

**SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT (DISTRICT)
1250 SAN CARLOS AVENUE, SAN CARLOS, CALIFORNIA
MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JUNE 6, 2018**

MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Gee, R. Guilbault, Z. Kersteen-Tucker, D. Pine, J. Powell, P. Ratto, C. Stone (Chair)

MEMBERS ABSENT: C. Groom, K. Matsumoto

STAFF PRESENT: J. Hartnett, C. Mau, J. Cassman, S. van Hoffen, A. Chan, S. Murphy, D. Olmeda, D. Hansel, C. Fromson, T. Dubost, C. Gumpal, J. Brook

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Charles Stone called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Acting District Secretary Gumpal called the roll. A quorum was present.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- Approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of May 2, 2018
- Approval of Minutes of the Special Board of Directors Meeting May 2, 2018
- Acceptance of Statement of Revenues and Expenses for April 2018

RESOLUTION:

- Authorization of the Third Amendment of the Use, Operating, and Maintenance Agreement for the Millbrae Intermodal Station – Approved by Resolution No. 2018-19

Motion/Second: Gee/Guilbault

Ayes: Gee, Guilbault, Kersteen-Tucker, Pine, Powell, Ratto, Stone

Absent: Groom, Matsumoto

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Laura Parmer-Lohan, San Carlos, voiced her concerns about safe routes to school.
2. Kyle Velasco, Student at San Carlos Charter Learning Center, expressed his appreciation for the Route 95 bus service to the San Carlos Youth Center.
3. Andrew Boone, East Palo Alto, said he was dissatisfied with the bus plan and bicycle path options.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Student “Art Takes a Bus Ride” Contest

Chair Stone introduced Dan Lieberman, Public Affairs Specialist. Mr. Lieberman announced the winners of the contest, which is co-coordinated by the San Mateo Office of Education (SMCOE). The students took photos with their teachers and family members.

- Elizabeth Or

- Cadence Hood
- Miguel Martinez
- Isa Mahmood
- Valerie Lin
- Liam McCarroll

The Board recessed at 2:19 pm to meet the contest winners and see the bus wrapped in their artwork, and reconvened at 2:32 pm.

Get Us Moving Draft Investment Plan – Ad Hoc Committee

Director Pine, Get Us Moving (GUM) Ad Hoc Committee Chair, expressed his appreciation for the members of the committee.

Seamus Murphy, Chief Communications Officer, outlined the draft investment plan being developed as part of a potential sales tax measure for consideration on the November 2018 ballot. He thanked the individuals who helped provide feedback and guide the process, including the the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) and Stakeholder Advisory Group (SAG). He said the draft plan consists of:

- Initial core principles (goals adopted by Board)
- Additional core principles
- Spending categories (sample projects)
- Oversight (provided by independent committee)

The final proposed investment plan will be considered for adoption in July to go on the November ballot.

Mr. Murphy said that the Highway 101 managed lanes project is fully funded from SB 1 and would not receive funding from the potential GUM sales tax. He said that GUM would provide funding, however, for express buses using managed lanes.

Public Comment:

1. Don Cecil, San Mateo County Economic Development Association (SAMCEDA) & Peninsula Mobility Group, asked for the plan to allocate no less than 25 percent to the Highway category.
2. Carolina Webster, VP of Redwood City San Mateo County Chamber of Commerce, said she supported GUM with 50 percent going towards local transit, and including 25 percent for highway improvements.
3. Witney McKiernan, Menlo Park, talked about the need for increased bicycle safety for schoolchildren and said she supports priority for projects in cities that have opted into Vision Zero.
4. Sandra Lang, TEAMC, advocated 55 percent allocation going towards transportation systems.
5. Karen Molinari, San Carlos PTA Transportation Safety Committee, said that bus routes serving the schools have greatly reduced traffic congestion. She noted comments from students asking for better bicycle safety programs.

6. Ryan Evert, Student at San Carlos Charter Learning Center, asked to increase funding for more buses, bus stops, and routes.
7. Andrew Hsu, San Carlos, Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition Board Member, asked to increase bike/ped infrastructure spending to a minimum of 10 percent.
8. Gladwyn d'Souza, Sierra Club, asked for more funding for bicycle safety and transit. He noted that congestion is getting worse, so buses are slowed down.
9. Emily Beach, San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) director and Burlingame City Council member, said she recommended no more than 20 percent for the highway category and asked that complete streets be included for local highways. She advocated 15 percent going towards local congestion relief, with at least 5 percent for grade separations.
10. Chris Lepe, TransForm & TEAMC, made additional recommendations for amending the GUM core principles and advocated closer to 10 percent for bike/pedestrian and at least 55 percent for transit.
11. Christina Fernandez, SAMCEDA, said they supported the full 50 percent for local transit and no less than 25 percent for highway congestion improvement.
12. Andrew Boone, East Palo Alto, said he disagreed with highway expansion, stating that it goes against the District's goal of reducing greenhouse emissions.
13. Adina Levin, Friends of Caltrain and TEAMC, thanked the Board for their support and discussed turning the core principles of the plan into policies.
14. Theresa Vallez-Kelly, Safe Routes to School Coordinator, SMCOE, GUM Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAG) & TEAMC, asked to make Vision Zero a priority and to raise bike/ped project spending to 10 percent.
15. Baron Edwards, Student at Arundel School, San Carlos, said he supported maintaining safer sidewalks for pedestrians and cyclists.
16. Emma Schlaes, Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition & GUM SAG, said she advocated for more and better facilities for pedestrians, cyclists, and transit riders.
17. Eduardo Gonzalez, South San Francisco High School, introduced several students from South San Francisco High School.
18. James Jirachaiskul, Student at South San Francisco High School, Youth Leadership Institute, said their goal is to improve public transportation from the perspective of the youth in their community.
19. Julian Rodrigues, Student at South San Francisco High School, TEAMC & Youth Leadership Institute, said he has been riding transit for one year. He said that youth feel unsafe riding bicycles and that bus schedules don't always align with school schedules.
20. Annette Salgado, Student at South San Francisco High School, Youth Leadership Institute, said she has been a transit rider for five years and requested bus shelters and schedules to accommodate later school activities.

21. Montserrat Garcia, TEAMC & Youth Leadership Institute, said the plan's core principles should prioritize serving seniors, youth, and people with disabilities; reducing the cost of living; and increasing economic opportunity in the community.
22. Mindy Hill, San Carlos School District Wellness Director, stated that the core principles are embedded in Safe Routes to Schools and requested that bike/ped safety should be a priority, with minimum funding allocation of 10 percent.
23. Leora Ross, Housing Leadership Council of San Mateo County, said she supported incentivizing cities that build housing near transportation centers.
24. Diane Bailey, Menlo Spark Director & TEAMC, said she supported the goals of reducing greenhouse gases and vehicle miles traveled (VMT), and requested the allocation for public transit increase to 55 percent and the allocation for bike/ped to increase to 10 percent.
25. Emily Loper, Bay Area Council, asked that a 25 percent allocation go towards highway improvements with the goal of alleviating traffic congestion.
26. Paul Krupka, Redwood City 101/Woodside Road Interchange Project, said he advocated reducing congestion by addressing major traffic bottlenecks through safer and improved highway access and safer bike/ped circulation.
27. Helen Wolter, Committee for Green Foothills, requested that GUM include shuttles to and from the Coastside to align with the County's Local Coastal Program (LCP), and advocated 10 percent allocation to bike/ped needs.
28. Reese Isbell, California Life Sciences Association, requested more public transit infrastructure for South San Francisco business park commuters, including addressing last mile needs.

The Board recessed at 4:41 pm for a break and reconvened at 4:49 pm.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER/CEO

Acknowledgment of Roadeo Team

Jim Hartnett, General Manager/CEO, commended Ariel Hale and the bus Roadeo Team's success at the 2018 Bus Roadeo competition in Florida. He also commended Johnny Villanueva, Sim Bedi, and Anthony Singh for their first-place win of the Bendix Airbrake module competition.

Presentation of Annual Transportation and Maintenance Base Safety Awards

Mr. Hartnett commended the North Base bus transportation team represented by Superintendent Ana Rivas. He also commended the South Base bus maintenance team represented by Superintendent Vijendra Singh. Chair Stone presented the safety awards.

BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS/COMMENTS

None.

RECESS TO COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Board meeting recessed at 4:55 pm.

Director Kersteen-Tucker left at 4:55 pm.

RECONVENE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Board meeting reconvened at 5:27 pm.

MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Director Ratto reported the following item:

SUBJECT DISCUSSED:

- Paratransit Coordinating Council Update

MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: FINANCE COMMITTEE

Director Guilbault led the Board in voting on the following resolutions:

RESOLUTIONS:

- Approving and Ratifying the Insurance Program for Fiscal Year 2019 – Approved by Resolution No. 2018-20
- Electing to Become Subject to the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures Set Forth in the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act and Directing Staff to Notify the State Controller of this Election – Approved by Resolution No. 2018-21
- Awarding Contracts to Corey, Canapary & Galanis and EMC Research, Inc., for Provision of On-call Market Research and Survey Services for a Five-year Term for an Aggregate Not-to-exceed Amount of \$1,225,000 – Approved by Resolution No. 2018-22
- Adopting Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget in the Amount of \$159,207,813 and Capital Budget in the Amount of \$7,275,385 – Approved by Resolution No. 2018-23
- Declaring an Emergency for the Replacement of Main Boiler Flue at Central Facility and Ratifying an Emergency Purchase Order to MTECH in the Amount of \$17,922 – Approved by Resolution No. 2018-24

Motion/Second: Guilbault/Stone

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

Absent: Groom, Kersteen-Tucker, Matsumoto

MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: STRATEGIC PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE/ COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE*

Director Powell led the Board in voting on a proclamation and resolution, and made a report on the subject discussed.

MOTION:

- Proclamation of June 21, 2018 as National Dump the Pump Day

Motion/Second: Stone/Pine

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

Absent: Groom, Kersteen-Tucker, Matsumoto

SUBJECT DISCUSSED:

- Capital Projects Quarterly Status Report – Q3 FY 2018

RESOLUTION:

Authorizing an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement for Study of Potential Redevelopment and Operation of the Dumbarton Rail Corridor with a Limited Liability Corporation or Other Such Entity to be Formed by Facebook, Inc., and Plenary Group, USA Ltd., Including a Right of Entry for Purposes of Conducting Related Due Diligence Investigations – Approved by Resolution No. 2018-25

Motion/Second: Powell/Guilbault

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

Absent: Groom, Kersteen-Tucker, Matsumoto

MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Director Gee reported the following item:

SUBJECT DISCUSSED:

- State and Federal Legislative Update

Chair Stone moved the General Counsel Report to the end of the agenda.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

None.

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 2:00 p.m., San Mateo County Transit District, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA

GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT

The Board recessed to a closed session at 5:33 pm.

Closed Session – Existing litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Catherine Vain v. San Mateo County Transit District, et al.; San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-16-556167

The Board reconvened in open session at 5:35 pm.

Joan Cassman, District Legal Counsel, stated for the record that the Board unanimously authorized a settlement in the amount of \$60,000.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:36 pm.