

MST BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District
Board Room, 3rd Floor
24580 Silver Cloud Ct., Monterey

Minutes
January 11, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER

1-1. Roll Call.

1-2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Downey called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m., and roll call was taken. Director Clark led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1-3. Review Highlights of the agenda.

Mr. Sedoryk reviewed the highlights of the agenda.

Present:	Fernando Armenta (9:07 a.m.)	County of Monterey
	Victoria Beach	City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
	Robert Bonincontri	City of Gonzales
	Kristin Clark	City of Del Rey Oaks
	Libby Downey	City of Monterey
	Joe Gunter (alt) (9:10 a.m.)	City of Salinas
	Mike LeBarre	City of King
	Dan Miller	City of Pacific Grove
	Frank O'Connell	City of Marina
	David Pacheco	City of Seaside
	David Pendergrass	City of Sand City
	Leah Santibañez (10:35 a.m.)	City of Greenfield
	Patricia Stephens (9:14 a.m.)	City of Soledad

Absent: None

Staff:	Carl Sedoryk	General Manager/CEO
	Hunter Harvath	Asst. GM/Finance & Administration
	Michael Hernandez	Asst. GM/COO
	Kelly Halcon	Director of HR & Risk Management
	Robert Weber	Director of Transportation Services
	Lisa Rheinheimer	Director of Planning and Development
	Andrea Williams	General Accounting & Budget Manager
	Mark Eccles	Director of Information Technology
	Tom Hicks	CTSA Manager
	Carl Wulf	Facilities Manager
	Zoe Shoats	Marketing Manager

Deanna Smith
Dave Laredo
Sally Cota

Compliance Analyst
De Lay & Laredo
MST Customer Service Representative

Public: Debbie Hale
Ken Walker
Alex Lorca
Leona Medearis-Peacher
MacGregor Eddy
Heidi Quinn
Richard Weiner

TAMC
ATU
MST
MV Transportation
Salinas Californian
De Lay & Laredo
Nelson Nygaard

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

3. CLOSED SESSION

To accommodate members of the public, Director Downey moved to agenda item #5. Closed Session will be conducted after agenda item #6.

Following the agenda item #6, Strategic Planning Session, Director Downey returned to Closed Session. Dave Laredo, MST General Counsel, announced the Closed Session items and Director Downey opened public comment on items 3-2 and 3-3.

3-1. Public Comment

None.

3-2. Conference with Real Property Negotiators, Gov. Code § 54956.8. (Parcel # APN 026-521-031)

3-3. Conference with Real Property Negotiators, Gov. Code § 54956.8. (Parcel # APN 032-171-005)

4. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

4-1. Report on Closed Session and possible action.

Dave Laredo, General Counsel, stated that no reportable action was taken. Director Downey moved to agenda item #7.

5. CONSENT AGENDA.

5-1. Approve Low Carbon Transit Operations Program FY 15/16 Allocation.

Director Downey requested to pull item 5-1 for more information.

Director Armenta arrived at 9:07 a.m.

Michelle Overmeyer clarified the funds would be used to purchase an all-electric bus for this program. Remaining funds allocated to Monterey County would be transferred to Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (METRO) to reimburse METRO for FY 2015 funds allocated to Monterey county from Santa Cruz county per previous agreement.

Director Gunter arrived at 9:10 a.m.

Public Comment – none.

Director Clark made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Director LeBarre. The motion carried unanimously.

6. CONDUCT STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

6-1. Strategic Planning Workshop Packet.

1. Review of Agenda

Mr. Sedoryk reviewed the Strategic Planning Workshop agenda.

Director Stephens arrived at 9:14 a.m.

2. MST Organizational Progress

Director Armenta suggested considering more transit services for the homeless.

3. Measure Q Update and Planning

Lisa Rheinheimer introduced Richard Weiner of Nelson Nygaard, who provided a presentation of the Draft Measure Q Transit Investment Plan. Ms. Rheinheimer expects the final proposed plan to be brought back to the board for adoption at the February board meeting.

Director Armenta suggested that staff receive feedback from communities to assess transit needs. He also would like MST to meet with homeless service providers regarding transit needs for the homeless population.

Director Beach noted the importance of equitable distribution of services based on geography and population. She also suggested using the flex voucher system as a financial analysis tool.

Director Stephens noted the importance of expanded marketing for this program. She also indicated that MST needs to better align services to the needs in the senior population in South County.

Carl Sedoryk clarified that the Measure Q committee's role is to provide fiscal oversight only.

Director Santibañez arrived at 10:35 a.m.

Public Comment:

Deborah Hale of TAMC noted that a transit provider in Portland provides mobile payment services, and she provided information regarding Uber services.

MacGregor Eddy noted that Uber services are problematic.

Close Public Comment

4. Receive Update on Status of Major Capital Projects

- Receive report on MST capital budget, property acquisition and renovation financing options, and federal and state funding opportunities for 2016. Hunter Harvath provided information for this item.

Director LeBarre expressed appreciation for Mr. Harvath's work.

- Receive updates on MST facility projects.
- South County, Marina Transit Exchange, and Salinas Transit Center property updates.

Michael Hernandez provided information for the previous two bullet items.

Public Comment:

MacGregor Eddy stated that she would like bike lockers at the transit centers, and some transit centers need a place for cars to drop off and pick up riders.

Close Public Comment:

5. Discuss Board Governance Issues

- Discuss and recommend changes to MST's board stipend policy to include mileage reimbursement.

Carl Sedoryk provided a local agency stipend list for comparison purposes.

- Review and discuss proposed changes to MST board agenda format: order of business; financial reporting; and action items.

Carl Sedoryk provided a draft updated template, which removed "Unfinished Business" and "New Business." All items requiring board action, including major procurements, will be placed under a new item "Action Items." Staff recognitions and staff and public presentations not requiring action will be placed under "Recognition and Special Presentations. The changes are being proposed in response to board requests to streamline the agenda process and highlight items requiring board action. Routine

approvals, including purchases under \$100,000 will remain under Consent Agenda. The board concurred with the proposed changes.

- Provide suggestions for new board member orientation process.

Director LeBarre noted that he supports any process that makes for a stronger board.

Director Beach noted that she received a good orientation, and suggested that board members provide informal mentoring with newer appointees. She suggested seating new board members next to seasoned board members during board meetings.

Director Stephens noted that it may be important to provide an orientation six months after a board member joins the board.

Director Armenta encouraged other members to attend a state transit conference.

Director Beach indicated that a follow up to these strategic plan items is necessary.

Director Clark indicated that with so much on their plate, the board should wait until June to move forward on this item.

Public Comment – none.

6. MST “Transit Champion” Award

Carl Sedoryk noted that this item is scheduled for presentation around the end of June. He would like to receive nominations, and also suggested Congressman Farr as a potential nominee.

Director Downey moved to Closed Session.

7. **COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS**

13-1. Board member Comments and Announcements.

Director Armenta announced that he is TAMC board’s incoming president for 2016.

Director LeBarre suggested the concept of exploring a youth transit program.

13-2. Board member Referrals for future agendas.

None.

8. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Director Downey adjourned the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

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