



SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Board Minutes for Meeting of
June 9, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

MEMBERS

PRESENT:	Jack Batchelor, Jr., Acting Chair	City of Dixon
	Elizabeth Patterson	City of Benicia
	Chuck Timm, Alternate Board Member	City of Fairfield
	Jan Vick	City of Rio Vista
	Mike Hudson, Alternate Board Member	City of Suisun City
	Len Augustine	City of Vacaville
	Osby Davis	City of Vallejo
	Jim Spering	County of Solano

MEMBERS

ABSENT:	Pete Sanchez, Chair	City of Suisun City
	Harry Price, Vice Chair	City of Fairfield

STAFF

PRESENT:	Daryl K. Halls	Executive Director
	Bernadette Curry	Interim Legal Counsel
	Johanna Masiclat	Clerk of the Board
	Robert Macaulay	Director of Planning
	Elizabeth Richards	Director of Transit and Rideshare Services
	Liz Niedziela	Transit Manager
	Susan Furtado	Accountant and Administrative Services Manager
	Judy Leaks	Program Manager
	Sam Shelton	Project Manager
	Sara Woo	Assistant Planner

ALSO

PRESENT: *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name:*

Kevin Adgate	Resident, City of Rio Vista
Eric Cordoba	Cordoba Consulting, Inc.
Cliff Covey	County of Solano
Dale Dennis	PDM
George Gwynn Jr.	Resident, City of Fairfield
Dan Kasperson	City of Suisun City
Wayne Lewis	City of Fairfield
Alysa Majer	City of Suisun City
Jeanne McCormack	Resident, City of Rio Vista
Kevin Graham	Resident, City of Rio Vista
Gary Leach	City of Vallejo
Brian McLean	City of Vacaville
Wayne Lewis	City of Fairfield
James Lira	Resident, City of Rio Vista
Steve Melinski	AECOM
Rod Moresco	City of Vacaville
Mike Roberts	City of Benicia
Vern Van Buskirk	Resident, City of Fairfield
Paul Wiese	County of Solano
Eddie Woodruff	Resident, City of Rio Vista

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 Acting Chair Batchelor, the STA Board unanimously approved the agenda.

IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Daryl Halls provided an update on the following topics:

- Release of Draft Rio Vista Bridge Study
- Status of Safe Routes to School Program and Grants
- Initial Senior and Disabled Advisory Committee Holds First Meeting
- Funding Next Wave of Transportation Planning and Land Use Projects
- Status of Next Phase of I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange

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

A. MTC Report:

None presented.

B. Caltrans Report:

Nicolas Endrawos, Caltrans District 4 Project Manager, provided a report on the State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) Projects in Solano County.

C. STA Reports:

1. Overview of Bike to Work Day on May 13, 2010 presented by Judy Leaks

2. Directors Reports:

a. Planning:

Robert Macaulay provided an update on the SR 12 Corridor Advisory Committee.

b. Transit and Rideshare

Elizabeth Richards provided an update on the Transit Consolidation Study.

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Board Member Augustine, and a second by Board Member Davis, the STA Board approved Consent Calendar Items A through P.

A. STA Board Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2010

Recommendation:

Approve STA Board Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2010.

B. Review Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Draft Minutes for the Meeting of May 26, 2010

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

C. Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-10 Third Quarter Budget Report

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

D. Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-10 Final Budget Revision

Recommendation:

Adopt FY 2009-10 Final Budget Revision as shown in Attachment A.

E. Fiscal Year (FY) 2010-11 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Matrix – June 2010

Recommendation:

Approve the FY 2010-11 TDA Matrix – June 2010 as shown in Attachment A for Vacaville City Coach.

F. Contract Amendment for Transit and Funding Consultant - Nancy Whelan Consulting

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to extend the consultant contract with Nancy Whelan Consulting for Transit Funding and Technical Services until June 30, 2011 for an amount not-to-exceed \$35,000.

- G. Contract Amendment for Transit Project Management Consultant - John Harris**
Recommendation:
Authorize the Executive Director to extend the consultant contract with John Harris for Transit Project Management until June 30, 2011 for an amount not-to-exceed \$15,000.
- H. Lifeline Transportation Funding Program**
Recommendation:
Authorize the programming of \$616,070 in STAF/Lifeline funds in FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11 to fund the Lifeline Projects as shown in Attachment E.
- I. Resolution for Allocation of FY 2010-11 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds**
Recommendation:
Approve Resolution No. 2010-05 authorizing the filing of a claim with MTC for the allocation of TDA funds for FY 2010-11.
- J. Appointment of Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC) Members**
Recommendation:
Appoint Rachel Ford as the Public Agency – Department of Health and Social Services representative and Ted Newton as the Social Service Provider representative to the PCC for a 3-year term.
- K. Transportation Planning and Land Use (T-PLUS) Planning Grants**
Recommendation:
Approve the following
1. Designate \$150,000 of T-PLUS funds to planning grants for one or more jurisdictions with designated PDAs;
 2. Designate \$35,000 of T-PLUS funds to planning grants to one jurisdiction that does not have a designated PDA; and
 3. Authorize the Executive Director to issue a Call for Projects for planning grants.
- L. Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan Priority Projects – Amendment to Cycle 1 Funding Strategy**
Recommendation:
Approve the following:
1. Amend the bike funding amount approved for the City of Vacaville’s Ulatis Creek Bicycle Path to be reduced from \$915,000 to \$810,000; and
 2. Reprogram the \$105,000 from Vacaville’s Ulatis Creek Bicycle Path project to Solano County’s Vacaville-Dixon Bicycle Route project as part of Cycle 2 bike funding.
- M. 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
Recommendation:
Approve the following:
1. The 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Solano County’s projects; and
 2. Authorize STA staff to submit the 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Solano County’s projects to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) as shown in Attachments A and B.

N. Project Manager for Jepson Parkway and Redwood Parkway – Fairgrounds Drive Improvements Projects

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to:

1. Release a Request for Proposals for Project Management Services for the Redwood Parkway – Fairgrounds Drive Improvement Project and the Jepson Parkway Project; and
2. Enter into an agreement with a consultant for Project Management Services for an amount not-to-exceed \$75,000 for a one-year term with provisions to extend yearly.

O. Public Private Partnership Feasibility Study

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to:

1. Execute a Project Management contract with Nancy Whelan Consulting for an amount-not-to exceed \$20,000;
2. Release a Request for Proposals for the Public Private Partnership (P3) Feasibility Study; and
3. Enter into a contract for Public Private Partnership (P3) Feasibility Study for an amount not-to-exceed \$130,000.

P. MTC High School Summer Internship Program

Recommendation:

Approve STA's participation in MTC's High School Internship Program, and the use of additional Safe Routes to School funds to hire up to 3 interns at 200 hours each for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,200.

VIII. ACTION – FINANCIAL ITEMS

A. Allocation of State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2010-11

Elizabeth Richards reported that legislation (ABX8 6 and ABX8 9) was passed to stop the flow of funds from the Public Transportation Account (PTA) to the STAF. She cited that the legislation was passed and included in the budget package signed by the Governor in March 2010 which provided a one-time allocation of \$400 million in STAF funds.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments:

None presented.

Recommendation:

Approve STAF allocations for FY 2010-11 as shown in Attachment D.

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

B. Fiscal Year (FY) 2010-11 & FY 2011-12 Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Project Program Grant Funding

Sam Shelton provided an overview of the recommended grant funding for the SR2S Program for the next two fiscal years, FY 2010-11 and FY 2011-12. He cited that the SR2S Program has split funding between the Engineering program and the non-engineering program.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments:

Board Member Patterson requested clarification of the TAC's discussion regarding MTC's policy of programming federal funding at amounts of no less than \$250,000. Sam Shelton discussed MTC's Cycle 1 project funding policy and MTC's reasons for a \$250,000 minimum project policy. Board Member Patterson noted that this policy does not accommodate smaller safety projects. Mr. Shelton noted that the type of federal air quality funding available from MTC further restricts project types to those that expand or create bicycle and pedestrian capacity, excluding safety projects such as radar speed signs.

Board Member Patterson requested to know if the STA will help agencies secure future Safe Routes to School funding from MTC. Mr. Shelton responded that the STA is committed to helping agencies plan for all manner of grants for their priority SR2S projects.

Recommendation:

Approve the FY 2010-11 & FY 2011-12 Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Project & Program Grant funding as shown in Attachment A.

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

- C.** Prior to the presentation of this item, Board Member Spring recused himself from participation on the next item to avoid a potential conflict of interest and left the meeting.

Award Construction Contract for the Gordon Water Line (Rockville Road Water Main) Relocation Project

Dale Dennis, STA Project Manager, cited that bids were received and opened on June 7, 2010 at the STA offices. He stated that construction bids were received and announced the lowest bidder was North Bay Construction with a bid of \$1,540,067. He cited that the final project budget is \$1,848,080.00 which includes a 20% project contingency of \$308,013.00 for contract change orders.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments:

None presented.

Recommendation:

Approve Resolution No. 2010-06 for the Gordon Water Line (Rockville Road Water Main) Relocation Project.

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

Supervisor Sperring returned to the meeting.

IX. ACTION NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

A. State Route (SR) 12 Rio Vista Bridge Study

Steve Melinski, AECOM, provided a project review and project summary of the SR 12 Realignment/Rio Vista Bridge Preliminary Study.

Board Comment:

Board Member Patterson asked about the assumptions for cost in the appendix.

Public Comments:

Eddie Woodruff addressed the STA Board and raised concerns about the potential impact on Rio Vista businesses.

Jeanne McCormack, Director of Bank of Rio Vista, commented that moving the bridge would cause severe economic damage and the hardship of moving the route would hurt the community from farmers to major trucking construction business. She requested the adoption of the tunnel method and not impose a toll.

James Lira, small business owner, Lira Supermarket, opposed tolling the bridge. He stated moving the road hurt the community.

Ken Adgate, car dealership owner, indicated they are responsible for 40% of the tax revenue in the city. He stated that manufacturers will eliminate the dealership if they relocate.

Kevin Graham, owner Paul Graham Drilling, stated they are the largest employer in town since 1968. He requested STA consider work to keep the route as close as it is and to study in a proper fashion.

Julie McCormack raised concerns on the negative impact on their business.

Board Comments:

Mayor Jan Vick commented that Rio Vista City Council will discuss on July 28 at a city council regular special meeting. Rio Vista will provide STA with comments from the city by the August 10 deadline.

Board Member Sperring shared his own experience on the overpass on Highway 12 when he was Mayor of Suisun City. He encouraged the group to not be discouraged and actively get engaged. He also stated that if we do not find a funding strategy then he doesn't think another dime should be spent on studying the bridge.

Recommendation:

Approve the release of the Draft Rio Vista Bridge Study for a 60-day public comment period.

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

B. 2010 Congestion Management Program (CMP)

At the request of Board Member Patterson, this item was tabled until the next meeting in July to allow more time to review.

By consensus, the STA Board approved to table this item until the next meeting in July.

C. Legislative Update

Robert Macaulay recommended a support position for S. 3412, The Public Transportation Preservation Act of 2010.

Public Comments:

None presented.

Board Comments:

None presented.

Recommendation:

Approve a position of support for S. 3412, The Public Transportation Preservation Act of 2010.

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

X. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS - NO DISCUSSION

A. 2010 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Update

B. Jepson Parkway Update

C. Regional Measure 2 (RM 2) Update

D. Funding Opportunities Summary

E. STA Board Meeting Schedule for 2010

XI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The STA Board meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. The next regular meeting of the STA Board is scheduled for **Wednesday, July 14, 2010, 6:00 p.m., Suisun City Hall Council Chambers.**

Attested by:



Johanna Masclat
Clerk of the Board

Date