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## **MST HIGHLIGHTS**

### **May 11, 2015 BOARD MEETING**

#### **MAY EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

The MST Board adopted Resolution 2015-35 recognizing Johnny Gray, coach operator, as the May Employee of the Month for his positive contribution to MST and to the entire community.

#### **AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF TWO SOLAR-POWERED STREET SIGNS**

The MST Board authorized \$36,000 for the purchase of 2 solar-powered Transit Master OnStreet signs from Trapeze Group to display real-time bus arrival/departure information. The purchase is funded 88.53 percent through FTA's Section 5311(f) Intercity Bus Program, and 11.47 percent through Transportation Development Credits (Toll Credits) administered by Caltrans.

#### **APPROVE BUDGET INCREASE FOR ELECTRIC TROLLEY PROJECT**

The MST Board authorized a \$75,000 budget increase to the contract with Wireless Advanced Vehicle Electrification, Inc., for additional costs directly related to supplying power to the transformer and additional unforeseen expenses for the electric trolley project. The increase is funded through MST's Local Transportation Funds (LTF) available in excess of the District's 15% reserve target.

#### **AWARD CONTRACT TO NELSON/NYGAARD CONSULTING ASSOCIATES**

The MST Board authorize staff to award a contract for \$89,930 to Nelson/Nygaard Consulting Associates, Inc., for the preparation of the Measure Q 15-Year Plan. The Measure Q 15-Year Plan is an eligible expense under the Measure Q ordinance and will be paid with those funds.

#### **CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING ON POTENTIAL EMERGENCY SERVICE AND LABOR REDUCTIONS**

Chairperson Downey announced that the potential emergency service and labor reductions that had been planned in the event the Department of Labor did not release grant funds, at the request of the Amalgamated Transit Union and in response to objections raised regarding the State of California's Public Employee Pension Reform Act, had been averted and would not be implemented. The public hearing was held to allow members of the public to comment and to provide information on the status of the issue.

## **AUTHORIZE PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE MONTEREY BAY OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FACILITY PROJECT**

The MST Board authorized MST staff to conduct a public hearing at the July 13, 2015, board meeting to approve the Monterey Bay Operations and Maintenance Facility project and to agendize the final California Environment Quality Act (CEQA) Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.