

Sacramento–Placerville Transportation Corridor Joint Powers Authority

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors on

November 3, 2014

**City of Folsom
Folsom City Hall, Council Chambers
50 Natoma St., Folsom, California**

The meeting was called to order at 9:44 a.m. CEO John Segerdell recorded the roll. The following were determined to be present: Chair Kerri Howell and Directors Linda Budge, Ron Mikulaco, David Sander. Director Don Nottoli was noted as absent.

1. Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2014

Upon motion and second, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of May 21, 2014, as presented.

2. Independent Audit Report Fiscal Year 2013/14

Director Mikulaco requested the item be pulled from Consent for discussion. Director Mikulaco requested more detailed information be provided regarding expenditures for the \$110,000 annual budget, including amounts expended for CEO, administration, and legal counsel. CEO Segerdell indicated this information will be provided.

Upon motion and second the Board voted unanimously to continue the Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2013/2014, to the next JPA Board Meeting, scheduled for February 2, 2015.

3. Updated Contracting Procedures

JPA General Counsel Paul Chrisman presented the item, indicating that on December 2, 1991, the JPA Board adopted the JPA's Contracting Procedures for solicitation and award of contracts for Public Works Projects, Supplies, and Services. The Contracting Procedures were based on the Sacramento Regional Transit District's contracting procedures at that time. The Contracting Procedures were amended in 1996 to provide additional procedures for approval of contracts affecting property rights in the rail corridor, but had not otherwise been amended or updated since 1991.

Staff proposed that the JPA's Contracting Procedures be updated to be consistent with the contracting procedures currently being utilized by the Sacramento Regional Transit District (RT). One proposed change for the

updated procedures was to increase the CEO's authority to approve contracts from \$25,000 to \$100,000. The Board indicated that they felt that the existing level of \$25,000 was adequate, given the level of business conducted by the JPA.

Upon motion and second the Board approved the Resolution adopting the updated Contracting Procedures, with the stipulation that the CEO's signature approval authority remain at \$25,000. The vote was three in favor and one opposed, with the "Yes" votes being cast by Directors Budge and Sander, and Chair Howell, and the "No" vote being cast by Director Mikulaco.

4. CIP Budget Increase and Contract with Foothill Associates

CEO Segerdell presented that in February and May, 2014, the Board approved Capital Projects to develop and construct ten miles of natural trail starting from Latrobe Road in El Dorado County (EDC) and ending at Iron Point in Folsom, and including the development of the Latrobe Station property as a parking/trailhead site. The Board had also approved that the Project be funded from the JPA's Reserve account, in the amount of \$50,000.

The Trail Development Project included as a first step, working with EDC, Sacramento County and the City of Folsom to complete any CEQA action necessary. To satisfy CEQA requirements for the Project, Staff proposed entering into a contract with Foothill Associates for environmental services. The contract would include the performance of the following Tasks:

- Biological Resources Assessment Report
- Wetland Delineation
- Cultural Resources Report
- Project Design refinement
- Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and Notice of Determination

Upon motion and second, the Board approved Resolutions for a \$5,000 increase in the \$50,000 CIP budget for natural trail development, and to authorize the CEO to execute a contract with Foothill Associates for trail development environmental services in the amount of \$53,050. The vote was three in favor and one opposed, with the "Yes" votes being cast by Directors Budge and Sander, and Chair Howell, and the "No" vote being cast by Director Mikulaco.

5. Grade Crossing Applications in Folsom Plan Area

Mark Rackovan from the City of Folsom Public Works Department made a presentation to familiarize the Board with the development known as the Folsom Plan Area Specific Plan (FPA), and identifying locations of proposed grade crossings in the FPA along the JPA rail corridor.

The JPA rail corridor bisects the FPA in a north-south alignment, separating the eastern one-third of the FPA from the rest. In order to provide adequate connectivity and minimize out-of-direction travel, the City is proposing four new at-grade rail crossings in the JPA corridor.

Upon motion and second, the Board unanimously approved a Resolution supporting the City of Folsom's application to the CPUC for grade crossings at four future roadways in the Folsom Plan Area.

6. CEO/Member Agency Staff Reports

CEO Segerdell reported that the agreement with the City of Sacramento for the JPA to acquire the Ramona property had not been consummated due to RT and the City not agreeing on maintenance issues. The CEO also reported that he is working with the City of Rancho Cordova on a trail development project that would utilize the spur line from Mather Station to the Mather airport facility.

EDC staff member Vickie Sanders spoke on the issues with the FEDS not performing weed abatement last spring in El Dorado County due to the County not allowing use of pre-emergents for spraying, and subsequent difficulties the FEDS had getting volunteer crews due to illnesses and other conflicts.

Sacramento County staff member Dan Shoeman reported on the County's project at the Watt/Hwy 50 interchange being nearly complete and plans for the grand opening.

RT staff member Mike Mattos reported on security workshops being held with two community meetings in the upcoming weeks.

Dan Bolster with EDCTC, and consultant Adrian Engel, updated the Board on the Transportation Corridor Analysis Study, including the public meetings that have been held and the anticipated completion of the Study in spring of 2015.

7. Citizens Address Matters Not on the Agenda

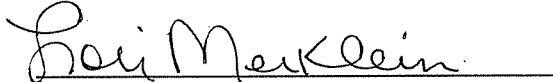
Jim Harville spoke to the Board about the success of the Railfest held in September, and other excursion rail activities.

Bill Anderson provided additional information about the difficulties experienced last spring with weed abatement in El Dorado County, and also about the training of their volunteers that was recently completed for performing the upcoming weed abatement.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be the Regular Board Meeting of February 2, 2015. The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

I hereby certify that the Board of Directors approved the foregoing minutes at its regular board meeting on May 11, 2015.


Lori Merklein, Secretary