement the Paratransit Vehicles and Equipment project.

18. **Sustainability Program Update**

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection the Sustainability Program Update was received.


M/S/C (Gage/Herrera) to review and receive the Audited Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2009 of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Retirees’ Other Post Employment Benefits Trust (Trust).
20. **Kato Road Flood Control Improvements**

M/S/C *(Gage/Herrera)* to authorize the General Manager to amend a construction contract with Gordon N. Ball Inc. to accommodate scope additions and construction change orders on the Kato Road Flood Control Improvements contract in the amount of $645,000 for a new authorized amount of $2,741,031. This contract is 100% funded by the 2000 Measure A Program.

21. **Transit Service Modifications**

M/S/C *(Gage/Herrera)* to approve the proposed transit service modifications to Community Bus Lines 11 and 34 to take effect on July 12, 2010.

22. **Design Services for Santa Clara-Alum Rock Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)**

Public Comment

Michael Ludwig, Interested Citizen, expressed concern that signal light priority is not given to express bus 522 and hopes this will provide more of a time savings to the Santa Clara Alum Rock BRT.

M/S/C *(Gage/Herrera)* to authorize the General Manager to execute a Cooperative Agreement with the City of San Jose for design services for traffic signals and street lights on the Santa Clara-Alum Rock Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project. The agreement shall be for a period of one year and for a total value not to exceed $152,000.

23. **Design Services for the Capitol Expressway Pedestrian Improvement Project**

M/S/C *(Gage/Herrera)* to authorize the General Manager to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the City of San Jose for street lighting and landscape design services for the Capitol Expressway Pedestrian Improvement Project. The agreement shall be for a one year period for a total value not to exceed $375,000, and is 100% funded by the 2000 Measure A Program.

24. **Wrigley Creek Improvement Project**

M/S/C *(Gage/Herrera)* to authorize the General Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Milpitas which conditions the use of City facilities for the Wrigley Creek Improvement Project.

25. **Systems Engineering Design Consultants**

M/S/C *(Gage/Herrera)* to approve sixteen engineering firms for Systems Engineering Design Consultant Services and authorize the General Manager to execute contracts with some or all of the selected firms to perform systems design services for light rail, facilities renovation and bus rapid transit projects. The list will be valid for a five-year period. The total amount of all contracts shall not exceed $5,000,000.
26. Master Agreement with City of San Jose for the BART Silicon Valley Project

M/S/C (Gage/Herrera) to authorize the General Manager to enter into a master agreement with the City of San Jose in support of the BART Silicon Valley Project. This agreement will include provisions to ensure a commitment of cooperation from both parties.

Board Member Reed took his seat at 7:08 p.m.
Board Member Kniss left her seat at 7:08 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

27. Design-Build Process for Silicon Valley Berryessa Extension (SVBX) Project

Carolyn Gonot, Chief SVRT Officer, provided a report of findings for Design Build Delivery of the Silicon Valley Berryessa Extension (SVBX) highlighting the following: 1) Total cost savings of design-build method predicted to be $85 million, 2) Reduced schedule of completion by 6 months, 3) The transfer of design and construction risks to contractor, 4) Reduction in administrative burden and reduced litigation, and 5) The information, experience, and recommendations received from other agencies through research and interviews. She provided a PowerPoint presentation entitled, “Silicon Valley Berryessa Extension, Design-Build Delivery Resolution of Findings.”

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*Silicon Valley Berryessa Extension*

**Design-Build Delivery Resolution of Findings**

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**Slide 2**

Authority to Award Design-Build Contracts

- California Public Contract Code (PCC) provides authority to VTA to award a design-build contract under best value criteria

**Design-Build by Best Value Procurement**

- PCC Section 20209.8
- Requires a finding that use of the design-build process will accomplish one of the following objectives:
  - Reduces project cost
  - Expedites the project’s completion
  - Provides design features not achievable through the design-bid-build method
- PCC Section 20209.8
- Authorizes a transit district to award a design-build contract to the responsible bidder whose proposal is determined to be the best value
- Best value use criteria is submitted prior to solicitation

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**Design-Build Delivery Evaluation: Cost Savings**

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**Adjusted Total for Design Build Approach**

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**Design-Build Delivery Evaluation: Reduced Risks**

- Design-build Cost Estimate is $86 million lower
- Design-build schedule is 6 months shorter
- Less “Risks”
  - Cost risk under design-build is $62 million lower
  - Schedule risk under design-build is 6 months shorter
- The Risk Profile shifts – Management Risks are the key
  - Design and construction risks are transferred to the contractor
  - Management risks are incurred by VTA but are easily mitigated if action is taken quickly
  - New opportunities arise and can be exploited if action is taken quickly

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A number of near term activities are scheduled including an industry forum for contractors, assembling of contract packages, and requests for qualifications and proposals, with an end result of selecting a highly qualified contractor in April 2012 to deliver the BART project.

Board Member Larsen questioned if design-build was used for Kato Road Flood Control Improvements or Route 152/156 Flyover project. Ms. Gonot indicated neither project was design build indicating the difficulty to do design build for highway projects.

Alternate Board Member McHugh, indicated his support of design-build, and requested reassurance there would be no financial impact to local cities.

Ms. Gonot indicated an agreement is forthcoming with the City of Milpitas and noted VTA will be assisting cities with the design review for the process.

**M/S/C (Gage/Herrera)** to adopt a Resolution finding that use of the design-build process for the Silicon Valley Berryessa Extension (SVBX) Project will reduce project costs and expedite the project's completion; and authorize the General Manager to proceed with the solicitation of design-build contractors for the SVBX Project.

Ex-Officio Board Member Yeager left his seat at 7:13 p.m.

### 28. **Light Rail System Analysis Improvement Plan**

Kevin Connolly, Transportation Manger, provided project background information on the Light Rail System Analysis Improvement Plan, which is aimed at making transit service more effective and efficient. The presentation focused on the following; 1) Peer comparison, 2) ABAG population growth, 3) Market analysis, 4) System improvements, and 5) Building ridership.

The proposal takes place in 3 phases. Phase I includes express trains in southern part of the system, integration of Almaden line into the system, and making the Winchester Line independent and ending in downtown San Jose. Phase II includes the integration of BART service in 2018 with a transfer center at the Montague Station and a new line bridging over the northern part of system along Tasman Corridor to Mountain View and Alum Rock. Phase III consists of independent system improvements including a grade separation on Montague and First Street, fencing on North First Street, and express train service from Downtown Mountain View during peak periods.

Mr. Connolly indicated meetings were held with various stakeholder groups over the course of 18 months. VTA Advisory Committees supported Phase I, and expressed concern about the timing of Phase II projects and additional operation costs. The Policy
Advisory Committee (PAC) requested a standard be set by the Board for cost per passenger to achieve a proper return on investment.

Board Member Moylan expressed concern with speed of the light rail travel versus driving. He questioned the peak hours of the proposed inter-modal station at Montague noting BART commute hours may be different and suggested that be taken into consideration.

Mr. Connolly indicated schedules can be developed to shift or expand peak hours as the market demands.

Board Member Moylan requested staff to consider a Modified T option to reduce the $28 million projected cost. He requested the option be added to the recommendation.

Board Member Kalra noted his appreciation for the efforts from staff with changes in Almaden, and hopes it will increase ridership.

Board Member Pyle thanked staff for looking at Almaden area noting comments from the public that they would take light rail if service was faster.

Board Member Herrera indicated she would like to see a light rail extension to Eastridge, but this is a great step forward. She expressed interest in learning more about Salt Lake City’s services and supports moving forward with the initial steps that do not require much capital to make the system more efficient.

Ex-Officio Board Member Chu indicated decreasing the travel time and accessing WiMAX on the system will make it better.

Chairperson Liccardo indicated tunneling was mentioned by the Technical Advisory Committee and in the staff report and questioned the costs.

Mr. Connolly indicated the idea was not embraced by the San Jose Downtown Association or city staff because the impacts were significant and two stations would be eliminated downtown which would be a negative hit to ridership.

Chairperson Liccardo commented on the differentiating marginal farebox returns between Phase I and Phase II improvements and questioned if the Board should be setting a standard so there is some clear guidance of what should and should not be taken on.

Mr. Connolly indicated the existing policy is 20 percent, but the Board could go back and revisit.

**Public Comment**

Michael Ludwig, Interested Citizen, expressed concern with express trains not stopping at Children’s Discovery Museum, and opposed constructing a new Great America station.

James Whiteman, Interested Citizen, likes the idea of speeding up light rail. He suggested putting Closed Circuit Televisions (CCTV) at all light rail stations.
Eugene Bradley, Interested Citizen, expressed concern with Caltrain transfer at Tamien Station. He requested staff place an emphasis on timing of transfers at key points.

M/S/C (Kalra/Pyle) to adopt the Light Rail System Analysis Improvement Plan and requested an analysis of the Modified T option.

OTHER ITEMS

29. ITEMS OF CONCERN AND REFERRAL TO ADMINISTRATION

There were no Items of Concern and Referral to Administration.

30. MONTHLY LEGISLATIVE HISTORY MATRIX

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the Monthly Legislative History Matrix was accepted as contained in the Agenda packet.

31. REPORTS (UNAPPROVED MINUTES) FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Administration and Finance Committee

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the April 15, 2010, Administration and Finance (A&F) Committee Meeting Minutes were accepted as contained in the Agenda packet.

B. Congestion Management Program and Planning Committee

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the April 16, 2010, Congestion Management Program and Planning (CMPP) Committee Minutes were accepted as contained in the Agenda packet.

C. Transit Planning and Operations Committee

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the April 15, 2010 Transit Planning and Operations (TP&O) Committee Minutes were accepted as contained in the Agenda packet.

D. Audit Committee

There was no Audit Committee meeting scheduled for April

32. REPORTS (UNAPPROVED MINUTES) FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES

A. Committee for Transit Accessibility (CTA)

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the April 7, 2010, Committee for Transit Accessibility (CTA) Minutes were accepted as contained in the Agenda Packet.
B. Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) and 2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC)

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the April 7, 2010, Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) and 2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC) Minutes were accepted as contained in the Agenda Packet.

C. Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the March 10, 2010, Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Cancellation notice was accepted as contained in the Agenda Packet.

D. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the April 8, 2010, Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Minutes were accepted as contained in the Agenda packet.

E. Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the April 8, 2010 Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) Minutes were accepted as contained in the Agenda Packet.

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

A. Peninsula Corridor JPB

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the May 6, 2010, Summary Notes from the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board were accepted as contained on the dais.

B. Capitol Corridor JPB

There was no report from the Capitol Corridor JPB.

C. Dumbarton Rail Corridor Policy Committee

There was no report from the Dumbarton Rail Corridor Policy Committee.

D. Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the April 28, 2010, Summary Notes from the Metropolitan Transportation Committee Meeting were accepted as contained on the dais.

E. Sunol Smart Carpool Lane Joint Powers Authority

On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the
April 12, 2010, Summary Notes from the Sunol Smart Carpool Lane Joint Powers Authority Governing Board were accepted as contained on the dais.

34. 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 & BART Warm Springs Extension PAB

   There was no report from the Silicon Valley Rapid Transit Corridor & BART Warm Springs Extension PAB.

   C. Downtown East Valley PAB

   There was no report from the Downtown East Valley PAB.

35. ANNOUNCEMENTS

   There were no Announcements.

36. ADJOURNMENT

   On order of Chairperson Liccardo and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50p.m.

   Respectfully submitted,

   Menominee L. McCarter, Board Assistant
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