

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

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

**May 3, 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. Powell, P. Ratto

Other Board Members Absent: J. Gee

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

**9.c.1. Call to Order**

Committee Chair Ray Mueller called the meeting to order 4:01 pm.

**9.c.2. Approval of Minutes of the Legislative Committee Meeting of April 5, 2023**

Motion/Second: Medina/Powell

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

Noes: None

Absent: Gee

**9.c.3. State and Federal Legislative Update and Approval of Legislative Proposal: Support Assembly Bill (AB) 557 (Hart)**

Jessica Epstein, Manager, Government and Community Affairs, provided an update on recent federal and state legislation. At the federal level, she said the House and Senate have been arranging appropriation committees and the debt ceiling continues to dominate budget negotiations. At the state level, she said the legislature had reconvened following their recess.

She noted that they are seeking Board support AB 557, which would codify AB 361 to increase the flexibility of agencies to meet remotely during designated states of emergency. She noted that AB 817, which the Board had supported at the last meeting and would have allowed remote participation for nondecision-making advisory bodies, had become a two-year bill. She said there were two AV (autonomous vehicle) bills which will affect how transit agencies incorporate AV technology.

Motion/Second: Medina/Powell

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

Noes: Mueller

Absent: Gee

**9.c.4. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 4:11 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](mailto:board@samtrans.com).