

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
ASSOCIATION OF MONTEREY BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS**

November 18, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, President, Steve McShane presiding, convened at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 18, 2020 via GoToWebinar.

2. ROLL CALL

<u>AMBAG Board of Directors</u>			
PRESENT:			
Agency	Representative	Agency	Representative
Capitola	Kristen Petersen	Watsonville	Felipe Hernandez
Carmel-by-the-Sea	Bobby Richards	County of Monterey	John Phillips
Del Rey Oaks	Louise Goetzelt	County of Santa Cruz	Greg Caput
Gonzales	Scott Funk	County of Santa Cruz	Bruce McPherson
Greenfield	Lance Walker	County of San Benito	Anthony Botelho
Hollister	Carol Lenoir	County of San Benito	Mark Medina
King City	Carlos Victoria		
Marina	Lisa Berkley		
Monterey	Ed Smith	<u>Ex-Officio Members:</u>	
Salinas	Steve McShane	Caltrans, District 5	Scott Eades
San Juan Bautista	John Freeman	MBARD	Richard Stedman
Sand City	Mary Ann Carbone	MPAD	Michael LaPier
Santa Cruz	Renee Golder	SBtCOG	Mary Gilbert
Seaside	Jon Wizard	SC METRO	John Urgo
		TAMC	Debbie Hale
ABSENT:			
Pacific Grove	Jenny McAdams	<u>Ex-Officio Members:</u>	
Scotts Valley	Derek Timm	CCCE	JR Killigrew
Soledad	Marisela Lara	MST	Lisa Rheinheimer
County of Monterey	Mary Adams	SCCRTC	Guy Preston

Others Present: Beth Jarosz, PRB Consultant; John Baker, CPUC; Diane Eidam, Retired Annuitant; Heather Adamson, Director of Planning; Amaury Berteaud, Special Projects Manager; Bhupendra Patel, Director of Modeling; Sasha Tepedelenova, Associate Planner; Bobbie Grant, Office Assistant; Will Condon, Planner; Gina Schmidt, GIS Coordinator; Maura Twomey, Executive Director; and Ana Flores, Senior Executive Assistant.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no written comments or oral comments from the public.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Director Caput reported that Governor Newsom is considering a new shelter in place order for counties currently in the purple tier. This will make it difficult on small business.

5. ELECTION OF 2021 AMBAG OFFICERS

Director Smith reported that due to the pandemic, the Committee recommends that the Slate of officers remain the same through 2021. The Committee nominated Director McShane as President, Director Petersen and 1st Vice President, and Director Walker as 2nd Vice President.

Motion made by Director McPherson, seconded by Director Hernandez to elect Steve McShane as President, Kristen Petersen as 1st Vice President and Lance Walker as 2nd Vice President. The motion passed unanimously.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive/Finance Committee

President McShane reported that the Executive/Finance Committee approved the consent agenda that included 1) the minutes of the September 9, 2020 meeting; 2) list of warrants as of September 30, 2020; and 3) accounts receivable as of September 30, 2020. The Executive/Finance Committee also received the financial update report from Maura Twomey, Executive Director.

B. Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS) Advisory Council (SAC)

President McShane announced that Paul Michel is leaving his position as Superintendent of the MBNMS. President McShane reported that the SAC received presentations on developing best practices for unmanned aerial vehicles uses in the MBNMS.

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Maura Twomey, Executive Director reported the Central Coast Housing Working Group will meet on November 20, 2020. The CCHWG will be reviewing the Best Practices Tool Kit.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Draft Minutes of the October 14, 2020 AMBAG Board of Directors Meeting

The draft minutes of the October 14, 2020 AMBAG Board of Directors meeting were approved.

B. AMBAG Regional Clearinghouse Monthly Newsletter

The AMBAG Regional Clearinghouse Monthly Newsletter was accepted.

C. AMBAG Sustainability Program Update

The AMBAG Sustainability Program Update was accepted.

D. Draft 2021 Calendar of Meetings

The Draft 2021 Calendar of Meetings was approved.

E. Financial Update Report

The financial update report was accepted.

Motion made by Director Phillips, seconded by Director Hernandez to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

None.

10. PLANNING

A. Conduct a Public Hearing for the Draft Monterey Bay Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP): FFY 2020-21 to 2023-24

A public hearing for the Draft MTIP: FFY 2020-21 to 2023-24 was conducted. No comments were received.

B. Final 2022 Regional Growth Forecast

Heather Adamson, Director of Planning gave a report on the Final 2022 Regional Growth Forecast (RGF). Ms. Adamson reported that in the 2022 RGF shows slowing growth in the AMBAG region. The RGF is the forecast for the tri-county area and forecasts population, housing and employment. The base year is 2015 but use some data through 2019 and 2020. The horizon year is 2045 and is the basis for planning for growth in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategies (MTP/SCS), transportation project level analysis, corridor studies, and economic analysis. The forecast numbers are input for the Regional Travel Demand Model which forecasts travel patterns. The purpose of the RGF is to show what is likely to occur for transportation planning purposes. General Plans often look at the full potential of build out in order to address potential environmental impacts. The Regional forecast is being developed on a different time line than General Plans. Due to different goals and different timelines the numbers will not match exactly with any given General Plan. Ms. Adamson reported that the final 2022 RGF is lower than the prior forecast reflecting recent changes in demographic trends and from implications from COVID-19. The implications of the pandemic are 1) birth rates were already at historic lows and the pandemic has likely reduced them further; 2) life expectancy was already stalled and the coronavirus has increased mortality; 3) migration was already stalled and the coronavirus has virtually halted international

migration; and 4) job growth was robust but has fallen sharply in 2020. There are losses across all sectors due to the pandemic and there are still many unknowns. Ms. Adamson reported that in the 2022 RGF for the AMBAG region, employment is expected to grow at a rate slightly lower than the rate predicted in the 2018 RGF. Population is also expected to grow more slowly. The subregional forecast numbers were reviewed with all jurisdictions and their feedback was incorporated into the final draft subregional forecast. Staff conducted more than 80 one-on-one meetings to date with local jurisdictions and was discussed at Planning Director Forums. The next steps are 1) AMBAG modeling staff will work with local jurisdictions staff to use the forecast data to update the traffic analysis zones (TAZs) in the regional travel demand model and 2) continue development of the 2045 MTP/SCS. Brief discussion followed.

Director Botelho thanked staff for helping in reevaluating the housing numbers in San Benito County.

Director Freeman thanked Maura Twomey, Heather Adamson, and Mary Gilbert for meeting with San Benito County, listening, and adjusting the housing numbers.

Director Medina thanked staff for their help guiding them through the process and meeting with the San Benito County.

Motion made by Director Caput, seconded by Director Smith to approve the Final 2022 Regional Growth Forecast. The motion passed unanimously.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM

AMBAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ATTENDANCE & VOTING RECORD
BOARD MEETING DATE: November 18, 2020

Attendance (X= Present; AB= Absent) Voting (Y= Yes; N=No; A=Abstain)					
MEMBER	AMBAG REP	Attendance	Item# 5.A	Item# 8	Item# 10.B
Capitola	Kristen Petersen	X	X	X	X
Carmel-by-the-Sea	Bobby Richards	X	X	X	X
Del Rey Oaks	Louise Goetzelt	X	X	X	X
Gonzales	Scott Funk	X	X	X	X
Greenfield	Lance Walker	X	X	X	X
Hollister	Carol Lenoir	X	X	X	X
King City	Carlos Victoria	X	X	X	X
Marina	Lisa Berkley	X	X	X	X
Monterey	Ed Smith	X	X	X	X
Pacific Grove	Jenny McAdams	AB	N/A	N/A	N/A
Salinas	Steve McShane	X	X	X	X
San Juan Bautista	John Freeman	X	X	X	X
Sand City	Mary Ann Carbone	X	X	X	X
Santa Cruz	Renee Golder	X	X	X	N/A
Scotts Valley	Derek Timm	AB	N/A	N/A	N/A
Seaside	Jon Wizard	X	X	X	X
Soledad	Marisela Lara	AB	N/A	N/A	N/A
Watsonville	Felipe Hernandez	X	X	X	X
County-Monterey	Mary Adams	AB	N/A	N/A	N/A
County-Monterey	John Phillips	X	X	X	X
County-Santa Cruz	Bruce McPherson	X	X	X	X
County-Santa Cruz	Greg Caput	X	X	X	X
County-San Benito	Anthony Botelho	X	X	X	X
County-San Benito	Mark Medina	X	X	X	X

(* = Board Member(s) arrived late or left early, therefore, did not vote on the item. Please refer the minutes)