

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Santa Barbara County Association of Governments
Board of Directors**

November 17, 2011

**Board of Supervisors Hearing Room
511 East Lakeside Parkway
Santa Maria, CA**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Gray called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Members Present: Directors Salud Carbajal, Janet Wolf, Doreen Farr, Joni Gray, Steve Lavagnino, Holly Sierra, John Linn (arrived at 8:35), Jim Richardson, Lupe Alvarez, Helene Schneider (arrived at 9:58 a.m.), Roger Aceves, Chair Joe Armendariz (arrived at 8:33)

Members Absent: None

Ex-Officio Member: Aileen Loe, Deputy Director, Caltrans District 5

Staff Present: Jim Kemp, Executive Director; Steve VanDenburgh, Deputy Director; Peter Imhof, Deputy Director; Terry Contreras, Board Clerk; Brittany Odermann, Senior Transportation Planner; Andrew Orfila, Transportation Planner; Bill Dillon, Agency Counsel\County Counsel;

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION (Gov. Code Section 54956.9): *Neighbors for Smart Rail v. Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority* (Court of Appeal No. B232655), Second Appellate District.

4. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Bill Dillon, Deputy County Counsel, reported that the Board voted to authorize signing onto an amicus brief in support of the Metro Authority being prepared by Self Help Counties Coalition in the case entitled *Neighbors For Smart Rail V. Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority*.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approve minutes from the October 20, 2011 board of directors meeting.

Motion made to approve the minutes.

Motion: Larry Lavagnino

Second: Alvarez

Motion carried: 12-0 (Schneider absent)

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve by roll call vote on one motion:

A. MEASURE A FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Authorize the chair to sign a contract with KNN Public Finance, Inc. to provide Measure A Financial Advisory services for a period of three years, at a cost for on-call services in FY 11/12 – 12/13 not to exceed \$30,000.

B. AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION FOR 5311(f) GRANT FOR NORTH COUNTY TRANSIT PLAN UPDATE

Adopt authorizing resolution accepting \$85,500 in 5311(f) grant funding for update of the North County Transit Plan.

C. UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS

Receive summary of Unmet Transit Needs outreach process for 2012-13 and set public hearing on unmet transit needs for January 19, 2012, 10:00 AM time certain in Santa Maria.

D. ESTIMATED REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN ADOPTION DATE

Approve a letter to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and Department of Transportation (Caltrans) regarding the estimated adoption date of Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

E. TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) AMENDMENT

Adopt a resolution revising the FY 2010-11 Transportation Development Act (TDA) claim for the Santa Maria Organization of Transportation Helpers (SMOOTH) and to provide for TDA adjustments as requested.

F. DYNAMIC RIDESHARING SOFTWARE CONTRACT

Authorize the chair to sign an agreement with Avego, Inc. for Software Consulting Services for the Dynamic Ridesharing Pilot Project in an amount not to exceed \$59,906.

G. TRANSIT SIGNAL PRIORITY PROJECT – UPPER STATE ST.

Authorize the chair to sign a contract with DDL Traffic, Inc. in the amount of \$37,600 for equipment required to implement this project (part of the South Coast ITS Plan) in the City of Santa Barbara.

H. FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Approve Amendment #13 to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program to add Federal Safe Routes to School funding to projects in Santa Barbara County.

I. 2012 STIP/REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Adopt a resolution approving the Regional Transportation Improvement Program for funding made available through the 2012 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funding cycle.

Motion made to approved Consent Calendar.

Motion: Gray Second: Steve Lavagnino

Motion carried: 12-0 (Director Schneider absent)

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Jim Kemp, Executive Director, reported on the following items:

- TIGER III Funding Program applications
- Regional Transit Transfer Policy – pilot program
- Chumash letter requesting they become a voting member of the SBCAG board.

9. CALTRANS DISTRICT DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Aileen Loe, Caltrans District 5, reported on the following items:

- City of Lompoc and County of Santa Barbara Safe Route to School funding
- Letter with responses to question at the October 2011 meeting.
- Highway 101 HOV Public Meeting (3rd of 3) – November 17, 2011
- Draft recommendation for programming the inter-regional portion of the STIP

PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. **MEASURE A ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

A. *Approve introduction (first reading) of an amendment to Ordinance No. 5 of the Santa Barbara Local Transportation Authority to make technical changes to Section 21 (b));*

B. *Read title and waive further reading of the ordinance; and*

C. *Set hearing on December 15, 2011 to consider adoption (second reading) of amendment to Ordinance No. 5.*

Motion made to approve items 10A-C

Motion: Wolf

Second: Farr

Motion carried: 12-0 (Director Schneider absent)

ACTION ITEMS

11. **WESTAR MIXED-USE PROJECT AIRPORT LAND USE PLAN CONSISTENCY REVIEW**

Adopt findings for the Westar Mixed Use Project (Attachment 1) and determine that the project is consistent with the Airport Land Use Plan.

Motion made to adopt finding and determine that the project is consistent with the ALUP.

Motion: Aceves

Second: Larry Lavagnino

Motion carried: 12-0 (Director Schneider absent)

12. **REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES** (20 minutes)

Approve Goals, Objectives & Performance Measures for the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy.

Motion made to approve Goals, Objectives & Performance Measures for the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy.

Motion: Carbajal

Second: Larry Lavagnino

Motion carried: 12-0 (Director Schneider absent)

13. CALTRANS' PROJECT STUDY REPORT REIMBURSEMENT POLICY (20 minutes)

Discuss Caltrans Project Study Report (PSR) reimbursement policy and consider authorizing chair to send letter.

Motion made to authorize chair to send a letter to Governor Brown regarding the PSR reimbursement policy.

Motion: Carbajal Second: Larry Lavagnino

Motion carried: 12-0 (Director Schneider absent)

Motion made to have County Counsel to come back with a confidential memo on Government Code Section 65086.5

Motion: Aceves Second: Gray

Motion carried: 12-0 (Director Schneider absent)

14. REGIONAL GROWTH FORECAST & REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN CONSULTANT ASSISTANCE CONTRACTS

- A. *Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a professional service agreement not to exceed \$15,000 with a qualified consultant with expertise in forecasting for technical assistance in preparation of the Regional Growth Forecast (RGF)*
- B. *Authorize the Executive Director to renew consultant Bob Leiter’s professional service agreement for 2012.*

Motion made to approve items 14A and 14B

Motion: Carbajal Second: Richardson

Motion carried: 12-0 (Director Schneider absent)

INFORMATION ITEMS

15. PROJECT FUNDING PLAN

Receive a report and provide comments to staff on conceptual funding plans being developed for:

- A. *U.S. 101 Union Valley Parkway Interchange*
- B. *Hwy 225 Relinquishment (Las Positas Road \ Cliff Drive)*
- C. *Hwy 166 Safety Improvements*

(Director Schneider arrived at 9:58 a.m.)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gene Zannon, Cuyama Valley Conservancy, addressed the board on east Cuyama Valley traffic safety concerns with the Route 166/Route 33 intersection, speeding through the Ventucopa Townsite and the lack of cell phone coverage in that area.

Marc Chytilo, Cuyama Valley Conservancy, addressed the board on Measure A representation and traffic safety in the Cuyama Valley. He asked that the board amend the ordinance so the residents have Measure A representation on the North County Subregion committee.

Motion made that the Union Valley Parkway Interchange be studied.

Motion: Gray Second: Richardson

Motion carried: 13 -0

Motion made that the Hwy 166 Safety Improvements Project be studied.

Motion: Gray Second: Alvarez

Motion carried: 13-0

Motion made that Highway 101 corridor be considered in this report for the Measure D residual funds.

Motion: Gray Second: Linn

Motion carried: 10-0-3 (Schneider, Farr, Carbajal - abstained)

Motion made to consider Hwy 225 relinquishment when brought back to the board.

Motion: Wolf Second: Schneider

Motion failed: 6-7 (Gray, Alvarez, Linn, Richardson, Larry Lavagnino, Aceves and Sierra – No)

16. MEASURE A ANNUAL REPORT

Receive a presentation on the draft Measure A Annual Report for 2010/2011.

Informational item only, therefore no action was taken.

17. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jim Kemp, Executive Director reported on the LOSSAN Board meeting of October 26.

18. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Public Information Meeting Announcement for U.S. 101 High Occupancy Vehicle Lane Project

- B. Letter from Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians requesting membership on SBCAG board
- C. Letter to California Transportation Commission regarding U.S. 101 Central Coalition Meeting in Santa Barbara on October 13.
- D. Draft TTAC Minutes of November 3
- E. Draft Joint Technical Advisory Committee Minutes of November 3
- F. SBCAG Board Advance Calendar
- G. Letter from SBCAG Chair to California Transportation Commission

19. ADJOURN

Chair Armendariz adjourned the meeting at 11:10 am

The next Board meeting will be held on December 15, 2011, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Santa Barbara.