

MADERA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, March 17, 2010

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Place: MCTC Board Chambers

Members Present: Chairman Jim Kopshever– Councilman, City of Chowchilla
Vice Chairman Robert Poythress – Councilman, City of Madera
Max Rodriguez – Supervisor, Madera County
Tom Wheeler – Supervisor, Madera County
Frank Bigelow – Supervisor, Madera County
Sam Armentrout – Councilman, City of Madera

Members Absent: None

Policy Advisory Committee: Above Members present and Caltrans Representatives:
Sharri Bender Ehlert

MCTC Staff Present: Patricia Taylor, Executive Director
Derek Winning, Executive Deputy
Richard Poythress, Planner I
Dylan Stone, Planner I
Sheila Kingsley, Administrative Assistant

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 was not Public Comment.

III. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT ITEMS

A. *Initiate 2010-11 Unmet Transit Needs Process*

The State Transportation Development Act (TDA) requires that the MCTC Policy Board determine that public transportation needs within Madera County will be reasonably met in FY 2010/11 prior to approving claims of Local Transportation Funds (LTF) for streets and roads. The MCTC's Social Service Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) is responsible for evaluating unmet transit needs. Each year the SSTAC begins the process of soliciting comments from the public by sending letters to agencies and individuals interested in providing feedback on their public transportation needs within Madera County. The request for comments letters, was included in the Commissioner's packet, will be mailed late February 2010.

MCTC's Unmet Transit Needs public hearing is scheduled as follows:

- PUBLIC HEARING – Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.
Location: Madera County Transportation Commission Board Room
2001 Howard Road, Suite 201, Madera, CA

First Transit will provide free demand response service to the hearing. A Spanish language interpreter will also be available for those who wish to testify in Spanish. A public notice will be printed in the local newspapers and flyers will be distributed throughout the community publicizing the hearing.

Action: Information and discussion only.

Transportation Consent Calendar Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Poythress, seconded by Commissioner Wheeler to approve the Transportation Consent Calendar (Item III A). A vote was called and the motion carried.

IV. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Public Hearing: 2009 Federal Transportation Improvement Program - Resolution 08-11 Amendment No. 14

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT AMENDMENT #15 TO THE 2009 INTERIM FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC) will hold a public hearing on March 17, 2010 at 3 p.m. at the MCTC Board Room at 2001 Howard Road, Suite 201, Madera, CA 93637 regarding the Draft Amendment #15 to the 2009 Interim Federal Transportation Improvement Program (Interim FTIP). The purpose of the hearing is to receive public comments.

- The 2009 Interim FTIP is a listing of capital improvement and operational expenditures utilizing federal and state monies for transportation projects in Madera County during the next four years that are eligible to proceed without a conformity determination.
- The Draft Amendment #15 to the 2009 Interim FTIP is a Type 3 amendment that contains project phases and/or projects that have been determined to be exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination and/or regional emissions analysis be performed per 40 CFR 93.126, 93.127, or 93.128. Because the projects are exempt, no further conformity determination is required.

A concurrent 7-day public review and comment period will commence on March 10, 2010 and conclude March 17, 2010 at 3:00pm. The draft documents are available for review at the MCTC office, located at 2001 Howard Road, Suite 201, Madera, CA 93637 and on the MCTC website at <http://www.maderactc.org/>.

Public comments are welcomed at the hearing, or may be submitted in writing by 3:00pm on March 17, 2010 to Derek Winning at the address below.

After considering the comments, the documents will be considered for adoption, by resolution, by the Madera County Transportation Commission at a regularly scheduled meeting to be held on March 17, 2010. The documents will then be submitted to state and federal agencies for approval.

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3:04 p.m. Chairman Kopshever opened the floor for public comment.

Being no public comment, Chairman Kopshever closed the floor at 3:05 p.m.

Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Wheeler, seconded by Commissioner Poythress to approve the Madera County 2009 FTIP Resolution 08-11 Amendment No. 15. A vote was called and the motion carried.

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 January 20, 2010 and February 17, 2010

Included in the Commissioner's packet were copies of the January 20, 2010 and February 17, 2010 Executive Minutes.

Action: Approve Executive Minutes of January 20, 2010 and February 17, 2010.

B. Local Transportation Fund Amendment - Resolution 09-09 Amendment No. 3

The City of Madera has requested to amend their Local Transportation Fund. They have requested to carryover unspent FY 2008/09 funds into their FY 2009/10 funds as follows:

- Increase "Pedestrian & "Bicycle Projects" by \$54,200
- Increase "MAX-Capital" by \$144,000
- Add "Fresno River Trail" for \$241,948
- Increase "Intermodal Operations & Capital" by \$5,971
- Add "Transit Maintenance Facility" for \$10,000
- Increase "CMAQ Projects Local Match" by \$157,596
- Increase "Misc Concrete Projects" by \$299,197
- Increase "Traffic warrant/studies" by \$25,000
- Add "CIP Engineering/Admin" for \$600,000
- Add "CNG Fueling Station" for \$178,000
- Add "Unprogrammed balance" for \$612,500

Action: Approve Resolution 09-09 Amendment No. 3

Administrative Consent Calendar Action

Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Armentrout, seconded by Commissioner Poythress to approve the Administrative Consent Calendar. A vote was called and the motion carried.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. 2009-10 OWP Budget Amendment No. 2

At the January 2010 Board Meeting staff presented Budget Amendment No. 1 and mentioned that another budget amendment would occur at the March Board Meeting. Staff present the amendment as a handout at the meeting. The standard amendment which reflects line item changes as a result of current spending and any carryover balances that have occurred as a result of closing out the FY 2008-09 books. Staff is not expecting any changes which would be considered controversial.

Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Armentrout, seconded by Commissioner Poythress to approve FY 2009-10 OWP Budget Amendment No. 2. A vote was called and the motion carried.

MCTC Sitting as the Madera County 2006 Transportation Authority

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. 2010-11 Measure "T" Allocation Estimate

The 2010-11 Measure "T" Allocation Estimate was included in the Commissioner's packet. The estimate provides a not to exceed budget allocation for each Measure "T" program for each agency. The estimated annual revenue projection is furnished by the County Auditor's Office.

Staff has requested that each agency prepare their Annual Expenditure Plan (AEP) identifying how each agency anticipates spending the funds in FY 2010-11 for each category, including the subcategories. The AEPs will then be incorporated into the Annual Work Program which will be presented as a draft document at the June Board meeting.

Action: Information and Discussion only.

IX. Miscellaneous

A. Items From Caltrans

Caltrans updated the Commission on the current status on local Bond projects in Madera County.

B. Items from Staff

Staff informed the Board of the upcoming Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing.

C. Items from Commissioners

Commissioner Bigelow inquired about a Madera project that went before the California Transportation Commission.

Commissioner Bigelow was not aware of the Item on the CTC Agenda and asked for staff to contact CTC Commissioner Darius Assemi who spoke on behalf of Madera supporting this project.

Staff follow-up:

Staff contacted Commissioner Assemi he stated that the project was a SR 99 Caltrans rehab project through Madera. He said it was presented as a design build candidate project and he did speak in support of the project. He said that the Caltrans application was an informational item. As Sharri Bender Ehlert mentioned at the board meeting in March, it is great to have a San Joaquin Valley advocate on the Commission. Staff was also told by Ms. Bender Ehlert that Caltrans did a lot of behind the scenes work with CTC staff to keep that project on the list and that they are thankful for Mr. Assemi's support.

MCTC staff will continue to work with Commissioner Assemi as well as Caltrans prior to CTC meetings when we have projects coming up for a vote. Staff requested Ms. Bender Ehlert to inform MCTC staff on Caltrans' projects as well as they move through the CTC.

X. *Adjournment*

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Next MCTC meeting set for Wednesday, April 21, 2010

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia S. Taylor, Executive Director
Madera County Transportation Commission