

**Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board  
Board of Directors Meeting  
1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos CA**

**MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3, 2019**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** G. Gillett (Chair), J. Bruins, C. Brinkman, C. Chavez (9:20 a.m.), R. Collins, D. Davis, D. Pine, C. Stone

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** S. Walton

**STAFF PRESENT:** J. Hartnett, C. Mau, T. Bartholomew, M. Bouchard, J. Brook, A. Chan, C. Fromson, J. Funghi, C. Gumpal, D. Hansel, D. Hansel, J. Lipps, S. Petty, D. Seamans

**CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Gillian Gillett called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. Director Stone led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

District Secretary Seamans called the roll and confirmed a quorum. Director Walton was absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Adina Levin, Friends of Caltrain, expressed appreciation for the elected officials' participation in the celebration of Transit Week.

Vaughn Wolffe, Pleasanton, discussed current decisions that effects the future, including transit oriented development and climate change. He stressed the need to make decisions on how to effectively move people in the Bay Area.

Roland Lebrun, San Jose, discussed increased ridership statistics and suggested increasing trains from six to seven cars. He discussed a proposal for using the new electric multiple units when they are in operation.

Aleta Dupree, Oakland, discussed a recent trip on Caltrain, eliminating paper tickets, train frequencies to the Denver airport and encouraged the Board to increase frequencies on Caltrain.

**OVERVIEW OF FASTER BAY AREA – A REGIONAL FUNDING MEASURE**

CEO Hartnett introduced Carl Guardino, Silicon Valley Leadership Group, who provided a lengthy overview of "FASTER Bay Area," a regional funding measure proposed for a future ballot. Board members provided individual comments. Mr. Guardino responded to Board member comments.

Director Chavez arrived at 9:20 a.m.

Public Comment

Vaughn Wolfe, Pleasanton, discussed prior visionary transit projects and their associated expense but felt the wrong technology was used. He discussed transit issues in the east bay.

Aleta Dupree, Oakland, discussed the lack of connectivity between transit systems in the Bay Area and the cost of owning a vehicle and supported a potential measure.

Adina Levin, Friends of Caltrain and Seamless Bay Area, discussed the strategies used in the successful Measure W, which included stakeholder groups.

Rod Spikes, San Mateo, Youth Leadership Institute, supported a measure for seamless transportation in the Bay Area.

Jeff Carter, Millbrae, echoed Mr. Wolfe's comments and discussed the potential of Caltrain crossing the bay to move more people. He expressed concern of there being no dedicated funding for Caltrain.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Chair Gillett invited public comment prior to voting on the Consent Calendar:

#### Public Comment

Rod Spikes, Youth Leadership Institute, addressed the Board regarding the Grand Jury report response and supported better connectivity between bus and train systems.

Jeff Carter, Millbrae, addressed the Board regarding responses to the Grand Jury reports regarding grade separation and connectivity issues between SamTrans and Caltrain.

Adina Levin, Friends of Caltrain, expressed appreciation for the thoughtful responses to the Grand Jury reports regarding better integration between SamTrans and Caltrain, especially the strategic approach.

Director Stone commented on Consent item "Award Contract to Xenconsult, Inc. DBA Xentrans for Broadband Wireless Communications Design and Support Services".

Director Chavez asked that release dates for upcoming Request for Proposals be included on the Consent Calendar.

Motion/Second: Bruins/Brinkman moved approval of the Consent Calendar.

Ayes: Brinkman, Bruins, Chavez, Collins, Davis, Pine, Stone, Gillett

Noes: None

Absent: Walton

- Approved Meeting Minutes of September 5, 2019
- Received Key Caltrain Performance Statistics for August 2019
- Received State and Federal Legislative Update
- Accepted Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for June and August

- Adopted Resolution 2019-35, Awarding Contracts to HDR Engineering, Inc. ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc. and Louis Berger U.S. Inc. for Provision of On-Call Environmental Planning, Permitting and Supporting Services for an Aggregate Not-To-Exceed Total Amount of \$57 Million for a Five-Year Term
- Adopted Resolution 2019-36, Awarding Contracts to Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates, Inc., PFM Financial Advisory LLC, Ross Financial, Sperry Capital, Inc. KPMG LLP and Macias Gini & O'Connell LLP to provide On-Call Financial Consulting Services for an Aggregate, Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$970,000 for a Five-Year Term
- Adopted Resolution 2019-37, Awarding Contract to Xenconsult, Inc. DBA Xentrans for Broadband Wireless Communications Design and Support Services for a Total Not-To-Exceed Amount of \$404,753 for a Three-Year Term
- Adopted Resolution 2019-39, Reaffirming the Statement of Investment Policy for the
- Adopted Resolution 2019-40, Reauthorizing Investment of Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board Monies the Local Agency Investment Fund
- Authorized Response to San Mateo County Grand Jury Report on Grade Separation - Bypasses to Greater Safety
- Authorized Response to San Mateo County Grand Jury Report on "Just Missed It! Fixing SamTrans "Caltrain Connection"
- Received San Jose Diridon Integrated Station Concept Plan Update

#### **REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

Chair Gillett stated the Local Policy Making Group did not meet and had no other items to report on. Director Bruins reported out on a big tent meeting held recently and they are continuing to move in parallel.

#### **REPORT OF THE WORK PROGRAM – LEGISLATIVE – PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Director Stone reported out on the Work Program-Legislative-Planning Committee held on September 25, 2019.

#### **REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Director Davis reported out on the Finance Committee held on September 23, 2019.

#### Public Comment

Roland Lebrun, San Jose, discussed farebox recovery, wages and benefits outlined in the revenue and expenditures.

#### **REPORT OF THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Chair Davis noted the Advisory Committee report was submitted in writing.

## **REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

CEO Hartnett expressed appreciation of the work of the standing committee members, discussed the set out track (storage) area in San Mateo and announced he would be looking for another location.

### **Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project Monthly Report for August 2019**

John Funghi, CalMod Chief Officer, announced the first Peninsula Corridor Electrification project ad hoc committee meeting was held recently. Director Bruins added that she is chairing the meeting and provided a brief update and thanked staff for their contributions to the committee. Mr. Funghi provided a monthly progress report, noting the number of foundation and pole installations, the construction schedule, an update on the tunnel modifications and status of the electric vehicle unit construction at the Stadler's facility in Salt Lake City. He also discussed project budget and contingency balances. Mr. Funghi added that he met with the Federal Transit Administration on Sept. 24, 2019 and provided schedule documents.

### **Monthly Report on Positive Train Control System**

Michelle Bouchard, Chief Operating Officer, Rail, updated Board members on the positive train control system, noting that the project has entered the revenue-service demonstration. She reported on a positive experience and is working closely with the contractor, Wabtec, and operator Transit America. Ms. Bouchard discussed the next milestone; working with Union Pacific on interoperability by December 2019.

### **ADOPTION OF THE CALTRAIN BUSINESS PLAN LONG RANGE SERVICE VISION**

Sebastian Petty, Director of Policy Development, provided background on the planning process for the work done on the service vision and a timeline illustrating the past quarter, with the refinements made to the plan following stakeholder and Board member comments incorporated.

Mr. Petty introduced Casey Fromson, Director of Government Affairs, who discussed the extensive outreach done on the Business Plan/service vision, noting staff attended at 25 public meetings, held virtual "town halls", distributed numerous fact sheets, surveys and engaged riders in the process. Mr. Petty continued by presenting the refined recommendations in the Business Plan/Long Range Service Vision for adoption. He announced an organizational workshop/special meeting to take place on November 21, 2019 to take a comprehensive look into many issues.

The Board members had a robust discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions.

### Public Comment

Jeff Carter, Millbrae, expressed support for the plan's high-growth scenario while utilizing four tracks as much as possible along the corridor. He commended staff for the visionary document and hoped that much of it could be implemented before 2040.

Rosanne Foust, San Mateo County Economic Development Association, representing the SAMCEDA Board of Directors, stated the plan is very transparent and complete. She commended staff for producing a document that evaluated every aspect of Caltrain service and supported the staff recommendation. Ms. Foust asked Board

members to think in terms of what the plan does regionally, not only for their respective areas of the County that they may represent.

Karyl Matsumoto, Mayor, City of South San Francisco, expressed support for the moderate growth scenario contained in the document which would mitigate the traffic gridlock in South San Francisco.

Melanie Cohn, Biocom, South San Francisco, spoke in support of Mayor Matsumoto's comments.

Lauren Bennett, Genentech, South San Francisco, supported the moderate growth business plan, increased service of eight trains per hour to South San Francisco.

Adina Levin, Friends of Caltrain, expressed support of previous speakers' comments regarding planning proactively for growth and listening to the comments regarding connectivity and expressed support to adopt the plan to move Caltrain to a regional seamless solution.

Rod Spikes, Youth Leadership Institute, San Mateo, thanked the Board for its strong service vision, especially as it relates to providing reliable transportation for youth in and outside of San Mateo County.

Aleta Dupree, Oakland, hoped the plan would be a living document and compared Caltrain to a similar train project in New Haven, Connecticut, serving New York, where growth was anticipated and investments made in the correct way so as to not deny service.

Roland Lebrun, San Jose, stated the plan is good but needs fine tuning around the South San Francisco, Hillsdale, and Diridon stations.

Laura Tolkoff, SPUR, urged the Board to adopt the 2040 service vision.

Board members provided final comments prior to a vote and thanked staff for their extensive effort.

Motion/Second: Brinkman/Bruins moved approval of Resolution 2019-38, Adopting the Caltrain 2040 Long Range Service Vision to Focus and Guide Completion of the Caltrain Business Plan.

Ayes: Brinkman, Bruins, Chavez, Collins, Davis, Pine, Stone, Gillett

Noes: None

Absent: Walton

CEO Hartnett expressed appreciation to Sebastian Petty and his team of 40 employees, who worked tirelessly on the project. He also noted the extraordinary partnership with Stanford, who provided expertise and valuable resources adding to the success of the project.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence to the Board of Directors was available online and at the public desk.

### **BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS**

Director Stone encouraged members to read Casey Fromson's biography in Mass Transit magazine article "Forty under 40."

### **GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT**

Closed Session: Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Joan L. Cassman, General Counsel, Brian Fitzpatrick and Gary Cardona, JPB Real Estate Staff) pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8: 4000 Campbell Avenue, Menlo Park, CA (APN: 055-253-120) (Owners: Julie Del Secco Forrest, Trustee of the 2000 Julie Del Secco Revocable Trust; Jonathon Del Secco; and Clayton R. and Carol Del Secco, Trustees of the Del Secco Revocable Trust, dated December 16, 1987.

The Board recessed to a Closed Session at 12:24 p.m.

Directors Chavez and Pine departed at 12:27 p.m.

The Board reconvened open session at 12:33 p.m. and Ms. Cassman noted that there were no reportable actions from the closed session.

**DATE/TIME OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2019 AT 9:00 A.M. SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, 1250 SAN CARLOS AVENUE, SAN CARLOS, CA 94070**

### **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:34 p.m.