



SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Board Minutes for Meeting of
October 10, 2012

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Batchelor called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was confirmed.

MEMBERS

PRESENT: Jack Batchelor, Chair City of Dixon
Steve Hardy, Vice-Chair City of Vacaville
Elizabeth Patterson City of Benicia
Harry Price City of Fairfield
Jan Vick City of Rio Vista
Pete Sanchez City of Suisun City
Osby Davis City of Vallejo
John Vasquez (Alternate) County of Solano

MEMBERS Jim Sperring County of Solano
ABSENT:

STAFF

PRESENT: Daryl K. Halls Executive Director
Bernadette Curry Legal Counsel
Janet Adams Deputy Executive Director/Director of Projects
Robert Macaulay Director of Planning
Johanna Masiclat Clerk of the Board
Jayne Bauer Legislative & Marketing Program Manager
Susan Furtado Accounting & Administrative Svc. Manager
Liz Niedziela Transit Manager
Judy Leaks Program Manager
Robert Guerrero Senior Planner
Sam Shelton Project Manager
Sara Woo Associate Planner
Jessica McCabe Assistant Project Manager
Danelle Carey SR2S Assistant Program Manager

ALSO

PRESENT:

In Alphabetical Order by Last Name:

Morrie Barr	City of Dixon
Tony Bruzone	ARUP
Mitchell Conner	ArchiLOGIX
Jim Ducoing	Member of the Public
Bill Emlen	County of Solano
Dan Kasperson	City of Suisun City
Wayne Lewis	City of Fairfield
Phil McGuire	Innovative Paradigms
Brian McLean	Vacaville City Coach
Sandy Person	Solano EDC
Dale Pfeiffer	Solano EDC
Robert Powell	Member of the Public
Elizabeth Richards	Elizabeth Richards Consulting
Mike Roberts	City of Benicia
Alvina Sheeley	Member of the Public
Peter Stanley	ArchiLOGIX
Nancy Whelan	Nancy Whelan Consulting
Alan Zahradnick	ARUP

II. CONFIRM QUORUM/STATEMENT OF CONFLICT

A quorum was confirmed by the Clerk of the Board. There was no Statement of Conflict declared at this time.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Board Member Vick, and a second by Board Member Sanchez, the STA Board approved the agenda.

IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Robert Powell commented on reconstituting the bus service along the I-80 corridor to include more bike facilities throughout the intermodal transit facilities (i.e. more bike locks, lockers, etc.) in Solano County. He also commented regarding the White Slough Trail entrance at SR 37/Sacramento Street being gated and that it is not accessible to the public.

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Daryl Halls provided an update on the following topics:

- STA's Draft Legislative Platform and Priorities for 2013
- OneBayAreaGrant (OBAG) Criteria for Project Selection
- Development of MOU with Yoche Dehe Wintun Nation for Tribal Consultations
- State Route 12/Church Road Funding Plan
- Suisun City Train Station Improvements
- State Route 12 Economic Study Wrap up
- Initiation of Solano Mobility Management Plan
- Kick-Off Countywide Coordinated Short Range Transit Plan
- STA Partnerships with Local Schools to Commemorate International Walk to School Day
- STA Staff Update

VI. COMMENTS FROM METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC), CALTRANS, AND STAFF:

MTC Report:

None presented.

Caltrans Report:

None presented.

STA Reports:

A. Announcement of Nominees for STA's 15th Annual Awards

B. Directors Report:

1. Planning

2. Projects

Janet Adams announced that the Redwood Parkway Public Meeting is scheduled on October 11th at Cooper Elementary School.

3. Transit/Rideshare

International Walk to School Day was presented by Danelle Carey.

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Board Member Price, and a second by Board Member Vick, the STA Board approved Consent Calendar Items A through L.

A. Minutes of the STA Board Meeting of September 12, 2012

Recommendation:

Approve STA Board Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2012.

B. Minutes of the STA Board One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Public Input Meeting of September 12, 2012

Recommendation:

Approve STA Board OBAG Public Input Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2012.

C. Draft Minutes of the TAC Meeting of September 26, 2012

Recommendation:

Approve Draft TAC Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2012.

D. STA's Proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-12 Final-Year Budget Amendment

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

E. Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-12 Fourth Quarter Budget Report

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

F. Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-13 Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) 40% Program Manager Funds

Recommendation:

Approve the following for the FY 2012-13 TFCA Program:

1. Reduce Benicia's Smart Growth/Safe Routes to School Project on Rose Drive Project TFCA allocation to \$25,500; and
2. Increase SNCI Rideshare Program's TFCA allocation by \$34,328.

G. Jepson Parkway Concept Plan Update

Recommendation:

Approve the 2012 Jepson Parkway Concept Plan Update Overall Scope of Work and Community Workshop Format as shown in Attachment A.

H. Intercity Transit Funding Agreement for SolanoExpress Route for Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-13 and 2013-14

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to execute the FY 2012-13 and FY 2013-14 Intercity Transit Funding Agreement.

I. Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plan Contract Approval

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to:

1. Execute a contract with AECOM to deliver tasks in the scope of work included in Attachment A, for an amount not to exceed \$153,800;
2. Execute individual contracts with the participating jurisdictions for development and implementation of the tasks identified in Attachment A, for a total amount not to exceed \$44,180; and
3. Execute an amendment to the agreement with Solano County to allow STA to administer the steps needed to implement the tasks identified in the SGC grant.

J. Environmental Mitigation for the I-80/I-680/State Route (SR) 12 Interchange Phase 1 Project

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to enter into agreements to provide the environmental mitigation required by the I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange – Phase 1 project for a not-to-exceed amount of \$9.9 M.

K. I-80/I-680/State Route (SR) 12 Westbound (WB) I-80 to SR 12 (West) Connector and Green Valley Road Interchange Improvements Project

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to finalize and execute the utility relocation agreement between STA and PG&E for the I-80/I-680/State Route (SR) 12 Westbound (WB) I-80 to SR 12 (West) Connector and Green Valley Road Interchange Improvements Project.

L. I-80/I-680/State Route (SR)12 Interchange Project

Recommendation:

Approve the attached Resolution No. 2012-17 and Funding Allocation Request from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for \$5.98 million in bridge toll funds for the I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Project for right-of-way phase.

VIII. ACTION – FINANCIAL ITEMS

A. Approval of OneBayArea Grant (OBAG) Local Streets and Roads (LS&R) Project Funding Swap for City of Vallejo

Sam Shelton reviewed the deliverability of both the City of Vallejo's OBAG LS&R project (Georgia Street) and requested OBAG CMAQ project (Maine Street). He noted that Vallejo Public Works staff originally requested to use the City of Vallejo's formula share of STP LS&R formula funds for a Georgia Street project and requested CMAQ competitive funds for a Maine Street project, the latter not being eligible for CMAQ funding.

Mr. Shelton reviewed the City of Vallejo's fund swap request that would allow the City of Vallejo to completely fund their Georgia Street project with \$173,000 of STP LS&R funds for street rehabilitation and \$611,000 of swapped CMAQ funds for streetscape enhancement.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments

Board Member Patterson asked if the STA TAC has reviewed STA Staff's recommendation. Mr. Shelton answered that due to the timing of the City of Vallejo's request for the swap, comments from TAC members were not noted in the staff report. Daryl Halls clarified that while the STA TAC did not review the recommendation during their normal meeting, STA staff did circulate the recommendation by email to all TAC members prior to the STA Board meeting. Board Member Patterson requested that staff clearly note STA TAC comments for future reports and presentations.

Recommendation:

Approve the swap of \$611,000 of the City of Vallejo's One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Local Streets and Roads Surface Transportation Program (STP) funding for \$611,000 OBAG Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) for the City of Vallejo's Georgia Street Streetscape project.

On a motion by Board Member Patterson, and a second by Board Member Vick, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

IX. ACTION – NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

A. OneBayArea Grant (OBAG) Funding Criteria

Robert Macaulay reviewed the recommended Solano OBAG CMAQ Project and Program Criteria, examples of project rating, and the revised STP/CMAQ funding. He noted that on September 28, 2012, MTC announced a shift in the balance of STP and CMAQ funds provided to each county resulting in additional STP funds of \$1.3 million and approximately \$6.3 million in CMAQ funding for OBAG-eligible projects. He added that at the November Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and December Board, staff will present the final OBAG funding package, including STP formula distribution, and will recommend projects funding with the available OBAG CMAQ funds.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments

Board Member Price commented that the City of Fairfield's assumption of a disproportionate housing allowance with lack of a fair share of funds places a financial burden on the City of Fairfield as explained in his letter on the topic.

Board Member Patterson commented that the sample matrix did not reflect projects for Rio Vista and Benicia. She recommended dropping Criteria No. 13 because it is not a requirement and is based on qualification. She stated that the matrix should include potential goals for all cities thus creating a fair process. She explained that fewer projects listed on the matrix gives the opportunity to flush out projects that would not be competitive with the larger population. She recommended that staff come back to this item as it is not ready to be approved as presented.

Daryl Halls described the two level process for the funding criteria, the first is the screening criteria, if the project doesn't meet the criteria then it would not make it to level two, which is the ranking criteria. He stated that Criteria No. 13, as proposed, would not be a screening criteria, only a ranking criteria.

Board Member Patterson recommended to approve the recommendation to include direction to staff to come back with a methodology for implementing the criteria with a more "fair and equitable" approach.

Recommendation:

Adopt the Solano OBAG CMAQ Project and Program Criteria as shown in Attachment A.

On a motion by Board Member Patterson, and a second by Board Member Davis, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation to include direction to staff to come back with a methodology and approach for implementing the criteria.

B. Suisun City Train Station Improvements

Jessica McCabe reviewed preliminary discussions between the STA staff, City of Suisun City, and Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority (CCJPA) staff regarding the project and proposed improvements to facilities, signage and access to the adjacent area. She cited that based on the preliminary discussions, Suisun City developed a list of items to be upgraded at the Train Station and the surrounding grounds, and identified a recommended level of routine maintenance.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments

Board Member Patterson commended the City of Suisun City, noted she supports the partnership, and asked that staff consider looking into the PG&E Solar upgrade program

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Authorize the Executive Director to develop a funding plan with City of Suisun City for Suisun Train Station improvements and way finding signage.

On a motion by Board Member Patterson, and a second by Board Member Sanchez, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to develop a funding plan with City of Suisun City for Suisun Train Station improvements and way finding signage.

2. Authorize the STA Chair to appoint a Board subcommittee to review improvements to Suisun City Train Station and recommend a funding plan to the STA Board.

On a motion by Board Member Price, and a second by Board Member Sanchez, the STA Board approved the recommendation to authorize the STA Chair to appoint a Board subcommittee to review improvements to Suisun City Train Station and recommend a funding plan to the STA Board.

C. State Route (SR) 12/Church Road Assessment and Funding Plan

Janet Adams reviewed the assessment that will help STA determine if it is feasible to initiate the environmental documentation for the project. She cited that the STA is working with Solano Economic Development Corporation (EDC) and the City of Rio Vista on this assessment, and would need to develop a funding plan for all the work required to construct this project which would include the environmental document, the right-of-way acquisition /dedication and the construction funding.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments

None presented.

Recommendation:

Authorize the development of a funding plan with the City of Rio Vista for SR 12/Church project pending the results of the assessment currently underway by the Solano Economic Development Corporation.

On a motion by Board Member Vick, and a second by Board Member Price, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

D. STA's Draft 2013 Legislative Priorities and Platform

Jayne Bauer recommended distributing the draft document for a 30-day review and comment period. She identified the primary proposed changes (see PPT). She noted that the Final Legislative Priorities and Platform will be placed on the December 2012 STA Board agenda for consideration of adoption.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments

Board Member Patterson *requested language be inserted into the Draft 2013 Legislative Priorities and Platform to address the state cap and trade program.*

Recommendation:

Distribute the STA's Draft 2013 Legislative Priorities Platform for a 30-day review and comment period.

On a motion by Board Member Patterson, and a second by Board Member Price, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation with consideration to include Board Member Patterson's request as shown above in *bold italics*.

E. Guiding Principles for Development of Intergovernmental Memorandum of Agreement with Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation

Bernadette Curry reviewed the development of Guiding Principles for Development of Intergovernmental Memorandum of Agreement between the STA and Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. She cited that Tribal Council approved the Guiding Principles and following approval, the STA and the Tribe will prepare a Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”) that memorializes the parties’ expectations and obligations defined in the Guiding Principles.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments

None presented.

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Guiding Principles for development of Intergovernmental Memorandum of Agreement with Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation; and
2. Authorize the STA Board Chair to execute the Memorandum of Agreement to be negotiated based on the Guiding Principles.

On a motion by Vice Chair Hardy, and a second by Board Member Patterson, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

F. State Route 12 Economic Study Wrap-Up

Peter Stanley and Mitchell Conner, ArchiLOGIX, reviewed the public outreach process that has been conducted and summarized the opinions provided by those who surveyed. He cited that the SR 12 Corridor Study, the Economic Study, and the Rio Vista Bridge Study will then form the foundational documents for local and regional action to improve the SR 12 corridor.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments

Board Members Price and Vick thanked the STA and Solano EDC and the project managers for initiating and supporting this process.

Recommendation:

Receive the SR 12 Economic Analysis.

X. INFORMATIONAL – DISCUSSION

A. Mobility Management Plan

Phil McGuire, Innovative Paradigms, presented the Mobility Management Plan. He reviewed the functions, benefits, and expectations being planned for Solano County. He provided status to the planning process and the role of the advisory committee.

