

MADERA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2004
Time: 3:05 P.M.
Place: Madera County Government Center,
Board of Supervisor Chambers

Members Present:

Vice-Chair Gordon Skeels - Councilman, City of Madera
Alfred Ginsburg - Councilman, City of Chowchilla
Ronn Dominici – Supervisor, Madera County
Alt. Vern Moss – Supervisor, Madera County

Members Absent:

Chairman Frank Bigelow - Supervisor, Madera County
Gary Svanda - Councilman, City of Madera
Gary Gilbert – Supervisor, Madera County

Policy Advisory Committee:

Above Members present and Caltrans Representatives:
Alan McCuen

MCTC Staff Present:

Patricia S. Taylor-Maley, Executive Director
Derek Winning, Planner II
Lester Koga, Planner I

MCTC sitting as the Transportation Policy Committee.

I.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II.

PUBLIC COMMENT

This portion of the meeting is reserved for person(s) wishing to address the MCTC on items within their jurisdiction but not on this agenda.

There were no public comments.

III.

TRANSPORTATION CONSENT ITEMS

A.

Rescue Transportation Proposal

Included in the Commissioners packet was a copy of the synopsis of the Rescue Transportation proposal drafted by the Self-Help Coalition for consideration as a constitutional amendment on the November 2006 statewide ballot. The information included in your package outlines the following:

1. Identifies problems that the proposal is addressing; and
2. Summary of principal components, broken down into four categories

The proposal is in draft form and the Coalition is seeking the comments and conceptual position of public transportation agencies and the comments and advice of the private sector relative to each of the categories and their components. The Coalition is interested in feedback on the proposed constitutional amendment to “Rescue Transportation” by:

- Providing greater stability for transportation funding and provide revenue more consistent with growth in travel demand than existing sources;

- Creating a “firewall” to remove any linkage between transportation funding and the state general fund;
- Providing greater autonomy and more flexibility to Caltrans; and
- Changing the composition of the CTC to provide more autonomy and grant it the authority to set rates for transportation fees and taxes, within specified parameters, in order to accomplish the first goal.

Action: Information and Discussion Only.

IV. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. 2004 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 1 – Resolution 04-13 Amendment No. 1

MCTC had received requests from Caltrans, Madera County, and the City of Madera to formally amend projects in the 2004/05-2009/10 FTIP as follows:

Caltrans

MAD410001 -- HBRR Program; make consistent with state/local assistance programming
MAD406001 -- SHOPP Program; advance \$16,692,000 from 2006/07 to 2007/08

Madera County

MAD102032 -- CMAQ Program; traffic signal @ Ave. 12/Rd. 36; add \$56,000 construction in 2004/05
MAD102041 -- CMAQ Program; add shoulder paving project @ various locations; fund fund \$1,158,000 in 2004/05
MAD113028 -- Section 5311; new project, Operating Assistance add \$300,000 in 2005/06

City of Madera

MAD217002 -- Regional Choice Program; SR 99/Gateway Drive off-ramp Phase I project; fund \$280,000 in PE & RW 2004/05, fund \$5,500,000 construction 2005/06
MAD213044 -- Section 5307; new project, purchase 1 bus @ \$65,000, 2004/05
MAD213045 -- Section 5307; new project, Op/Maint facility I @ \$500,000, 2004/05
MAD213046 -- Section 5307; new project, Intermodal facility @ \$3,000, 2004/05
MAD213047 -- Section 5307; new project, Intermodal facility @ \$3,000, 2005/06
MAD213049 -- Section 5307; new project, purchase 2 buses @ \$134,000, 2005/06
MAD213050 -- Section 5307; new project, Op/Main facility II @ \$335,000, 2005/06
MAD213051 -- Section 5307, new project, Intermodal facility @ \$4,000, 2006/07
MAD213052 -- Section 5307, new project, purchase 6 shelters @ \$62,000, 2006/07
MAD213053 -- Section 5307, new project, MAX op assistance @ \$429,000, 2007/08
MAD213054 -- Section 5307, new project, DAR op assistance @ \$458,000, 2007/08
MAD213055 -- Section 5307, new project, Intermodal facility @ \$4,000, 2007/08
MAD213056 -- Section 5307, new project, purchase buses @ \$326,000, 2007/08

Action: The Commission unanimously approved the 2004 FTIP Amendment No. 1 - Resolution 04-13 Amendment No. 1.

B. Administrative Amendment – 2004 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 2 – Resolution 04-13 Amendment No. 2

MCTC had received requests from Madera County and the City of Madera to administratively amend projects in the 2004/05-2009/10 FTIP as follows:

Madera County

MAD102038 -- CMAQ Program; traffic signal @ SR41/Rd. 200; program \$200,000 PE in 2004/05
MAD102039 -- CMAQ Program; traffic signal @ SR41/Yosemite Springs Parkway; program \$200,000 PE in 2004/05

City of Madera

MAD213027 -- Section 5307; MAX operating assistance \$379,000, prior years
MAD213030 -- Section 5307; DAR operating assistance \$435,000, prior years
MAD213032-- Section 5307; DAR operating assistance \$419,000, 2004/05
MAD213035 -- Section 5307; DAR operating assistance \$432,000, 2005/06
MAD213036 -- Section 5307; DAR purchase 1 bus @68,000, 2005/06
MAD213038 -- Section 5307; DAR operating assistance \$445,000, 2006/07
MAD213040 -- Section 5307, MAX operating assistance \$393,000 2004/05
MAD213041 -- Section 5307, MAX operating assistance \$405,000 2005/06
MAD213042 -- Section 5307, MAX operating assistance \$417,000 2006/07
MAD213043 -- Section 5307, MAX purchase 2 buses @ \$140,000 2006/07

City of Chowchilla

MAD313026 -- Section 5311, operating assistance FY 2004/05 @ \$193,000

Action: The Commission unanimously approved the 2004 FTIP Amendment No. 2 – Resolution 04-13 Amendment No 2.

C. State Route 99 Interstate Proposal, Report and Recommendation

Included in the Commissioner's packet was a copy of an updated report from Caltrans and a letter from Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director, Fresno COG explaining the recommendation that emerged from the October 19th meeting in Modesto. Fresno COG has taken a lead in participating as stakeholders in the negotiations both at the state and federal level regarding the proposal for SR 99 to become an interstate. Therefore, Fresno COG is providing a leadership role to the other Valley Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO's) concerning this proposal. The letter recommends that the Interstate 99 Proposal Update be presented to the various Valley MPO Policy Boards. The memorandum also seeks the MPO's cooperation in the gathering of local concerns and "dealbreakers" that need to be addressed through any negotiation process.

Caltrans will be in attendance to discuss its updated report as well as the interchanges that would be affected if a strict interpretation of current interstate standards were to be applied, with no waivers or exceptions.

Action: Information and Discussion

V. REAFFIRM ALL ACTIONS TAKEN WHILE SITTING AS THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Action: The Commission unanimously approved to reaffirm all actions taken while sitting as the Transportation Policy Committee.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS

A. Executive Minutes of October 20, 2004

Included in the Commissioner's packet was a copy of the October 20, 2004 Executive Minutes for review.

Action: Approve the September, 2004 Executive Minutes.

Administrative Consent Calendar Action: The Commission unanimously approved the Administrative Consent Calendar (Item VI. A).

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

VIII. Miscellaneous

A. *Items from Caltrans*

Alan McCuen reported that Caltrans has announced Will Kempton as the new Caltrans Director.

B. *Items from Staff*

Patricia Taylor-Maley handed out the following information:

- Press release on Broad-based Coalition rallies to protect Proposition 42
- Letter from Business Transportation and Housing Agency informing MCTC of two Section 5313b grants that have been approved for funding
 - a) Strategic Implementation Plan for Public Transit Services - \$44,265
 - b) Transit Facilities Needs Analysis - \$61,971

C. *Items from Commissioners*

No Items from the Commissioners.

IX. *Adjournment*

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Next meeting set for Wednesday, January 19, 2005.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia S. Taylor-Maley, Executive Director
Madera County Transportation Commission