

# Alameda County Transportation Commission **Commission Meeting Minutes** Thursday, January 31, 2019, 2 p.m.

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# 1. Pledge of Allegiance

#### 2. Roll Call

A roll call was conducted. All members were present with the exception of Commissioner Mei, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner King and Commissioner Thorne.

Commissioner Cox was present as an alternate for Commissioner Chan. Commissioner McQuaid was present as an alternate for Commissioner Carson.

# Subsequent to the roll call:

Commissioner Miley and Commissioner Mei arrived during Item 9.1

#### 3. Public Comment

There was a public comment made by Gayle Eads regarding the approval of the Student Transit Pass program for an additional five years. Ms. Eads also invited the Commissioners to attend an event at the Ella Baker Center in Oakland honoring Rosa Parks.

#### 4. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

# 4.1. Election of Commission Chair and Vice Chair: Approve the Election of the Commission Chair and Vice-Chair

A nomination was made by Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci to elect Supervisor Valle as Chair and Commissioner Cutter as the Vice Chair. Commissioner Kaplan seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following votes:

Yes: Arrequin, Bauters, Cox, Cutter, Dutra-Vernaci, Ezzy Ashcraft, Freitas,

Haggerty, Halliday, Haubert, Kalb, Kaplan, Marchand, McQuaid,

Nason, Ortiz, Saltzman, Valle

No: None Abstain: None

Absent: King, Mei, Miley, Thorne

# 5. Chair and Vice Chair Report

Chair Valle thanked the Commission for his appointment and welcomed new Alameda CTC members from Alameda and Albany. He also thanked departing Commissioner Dan Kalb for his service to the Commission, acknowledging that he will serve as an alternate after January. Chair Valle informed the Commission that the agency will have a set of corridor-specific project briefings to provide an update on project development to Commissioners who represent jurisdictions (and transit) along these corridors. He

concluded by providing brief updates on upcoming events, specifically upcoming legislative visits as well as the upcoming Commission Retreat in May 2019.

# 6. Executive Director Report

Art Dao noted that the Executive Director's Report can be found in the Commissioners folders. He stated that the Commission will have two legislative visits, one to Sacramento and one to Washington DC, and will also host a Commission Retreat. Mr. Dao introduced the new Deputy Executive Director of Projects, Gary Huisingh.

#### 7. Consent Calendar

- **7.1.** Approve the December 6, 2018 Commission Meeting Minutes
- 7.2. Approve the Alameda CTC meeting schedule for the 2019 calendar year
- 7.3. Approve Community Advisory Committee Appointment
- 7.4. I-580 Express Lanes: Monthly Operations Status Update
- 7.5. Congestion Management Program (CMP): Summary of the Alameda CTC's Review and Comments on Environmental Documents and General Plan Amendments Update
- 7.6. Federal, state, regional, and local legislative activities update
- 7.7. Development of the 2020 Countywide Transportation Plan Update
- 7.8. Measure B, Measure BB, and Vehicle Registration Fee Programs Update
- 7.9. Measure B and Measure BB Capital Projects Update
- **7.10.** Substitution of the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) Small Business Program in lieu of Alameda CTC Local Business Contract Equity Program
- **7.11.** Global Opportunities at the Port of Oakland Project (GoPort) (PN 1442000): Approval of Project Actions for the Construction Phase of the Freight Intelligent Transportation Systems Component of the GoPort Project
- **7.12.** Approve the Administrative Amendment to Grant Funding Agreement A13-0057 to extend agreement expiration date

Commissioner Bauters moved to approve the Consent calendar. Commissioner Saltzman seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following votes:

Yes: Arreguin, Bauters, Cox, Cutter, Dutra-Vernaci, Ezzy Ashcraft, Freitas,

Haggerty, Halliday, Haubert, Kalb, Kaplan, Marchand, McQuaid,

Nason, Ortiz, Saltzman, Valle

No: None Abstain: None

Absent: King, Mei, Miley, Thorne

#### 8. Community Advisory Committee Reports

8.1 Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

There was no one present from BPAC.

8.2. Independent Watchdog Committee (IWC)

Steve Jones, Chair of IWC, stated that IWC met on January 14, 2019. The committee received an update on Alameda CTC's Measure B and BB programs, capital projects, and direct local distribution compliance. He noted that the next meeting will be held on March 11, 2019.

#### 8.3. Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee (PAPCO)

There was no one present from PAPCO.

## 9. Planning, Policy and Legislation Committee Action Items

# **9.1. Update on Metropolitan Transportation Commission Housing Compact**Tess Lengyel introduced Ken Kirkey, MTC's Planning Director, who provided the Commission with a detailed update on the CASA Compact.

The Commission had a lengthy discussion on the item. A summary of requests for clarifications and comments were as follows:

Commissioners Ortiz asked if there will be any transit funding used for CASA and what the special districts are that are referred in the potential funding chart. Mr. Kirkey stated that there are no transit funds or special district funds identified to be shifted for the housing component of the compact and that the special districts referenced in the CASA materials are related to schools.

Commissioner Kaplan asked if legislation is needed for the potential funding sources and what agency will be responsible for funding the compact. Mr. Kirkey noted that majority of the potential funding sources will need some type of legislation to pass before being implemented and that the CASA compact element #10 includes a proposal for a new state law that to create a new entity made up of MTC Commissioners and ABAG members.

Commissioner Kaplan asked why there is a proposal for a return to source for the funding if the funds are regional. Mr. Kirkey noted that there are arguments that the job/housing imbalance needs to be addressed and one way to do that is by keeping funding within the county.

Commissioner Arreguin stated that the housing/transportation linkage formula for the allocation of funds proposal that places a condition for all transportation funding on housing production is not fair for counties that do not have an issue with the imbalance, specifically noting Alameda County which has the lowest imbalance in the region.

Commissioner Haubert suggested concentrating on employers who chose to come to areas where there isn't enough housing as opposed to local cities. He also requested a list of all steering committee members to make sure the entire Bay Area is included. Mr. Kirkey stated that it has been noted that there was not enough engagement of local government, which is why MTC is currently attempting to go out and engage all counties.

Commissioner Haubert asked who local city managers should contact to find out the direct potential financial impact of CASA for each city. Mr. Kirkey stated that MTC staff is working on a financial analysis and will also engage city managers on the local level.

Commissioner Halliday commented that there is an impression that ABAG and MTC have approved and endorsed the compact although the proposals have not been approved. She also noted that there are also a lot of misconceptions concerning Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) requirements.

Commissioner Marchand made comments on the infrastructure that needs to be in place to support the housing required in the compact, including water, schools and other local services.

Commissioner Bauters stated that the five elements of CASA that are very important and have a direct relationship to transportation are elements No. 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10. He summarized their relationship to transportation and noted the importance of continuing to monitor and consider action on these components as state legislation is introduced.

Several commissioners noted that they were not fully aware of the development of the CASA compact and reiterated the importance of working directly with cities and counties so they can be more engaged on the CASA effort.

This item is for information only.

### 10. Member Reports

#### 11. Adjournment

The next meeting is Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.