



**MCAG Governing Board
Transit Joint Powers Authority Board
Regional Waste Management Authority Board**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DATE

Thursday, August 18, 2022

The regular meeting of the Merced County Association of Governments Governing Board held on Thursday, August 18, 2022 at the Merced County Administration Building, 3rd Floor, Board of Supervisors Chambers, 2222 M Street, Merced, CA and was called to order by Vice Chair Pedrozo at 3:01 p.m.

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Director John Cale
Director Rodrigo Espinosa
Director April Hogue
Director Daron McDaniel
Director Pat Nagy
Director Lloyd Pareira
Director Josh Pedrozo, Vice Chair
Director Scott Silveira

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Director Juan Aguilar
Director Tom Faria
Director Matthew Serratto, Chair

GUESTS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Jose Delgadillo, Citizens Advisory Committee
Nick Jensen, California Rural Legal Assistance **
Juan Martinez, United Way
Marlon Regisford, Caltrans District 10 **
Georgiana Vivian, VRPA Technologies **

MCAG STAFF PRESENT

Alexandra Arroyo, Procurement Specialist I **
Nav Bagri, Deputy Executive Director
Christine Chavez, Transit Manager
John Costa, RWA Operations Manager**
Elizabeth Forte, Director of Planning and Programming
Xavier Garcia, Assistant Planner **
Stacie Guzman, Executive Director
Emily Haden, Legal Counsel
Kristina Hernandez, HR and Risk Management Manager**
Stephanie Jackson, Executive Assistant **
Kyle Loreto, Diversion Programs Manager
Alicia Ochoa-Jones, Procurement Manager
Adam Perez, Assistant Transit Manager
Jose Perez, Assistant Transit Manager
Ty, Phimmasone, Senior Planner**
Meg Prince, Senior Planner
Mary-Michal Rawling, Public Affairs Manager
Mauricio Torres, Assistant Planner
Griselda Villa, Public Program Specialist **
Marty Yerrick, Interim RWA Director
Joy Young, Administrative Assistant II
Daisy Zaragoza, Procurement and Reporting Analyst**

*arrived after roll call

**attended via zoom

1. Call to order

- a. Roll call
- b. ~~Invocation~~
- c. Pledge of allegiance

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present. Director Nagy led the pledge of allegiance.

2. Approval of agenda

Director Silveira moved to approve the MCAG Governing Board meeting agenda for Thursday, August 18, 2022.

Seconded by Director McDaniel.

AYES – Directors Cale, Espinosa, Hogue, McDaniel, Nagy, Pareira, Pedrozo, Silveira

NOES – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Public comment

No public comments were received.

4. Caltrans Report

Marlon Regisford presented the Caltrans report and discussed the following topics:

- Clean California Program is accessible on District 10 webpage at: <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-10/district-10-programs/clean-california>
- District 10 Ambassador Program to enhance communication and strengthen partnership within the county
- Caltrans quick map app has been updated
- Maintenance Deputy Director Mauricio Serrano will be leaving and a temporary Deputy Director will be appointed

Director McDaniel confirmed that the Directors can still contact Mr. Regisford if they have needs, regardless of whom the ambassadors are.

Director Espinosa stated that Highway 59 past the fairgrounds is in need of repair and is really rough right now.

5. Citizens Advisory Committee report

Jose Delgadillo presented the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) report.

6. Information items:

- a. **Merced County Association of Governments**
 - i. Transportation Planning and Measure V update
 - ii. MCAG Governing Board calendar – 2022

- iii. Calendar of meetings, conferences, and events
 - iv. Draft minutes of the August 10, 2022 Technical Review Board meeting
 - v. MCAG newsletter – August 2022
 - vi. City-County Dinner Host Rotation Schedule
 - vii. Quarterly report on Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG) Board approved contracts
- b. **Transit Joint Powers Authority for Merced County**
 - i. TJPA monthly update
 - ii. Quarterly report on Transit Joint Powers Authority for Merced County (TJPA) Board approved contracts
- c. **Merced County Regional Waste Management Authority**
 - i. RWA monthly update
 - ii. Quarterly Report on Merced County Regional Waste Management Authority (RWA) Board approved contracts

So noted.

7. Consent calendar:

- a. **Merced County Association of Governments**
 - i. Approve the minutes of the July 21, 2022 MCAG Governing Board, Transit Joint Powers Authority Board, and the Regional Waste Management Authority Board meeting
 - ii. Affirm adoption of Resolution No. 2021/10-21-03 authorizing the MCAG Governing Board and all of its subordinate committees to hold virtual meetings in accordance with AB 361
 - iii. Adopt the MCAG Regional Travel Model
 - iv. Approve project submittal for the State of Good Repair Program for Fiscal Year 2022-23
 - v. Approve the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council Appointments
- b. **Transit Joint Powers Authority for Merced County**
 - i. None.
- c. **Merced County Regional Waste Management Authority**
 - i. Act on Personal Injury Claim – Subrogation claim by USAA on behalf of their insured, David Black

Director McDaniel moved to approve the consent calendar.

Seconded by Director Espinosa.

AYES – Directors Cale, Espinosa, Hogue, McDaniel, Nagy, Pareira, Pedrozo, Silveira

NOES – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

TRANSIT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY FOR MERCED COUNTY

8. Action items:

None.

9. Discussion items:

None.

MERCED COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

10. Action items:

- a. Adopt the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, Environmental Impact Report, Federal Transportation Improvement Program, and Air Quality Conformity Analysis

Elizabeth Forte summarized the request to adopt the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, Environmental Impact Report, Federal Transportation Improvement Program, and Air Quality Conformity Analysis.

Director Silveira moved to:

- a. Adopt Resolution No. 2022/08-18-05 Certifying the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Program Environmental Impact Report, Adopting Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations, and Adopting the 2022 Mitigation Monitoring Program; and
- b. Adopt Resolution No. 2022/08-18-06 adopting the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program, and Corresponding Air Quality Conformity Analysis.

Seconded by Director Pareira.

AYES – Directors Cale, Espinosa, Hogue, McDaniel, Nagy, Pareira, Pedrozo, Silveira

NOES – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- b. Approve Local Transportation Fund Apportionment for Fiscal Year 2022/23 and adopt associated resolution

Nav Bagri summarized the request to approve the Local Transportation Fund Apportionment for Fiscal Year 2022/23 and adopt the associated resolution.

Director McDaniel moved to adopt Resolution No. 2022/08-18-02 approving the Local Transportation Fund apportionment schedule for Fiscal Year 2022/23 to include an allocation of \$248,395 to jurisdictions for streets and roads.

Seconded by Director Cale.

AYES – Directors Cale, Espinosa, Hogue, McDaniel, Nagy, Pareira, Pedrozo, Silveira

NOES – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- c. Adoption of the Final Merced County Short Range Transit Plan 2022-2027

Mauricio Torres summarized the request to adopt the Final Merced County Short Range Transit Plan 2022-2027.

Director Silveira thanked MCAG staff for attending council meetings and for their commitments in doing community outreach.

Director Silveira moved to adopt the 2022 Merced County Short Range Transit Plan.
Seconded by Director Nagy.

AYES – Directors Cale, Espinosa, Hogue, McDaniel, Nagy, Pareira, Pedrozo, Silveira

NOES – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- d. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract for a consultant to conduct REAP 2.0 Program Development and Public Outreach

Stacie Guzman summarized the request to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract for a consultant to conduct REAP 2.0 Program Development and public outreach.

Director Pareira moved to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a six-month contract for REAP 2.0 Program Development and Public Outreach services in the amount of \$98,365 with Southwest Strategies.

Seconded by Director Hogue.

AYES – Directors Cale, Espinosa, Hogue, McDaniel, Nagy, Pareira, Pedrozo, Silveira

NOES – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- e. Proposed Agenda Item for Consideration: Roles of the Technical Review Board and the Citizens Advisory Committee

Stacie Guzman introduced Director Silveira as the proposer of the agenda item for consideration.

Director Silveira summarized the request to add an item to a future agenda that would clarify the roles and responsibilities of the Citizens Advisory Committee and the Technical Review Board along with a streamlined agenda that is the same for each body that reviews it and to hold a workshop to discuss and direct staff if the MCAG Governing Board meeting is not the appropriate venue for said discussions.

Director Silveira moved to direct staff to prepare information to bring back at a future meeting that would clarify the roles and responsibilities of the Citizens Advisory Committee and the Technical Review Board along with a streamlined agenda process that creates one agenda for all of the boards that review it and to hold a workshop to discuss and direct staff if the MCAG Governing Board meeting is not the appropriate venue for said discussions.

Seconded by Director Cale.

AYES – Directors Cale, Espinosa, Hogue, McDaniel, Nagy, Pareira, Pedrozo, Silveira

NOES – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. Discussion items:

None.

MERCED COUNTY REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY-

12. Action items:

- a. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a six-year contract for the installation of GPS equipment and support services in the amount of \$231,222 with RDO Integrated Controls

Marty Yerrick summarized the request to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a six-year contract for the installation of GPS equipment and support services in the amount of \$231,222 with RDO Integrated Controls.

Director Silveira moved to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a six-year contract for the purchase of GPS equipment, installation, training and support services in the amount of \$231,222 with RDOIC.

Seconded by Director Pareira.

AYES – Directors Cale, Espinosa, Hogue, McDaniel, Nagy, Pareira, Pedrozo, Silveira

NOES – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

13. Discussion items:

- a. SB 1383 Organic Waste Processing or Transfer Request for Proposal

Kyle Loreto presented the SB 1383 Organic Waste Processing or Transfer request for proposal stating that RWA and HF&H staff will present to participating agencies before bringing the final contract back to the Governing Board for approval.

OTHER REPORTS

14. Executive Director's report

Stacie Guzman discussed the following topics:

- Thanked Marty Yerrick for coming back to help out as Interim RWA Director
- Introduced Meg Prince as the new Senior Transportation Planner
- Introduced Adam Perez as our new Assistant Transit Manager for Maintenance in the Transit department

15. Directors' Reports

Director Silveira stated that we need to think about the life of our landfills and how many years we have left.

Vice Chair Pedrozo thanked MCAG staff on the preparation and community outreach of the RTP/SCS.

16. Adjournment

There being no further business of the MCAG Governing Board, Vice Chair Pedrozo adjourned the meeting at 4:04 p.m.

_____/s/
Joy Young, Administrative Assistant II