

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

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

February 1, 2023

Committee Members Present: R. Mueller (Chair), R. Medina

Committee Members Absent: None

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

Other Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: A. Chan, J. Cassman, S. van Hoften, J. Brook, M. Tseng, D. Seamans

10.b.1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Ray Mueller called the meeting to order at 3:10 pm.

10.b.2. Approval of Minutes of the Legislative Committee Meeting of January 4, 2023

Motion/Second: Medina/Chuang

Ayes: Canepa, Chuang, Fraser, Gee, Guilbault, Medina, Mueller, Powell, Ratto

Noes: None

Absent: None

10.b.3. State and Federal Legislative Update

Jessica Epstein, Manager, Government and Community Affairs, provided an update on recent federal and state legislation. She said at the federal level, the House committee assignments were finalized. She said the Treasury was using extraordinary measures to keep the nation solvent in light of the debt ceiling being reached. She reviewed the committee assignments at the state level. She said the Governor released his preliminary budget on January 10 and noted budget cutbacks on the horizon that would affect transportation agencies.

Director David Canepa asked about the state budget deficit's impact on operating capital. Ms. Epstein said they said there is ever-increasing competition for grant funds as various sources of funding shrink.

Chair Josh Powell had questions about the Brown Act changes and their effect on future meetings. Joan Cassman, Legal Counsel, provided a brief explanation and said she would be providing the Board with a cheat sheet to summarize the changes pending any potential changes at the state level.

Public Comment:

Roland noted that the Board members who were attending the meeting in person were the appointed members of the public.

10.b.4. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:24 pm.

An audio/video recording of this meeting is available online at <https://www.samtrans.com/about-samtrans/video-board-directors-cac-and-measure-w-coc>. Questions may be referred to the District Secretary's office by phone at 650-508-6242 or by email to board@samtrans.com.