

**San Mateo County Transit District (District)
1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, California**

**Minutes of Legislative Committee /
Committee of the Whole**

July 6, 2022

Committee Members Present: R. Medina (Chair), C. Groom

Committee Members Absent: C. Stone

Other Board Members Present Constituting Committee of the Whole: M. Fraser, J. Gee, R. Guilbault, D. Pine, J. Powell, P. Ratto

Other Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: C. Mau, J. Cassman, D. Olmeda, A. Chan, J. Brook, K. Scribner, D. Seamans

8.d.1 Call to Order

Committee Chair Rico Medina called the meeting to order at 3:11 pm.

8.d.2 Approval of Minutes of Committee Meeting of June 1, 2022

Motion/Second: Guilbault/Pine

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

Noes: None

Absent: Stone

8.d.3 State and Federal Legislative Update and Approval of Legislative Proposal: Support Assembly Bill (AB) 1919 (Holden)

Jessica Epstein, Manager, Government and Community Affairs, briefly summarized the highlights of recent federal and state legislation.

She said at the federal level both the House and Senate are in recess and scheduled to return on July 11 and July 12, respectively. She said that prior to the recess, the House Appropriations Committee approved their Transportation, Housing and Urban Development 2023 bill. She said for the Department of Transportation, the Fiscal Year 2023 bill is looking at \$105.4 billion in budgetary resources for both discretionary and mandatory spending.

At the state level, she said that the state legislature was in recess until August 8 and noted that Governor Newsom had approved a multi-year transportation package on June 30. She said that AB 1919 was previously an unfunded mandate to provide free youth fares and that after discussion with legislators, the bill changed from an unfunded mandate to a voluntary grant program. Ms. Epstein concluded by reviewing bills that SamTrans is currently monitoring.

The Board voted to support AB 1919:

Motion/Second: Gee/Fraser

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

Noes: None

Absent: Stone

8.d.4 Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm.

An audio/video recording of this meeting is available online at 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.