MST HIGHLIGHTS
April 27, 2015

APRIL EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH
The MST Board approved Resolution 2015-32 recognizing David Hobbs, coach operator, as employee of the month for April 2015.

APPROVE STAFF APPOINTMENTS
The MST Board appointed Lisa Rheinheimer as the primary MST representative, and Hunter Harvath as the alternate representative, to the AMBAG board of directors.

APPROVE UPDATED DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY
The MST Board approved changes to its drug and alcohol policy to comply with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations and enable MST to receive federal funds.

17 YEARS OF SERVICE
The MST Board approved Resolution 2015-33 recognizing Frank Soliz, inventory clerk, for his seventeen years of service to MST and wished him a happy retirement.

APPROVE NEW MEMBER TO THE MOBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
The MST Board approved the appointment of Maria Magana to the Mobility Advisory Committee.

APPROVE RESOLUTION 2015-34 AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES
The MST Board approved Resolution 2015-34 authorizing the filing of a grant application with the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services for Proposition 1B Transit Security Grant Program funds.
AUTHORIZE A CONTRACT FOR DESIGN & ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE TDA FUEL ISLAND
The MST Board authorized a contract modification with AECOM for design and engineering services for the modification, upgrade, and expansion of MST’s existing fuel island.

CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING FOR FY2015 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS
The MST Board conducted a public hearing and adopted MST’s FY 2015 Program of Projects, authorizing the filing of the appropriate grant applications with the Federal Transit Administration and Caltrans.

APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE MEASURE Q OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
The MST Board appointed the following members to the Measure Q Oversight Committee:

Salinas Urbanized Area: Juan Pablo Lopez
Seaside-Marina-Monterey Urbanized Area: Sid Williams
Non-urbanized Area: Susan Kleber
County of Monterey Unincorporated: Kathy Merritt
Taxpayer’s Association: Harry Mucha
Mobility Advisory Committee: John Hart and Kazuko Wessendorf

AUTHORIZE PUBLIC HEARINGS
The MST Board authorized staff to hold public hearings to inform and solicit input from the public of possible service reductions and modifications due to objections raised by ATU to the U.S. Department of Labor’s processing of Section 13(c) certification.

AUTHORIZE GENERAL MANAGER TO MEET & CONFER WITH ATU, ISSUE LAYOFF NOTICES, AND DEVELOP LONG-TERM STRATEGIES TO MINIMIZE DISRUPTION OF FEDERAL FUNDING.
The MST Board authorized the General Manager/CEO and his delegates to meet and confer with ATU and MSTEA officials regarding any necessary reductions in workforce; delegated authority to the General Manager/CEO to take action regarding reductions in labor force affecting ATU, MSTEA and/or unrepresented employees; and directed the General Manager to research long term options to avoid future objections to MST’s federal funding from DOL and ATU objections.