Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Alfredo Pedroza, Chair     Nick Josefowitz, Vice Chair

Wednesday, May 26, 2021  9:35 AM  Board Room - 1st Floor (REMOTE)

Call Remote Meeting to Order

1. Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

Present:  15 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering, and Commissioner Worth

Absent:  3 - Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Chavez, and Commissioner Liccardo

Non-Voting Commissioners Present: Commissioner El-Tawansy and Commissioner Giacopini

2. Pledge of Allegiance / Acknowledgement of the Flag

3. Compensation Announcement (Clerk)

4. Chair’s Report (Pedroza)


6. Executive Director’s Report (McMillan)

The following members of the public were called to speak: Adina Levin, Aleta Dupree, Joe Kunzler, and Roland Lebrun.

21-0856  E.D. Report

Action: Information

7. Commissioner Comments
8. Consent Calendar:

Upon the motion by Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci and the second by Commissioner Spering the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 4 - Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Liccardo and Commissioner Schaaf

8a. 21-0652 Minutes of the April 28, 2021 meeting

Action: Commission Approval


Action: Information

Programming and Allocations Committee

8c. 21-0577 MTC Resolution No. 3664, Revised. Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Project 32: Allocation of $230,000 in RM2 funds to the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA) for the Rapid Bus Stop Improvement Project.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Anne Spevack

8d. 21-0562 MTC Resolution Nos. 3989, Revised and 4468. Agreement for the Exchange of MTC Regional Discretionary Funds with Transportation Authority of Marin Unrestricted funds for the US 101 High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lane project.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Ross McKeown

8e. 21-0584 MTC Resolution No. 4462. Adoption of the FY2021-22 Regional State Transit Assistance (STA) Program to program $8.6 million to MTC projects that support regional coordination including Clipper and the Regional Transit Card programs.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Cheryl Chi
8f. **21-0561**

MTC Resolution No. 4475, Revised. 2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 2021-05.

**Action:** Commission Approval

**Presenter:** Adam Crenshaw

**Committee Reports**

9. **Programming and Allocations Committee (Rabbitt)**

9a. **21-0585**

MTC Resolution No. 4463. Adoption of the $45.4 million FY2021-22 Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating and Marketing Assistance Program.

Staff will present a $45.4 million program recommendation for the FY 2021-22 Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating and Marketing Program.

**Action:** Commission Approval

**Presenter:** Cheryl Chi

Upon the motion by Commissioner Rabbitt and the second by Commissioner Papan, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4463. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:**
- Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

**Absent:**
- Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Liccardo and Commissioner Schaaf
9b. 21-0580 MTC Resolution 4202, Revised. A proposed framework for the distribution of highway infrastructure funding provided through the federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), including a $34.4 million augmentation to the Safe and Seamless Mobility Quick-Strike program.

The federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) includes $10 billion in supplemental COVID-relief funding for highway infrastructure programs. Of the $912 million available statewide, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) recently approved distributing 40% of the funds to local and regional programs. The CTC will program the remaining 60% of the available funds to various state programs.

_Action:_ Commission Approval  
_Presenter:_ Theresa Romell

Upon the motion by Commissioner Rabbitt and the second by Commissioner Papan, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4202, Revised. The motion carried by the following vote:

_Aye:_ 14 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth  
_Absent:_ 4 - Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Liccardo and Commissioner Schaaf

9c. 21-0563 Proposed Principles and Approach to the Distribution of Transit Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

Update on MTC's Approach to the Distribution of Transit Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act and Proposed Principles to Guide the Distribution of Funds.

_Action:_ Commission Approval  
_Presenter:_ Therese McMillan and William Bacon

Upon the motion by Commissioner Rabbitt and the second by Commissioner Spering, the Commission adopted the Principles and Approach to the Distribution of Transit Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

_Aye:_ 13 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth  
_Absent:_ 4 - Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Liccardo and Commissioner Schaaf  
_Abstain:_ 1 - Commissioner Miley
10. Joint MTC Planning Committee w/ the ABAG Administration Committee (Spering)

10a. **21-0650**

MTC Resolution No. 4202, Revised: One Bay Area Grant Program Second Round (OBAG 2) Project Selection Criteria and Programming Policy - Priority Development Areas (PDA) Planning Grants & Technical Assistance

Approval of approximately $7.86 million in PDA Planning and Technical Assistance Grants and supportive studies.

**Action:** MTC Commission Approval

**Presenter:** Daniel Saver

Upon the motion by Commissioner Spering and seconded by Commissioner Canepa, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4202, Revised. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 14 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

**Absent:** 4 - Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Liccardo and Commissioner Schaaf
11. Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee (Liccardo)

11a. 21-0687  Assembly Bill 897 (Mullin): Regional Climate Networks

Authorizes the establishment of regional climate networks and adoption of regional climate adaptation action plans. Requires the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to adopt guidelines as to how eligible entities may form such a network, its geographic boundaries, the content of plans, and governance.

Action: Support and Seek Amendments / ABAG Executive Board Approval
        Support and Seek Amendments / MTC Commission Approval

Presenter: Rebecca Long

Upon the motion by Chair Pedroza and the second by Commissioner Papan, the Commission unanimously adopted a support and seek amendments position on AB 897. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 4 - Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Liccardo and Commissioner Schaaf

11b. 21-0688  Assembly Bill 1500 (Garcia): Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2022

Authorizes the issuance of a $7 billion climate adaptation general obligation bond.

Action: Support and Seek Amendments / ABAG Executive Board Approval
        Support and Seek Amendments / MTC Commission Approval

Presenter: Rebecca Long

Upon the motion by Chair Pedroza and the second by Commissioner Fleming, the Commission unanimously adopted a support and seek amendments position on AB 1500. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 4 - Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Liccardo and Commissioner Schaaf
11c. **21-0689**  
**Assembly Bill 1401 (Friedman): Residential and Commercial Parking Requirements Near Transit**

Prohibits minimum parking requirements from applying to commercial or residential buildings located within one-half mile of a major transit stop or high quality transit corridor.

**Action:** Support / ABAG Executive Board  
Support / MTC Commission Approval

**Presenter:** Rebecca Long and James Choe

The following members of the public were called to speak: Aleta Dupree, Roland Lebrun, Jordan Grimes, and Adina Levin.

Commissioner Schaaf arrived during agenda item 11c.

Upon the motion by Chair Pedroza and the second by Commissioner Canepa, the Commission adopted a support position on AB 1401. The motion carried by the following vote:

- **Aye:** 10 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf and Commissioner Spering

- **Nay:** 5 - Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Papan and Commissioner Worth

- **Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Chavez and Commissioner Liccardo

12. Public Comment / Other Business

13. Adjournment / Next Meetings:

The next meeting of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 9:35 a.m. remotely and by webcast. Any changes to the schedule will be duly noticed to the public.