



# DRAFT MINUTES

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 9, 2015

### 1. Roll Call

Chair Avalos called the meeting to order at 11:07 a.m.

**Present at Roll Call:** Commissioners Avalos, Campos, Cohen and Mar (4)

**Absent at Roll Call:** Commissioner Kim (entered during Item 2) (1)

### Consent Calendar

#### 2. Approve the Minutes of the May 12, 2015 Meeting – ACTION

#### 3. Recommend Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute Annual Contract Renewals and Options for Various Annual Professional Services in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,950,000 and to Modify Contract Payment Terms and Non-Material Contract Terms and Conditions – ACTION

There was no public comment.

The Consent Calendar was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Campos, Cohen and Mar (4)

Absent: Commissioner Kim (1)

Before adjournment, Commissioner Kim moved to rescind the Consent Calendar approved in her absence, seconded by Commissioner Campos. The motion to rescind the Consent Calendar was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Campos, Cohen, Kim and Mar (5)

The Consent Calendar was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Campos, Cohen, Kim and Mar (5)

### End of Consent Calendar

### 4. State and Federal Legislative Update – INFORMATION

Mark Watts, State Legislative Advocate for the Transportation Authority, presented the item per the legislative matrix.

Mr. Watts reported that the Self-Help Counties Coalition was closely following Assembly Bill (AB) 194, which dealt with high-occupancy toll (HOT) lanes. He said it was initially competing with a measure proposed by Governor Brown's administration that did not advance. He stated that AB 194 had cleared the Assembly and was pending referral in the Senate Rules Committee. He added that TransForm had proposed amendments to allow excess HOT lane revenue to be used for transit services and active transportation, rather than just highway maintenance. He said

another issue under discussion was whether to subsidize transponders for low- and moderate-income drivers. He said that AB 194 had language that required the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) to consult with local agencies including the Transportation Authority when developing HOT lanes and would allow local agencies to develop HOT lanes up until the implementation phase.

Mr. Watts said that Senate Bill (SB) 16 had advanced to the Senate floor and would likely be addressed in August. He said that MTC was seeking amendments to make existing self-help counties eligible for the 5% set aside to reward jurisdictions that raise new transportation revenues, to allow state funds to be spent on highway operations and management not just rehabilitation and maintenance, and to make the measures permanent beyond the initial five years.

Mr. Watts reported stated that AB 40, which was previously written to prohibit tolls on the Golden Gate Bridge for bicyclists and pedestrians, was now broadened to include all bridges under state or local control that provided access for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Chair Avalos asked if there had always been a watch position on AB 1360, which Mr. Watts confirmed. Chair Avalos noted that the city was still developing a position on how to deal with transportation network companies and said he would consider an oppose position until policymakers had a chance to catch up with the state legislature.

Commissioner Mar asked about four bills proposed by Senator Canella aimed at reducing speeds near schools. He noted the support position on SB 564 and asked for a status update on the three related bills that had watch positions: SB 595, SB 632, and SB 698. Mr. Watts replied that SB 632 was a two-year bill since the author was working with the California Department of Transportation on a path forward. He said the other bills were likely to move forward as written.

Commissioner Kim asked for an update on AB 528 which would prohibit Bay Area Rapid Transit strikes. Mr. Watts responded that the bill was not going to proceed this year or next year.

During public comment, Andrew Yip spoke on local transportation improvements.

**5. Recommend Awarding a Three-Year Professional Services Contract, with an Option to Extend for Two Additional One-Year Periods, to Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP in an Amount Not to Exceed \$300,000 for Annual Audit Services, and Authorizing the Executive Director to Negotiate Contract Payment Terms and Non-Material Contract Terms and Conditions – ACTION**

Cynthia Fong, Deputy Director for Finance and Administration, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

There was no public comment.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Cohen, Kim and Mar (4)

Absent: Commissioner Campos (1)

**6. Recommend Increasing the Amount of the Professional Services Contract with Parsons Brinckerhoff, Inc. by \$224,600 for a Total Amount Not to Exceed \$596,600, for Planning and Engineering Services for the 19th Avenue/M-Ocean View Project Pre-**

**Environmental Study Phase and Authorizing the Executive Director to Modify Contract Payment Terms and Non-Material Contract Terms and Conditions – ACTION**

Lis Brisson, Senior Transportation Planner, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Commissioner Mar asked about the location of the proposed state-owned bridge.

Ms. Brisson responded that the proposed bridge included in the feasibility study would cross Highway 1 from Font Boulevard to Randolph Street, and would require lowering the highway. She said since the bridge would cross a state right of way traveled by 72,000 vehicles per day, the challenge of disrupting traffic to build the bridge was one of the reasons they decided to consider alternative options.

There was no public comment.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Cohen, Kim and Mar (4)

Absent: Commissioner Campos (1)

**7. Recommend Adopting the Proposed Fiscal Year 2015/16 Annual Budget and Work Program – ACTION**

Cynthia Fong, Deputy Director for Finance and Administration, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

There was no public comment.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Campos, Cohen, Kim and Mar (5)

**8. Introduction of New Items**

There was no public comment.

**9. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.