

**SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT (DISTRICT)  
1250 SAN CARLOS AVENUE, SAN CARLOS, CALIFORNIA  
MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING  
MAY 5, 2021**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** M. Fraser, J. Gee, R. Guilbault, R. Medina, D. Pine, J. Powell,  
**(Via Teleconference)** P. Ratto (Vice Chair), C. Stone (Chair)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** C. Groom

**STAFF PRESENT:** C. Mau, J. Cassman, D. Olmeda, A. Chan, J. Brook, D. Seamans

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Charles Stone called the meeting to order at 4:11 pm.

**2. CONSIDER RESOLUTION EXPRESSING WILLINGNESS AND DESIRE TO CONTRIBUTE FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 CALTRAIN CAPITAL BUDGET**– *Approved by Resolution No. 2021-19*

Carter Mau, Acting General Manager/CEO, introduced the resolution.

Director Dave Pine said that the future of Caltrain depends on SamTrans' capital contributions and that Caltrain cannot rely on Measure RR alone.

Director Rose Guilbault asked if other agencies besides SamTrans contribute. Chair Stone said that SamTrans is not bound to contribute \$5 million if the other agencies do not step up.

Director Jeff Gee said that deferring capital projects does not help. He said that constraining Caltrain will not allow them to grow ridership.

Chair Stone said that SamTrans has historically been able to contribute, and added that SamTrans cannot afford to not meet the obligation of having an electrified Caltrain.

Vice Chair Peter Ratto acknowledged that when Measure RR passed, it did not mean that SamTrans should no longer support Caltrain. He said he was in favor of the resolution.

Director Josh Powell said that it was vital for the District to continue to maintain investment in Caltrain infrastructure.

Director Guilbault said SamTrans has major expenses coming up with the purchase of zero-emission buses and updating the current bases, but that it still needs to support Caltrain.

Public Comment:

Roland requested that SamTrans directors support a reduction in Caltrain costs and an increase of revenues to boost Caltrain ridership.

Shotokan Karate noted the importance of capital funding.

Motion/Second: Guilbault/Gee

Ayes: Fraser, Gee, Guilbault, Medina, Pine, Powell, Ratto, Stone

Noes: None

Absent: Groom

**3. ADJOURN**

The Special Board meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm.

An audio/video recording of this meeting is available online at [www.samtrans.com](http://www.samtrans.com). Questions may be referred to the District Secretary's office by phone at 650-508-6242 or by email to [board@samtrans.com](mailto:board@samtrans.com).