

**Approved Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS**

Thursday, January 21, 2016

8:30 AM

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

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

Members Present: Directors Carbajal; Wolf; Farr; Adam; Lavagnino; Mosby; Aceves; Clark (via teleconference from Santa Barbara); White (via teleconference from Santa Barbara); Lizalde; Patino; Sierra; Gubbins and Chair Richardson

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2016

Elect Board Chair and Vice-chair for 2016.

Motion made to elect Director Wolf as Chair and Director Bennett as Vice-Chair for 2016.

Motion: Aceves

Second: Carbajal

Motion carried: 13-0

Yes: Carbajal, Wolf, Farr, Adam, Lavagnino, Aceves, Lizalde, Mosby, Clark, White, Sierra, Patino, and Chair Richardson
No: None
Abstention: None
Absent: None

4. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (20 Minutes)

Conference with Legal Counsel (Gov. Code § 54956.9)

Santa Barbara County Superior Court Consolidated Case No. 1468955.

Transportation Futures Committee, et al., v. CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, et al.

and

LAWRENCE GRASSINI, et al., Petitioners, v. CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, et al., Respondent

5. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Director Carbajal recused himself from the Grassini matter.

Bill Dillon, County Counsel, reported that on the Grassini case, the board voted 12-0 to authorize counsel to accept a settlement agreement to waive costs if petitioners agree not to appeal the matter.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approve minutes from the November 19, 2015 board of directors meeting.

Motion made to approve the November 19, 2015 minutes

Motion: Adam

Second: Richardson

Motion carried: 12-0-1

Yes: Carbajal, Farr, Adam, Lavagnino, Lizalde, Mosby, Clark, White, Richardson, Sierra, Patino, and Chair Wolf

No: None

Abstention: Aceves

Absent: None

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

8. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Item 8A was pulled from the Consent Calendar but was not considered separately.

A. LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATIONS PROGRAM

Approve projects for Fiscal Year 2015/16 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program funding for City of Guadalupe, Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District (MTD), North County Intercity Saturday Service and SBCAG Traffic Solutions.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Cameron Gray, CEC, addressed the board on the Low Carbon Transit Program and also in support of the Saturday bus service.

B. PROPOSITION 1B TRANSIT SECURITY PROGRAM

1. *Approve projects for Fiscal Year 2015/16 Proposition 1B Transit Security Grant Program for submittal to the California Office of Emergency Services. The projects are transit security improvements for the City of Lompoc's new maintenance and operations facility; vehicle tracker equipment for Easy Lift; and an Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) system for MTD.*
2. *Adopt a resolution authorizing SBCAG to allocate Proposition 1B Transit Security Program funding in the amount of \$341,078 to local agency projects.*

C. TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT TRIENNIAL PERFORMANCE AUDITS

Authorize the chair to sign contract in the amount of \$100,000 with Michael Baker International to conduct state-mandated triennial performance audits for fiscal years 2012/13-2014/15.

D. AIRPORT LAND USE PLAN CONSISTENCY DETERMINATION – BETTERAVIA PLAZA

Adopt findings for the Betteravia Plaza project and determine that the project is consistent with the County's Airport Land Use Plan.

E. MEASURE A CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Re-appoint members of the Measure A Citizens Oversight Committee whose terms expired in September 2015 to new four-year terms.

Motion made to approve the Consent Calendar.

Motion: Aceves

Second: Carbajal

Motion carried: 13-0

Yes: Carbajal, Farr, Adam, Lavagnino, Aceves, Lizalde, Mosby, Clark, White, Richardson, Sierra, Patino, and Chair Wolf
No: None
Abstention: None
Absent: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. **UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jacob Buxton, Independent Living Resource Center, addressed the board on improved transit within Santa Barbara County between Santa Maria and Santa Barbara.

Amy Mallett, Central Coast Commission, addressed the board on lack of senior transportation between the Santa Ynez Valley and Santa Maria and Santa Barbara.

Kenneth Wolf addressed the board, on the challenge of getting people to use public transportation. Suggested the possible use of cards instead of money, 3 bike racks for bikes, bicycle lockers at the transit center, and larger buses to be able to accommodate motorized scooters and wheelchairs.

Refugio Hernandez addressed the board on public safety issues when using public transportation. Addressed the board on the cleanliness of the Guadalupe Flyer that she rode on to the meeting, also addressed the possibility of a fare increase.

Hold hearing and receive public input on unmet transit needs in Santa Barbara County.

Motion made to receive public comment.

Motion: Farr

Second: Patino

Motion carried: 13-0

Yes: Carbajal, Farr, Adam, Lavagnino, Aceves, Lizalde, Mosby, Clark, White, Richardson, Sierra, Patino, and Chair Wolf

No: None

Abstention: None

Absent: None

10. **SOLVANG ALAMO PINTADO PEDESTRIAN AND BIKE PROJECT**

Hold a public hearing to:

1. *Conduct second reading of an amendment to the Measure A Ordinance to add the Alamo Pintado Pedestrian and Bike Bridge Project in Solvang to the Measure A Investment Plan.*
 2. *Adopt amendment to Measure A Ordinance. (Requires 2/3 vote)*
- A. *Direct staff to prepare a cooperative agreement with the City of Solvang for up to \$600,000 in Measure A funds for the Alamo Pintado Pedestrian and Bike Bridge Project on Highway 246 in the City of Solvang to be considered by the board after the Ordinance amendment becomes effective.*

Motion made to approve items 10A & 10B

Motion: Richardson

Second: Adam

Motion carried: 13-0

Yes: Carbajal, Farr, Adam, Lavagnino, Aceves, Lizalde, Mosby, Clark,
White, Richardson, Sierra, Patino, and Chair Wolf
No: None
Abstention: None
Absent: None

ACTION ITEMS

Item 11 heard before items 9 and 10 due to the 10:00 am time certain Unmet Transit needs.

11. **US 101 CORRIDOR UPDATE**

Receive a presentation on the progress of the US 101 HOV project from staff, the SBCAG Corridor Advisor and the project's public information consultant, Ayars & Associates.

Motion made to accept report.

Motion: Carbajal

Second: Sierra

Motion carried: 13-0

Yes: Carbajal, Farr, Adam, Lavagnino, Aceves, Lizalde, Mosby, Clark,
White, Richardson, Sierra, Patino, and Chair Wolf
No: None
Abstention: None
Absent: None

12. **FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA**

A. Receive report from SBCAG's federal lobbyist, Don Gilcrest, on federal transportation issues including the recently enacted Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST) and approve SBCAG's federal legislative agenda for 2016.

B. Select and authorize SBCAG delegation to schedule meetings in Washington DC to advocate for SBCAG legislative agenda.

Motion made to approve items 12A and 12B and reaffirm the Washington DC delegation to include the Chair, Vice-Chair and past Chair.

Motion: Carbajal

Second: Lavagnino

Motion carried: 13-0

Yes: Carbajal, Farr, Adam, Lavagnino, Aceves, Lizalde, Mosby, Clark, White, Richardson, Sierra, Patino, and Chair Wolf
No: None
Abstention: None
Absent: None

13. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR 2016

- A. *Appoint one delegate and one alternate to the California Association of Councils of Governments (CALCOG).*

Board appointed Director Mosby as delegate and Director Sierra as alternate to to CALCOG.

- B. *Appoint one delegate and one alternate to the Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency (LOSSAN)*

Board appointed Director Carbajal as delegate and Director Schneider as alternate to the Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency (LOSSAN).

- C. *Appoint one delegate and one alternate to the Coast Rail Coordinating Council.*

Board appointed Director Schneider as delegate and Director Clark as alternate to the Coast Rail Coordinating Council.

- D. *Appoint three members and an alternate to serve as SBCAG representatives on the Coastal Express Policy Committee.*

Board appointed Directors Carbajal, Schneider and Wolf as members and Director Clark as alternate to the Coastal Express Policy Steering Committee.

- E. *Appoint one member and one alternate to the CalVans board of directors.*

Board appointed Director Richardson as delegate and Director Wolf as alternate to the CalVans board of directors

- F. *Appoint members to the SBCAG executive committee.*

Board appointed Directors Wolf, Bennett, Richardson and the future North County and South Coast Subregional Chairs as members of the SBCAG executive committee.

Motion made to approve all appointments.

Motion: Richardson

Second: Adam

Motion carried: 13-0

Yes: Carbajal, Farr, Adam, Lavagnino, Aceves, Lizalde, Mosby, Clark,
White, Richardson, Sierra, Patino, and Chair Wolf
No: None
Abstention: None
Absent: None

INFORMATION ITEMS

14. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Jim Kemp, Executive Director, reported on the following:

- Linden/Casitas Project allocation vote - CTC
- STIP Fund Estimate
- State Budget

15. **CALTRANS DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Tim Gubbins, Caltrans District Director, reported on the following items:

- Southbound Hwy 101 and Carrillo water main break – No.3 lane closed
- Storm preparation and Caltrans response
- California Sustainable Freight Strategy workshops and webinar
- Installation of retro reflective signs up and down District 5

16. **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Chair Wolf reported on the December 11, 2015 Coast Express Policy Committee meeting.

Director Carbajal reported on the November 16, 2015 and January 20, 2016 LOSSAN Board meeting.

Director Richardson reported on the January 14, 2016 CalVans Board meeting.

17. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- Board Advance Calendar
- Measure A Citizens Oversight Committee Draft Meeting Minutes – December 14, 2014

18. **ADJOURN**

Chair Wolf adjourned the meeting at 11:57 a.m.

The next Board meeting will be held on February 18, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Santa Barbara.