

**MADERA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**EXECUTIVE MINUTES**

**Date:** February 17, 2021  
**Time:** 3:00 pm  
**Place:** MCTC Conference Room

**GoToWebinar**

**Members Present:** Chairman, Jose Rodriguez, Council Member, City of Madera  
Vice-Chairman, Tom Wheeler, Supervisor, County of Madera  
Waseem Ahmed, Council Member City of Chowchilla  
Brett Frazier, Supervisor Madera County  
CeCe Gallegos, Council Member, City of Madera  
Robert Poythress, Supervisor, County of Madera

**Members Absent:** None

**Policy Advisory Committee:** Above Members, Michael Navarro, Caltrans District 06, Deputy Director

**MCTC Staff:** Patricia Taylor, Executive Director  
Troy McNeil, Deputy Director/Fiscal Supervisor  
Dylan Stone, Principal Regional Planner  
Jeff Findley, Principal Regional Planner  
Evelyn Espinosa, Associate Regional Planner  
Sandy Ebersole, Administrative Analyst  
Sheila Kingsley, Office Assistant

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

This time is made available for comments from the public on matters within the Board's jurisdiction that are not on the agenda. Each speaker will be limited to three (3) minutes. Attention is called to the fact that the Board is prohibited by law from taking any substantive action on matters discussed that are not on the agenda, and no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the Board does not respond to the public comment at this time. It is requested that no comments be made during this period on items that are on today's agenda. Members of the public may comment on any item that is on today's agenda when the item is called and should notify the Chairman of their desire to address the Board when that agenda item is called.

Supervisor Wheeler recognized and informed the Policy Board about the Notice of Availability of Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration / Environmental Assessment for the South Madera – 6 Lane Project.

No other public comment.

## MCTC SITTING AS THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

### 4. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT ITEMS

All items on the consent agenda are considered routine and non-controversial by MCTC staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the Committee or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Committee concerning the item before action is taken.

- A. Letter of Support: Distribution of Federal H.R. 133 Highway Funds for California  
**Action:** Information and Discussion Only
- B. Caltrans Interregional Transportation Strategic Plan  
**Action:** Direct MCTC staff to draft a letter supporting the inclusion of SR 41 from San Joaquin River to Yosemite National Park for inclusion in the Interregional Transportation Strategic Plan (ITSP)
- C. Performance Measure 1: Safety Target Acceptance  
**Action:** Adopt the statewide targets for all five safety performance measures for 2021
- D. San Joaquin Valley Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Workshop  
**Action:** Information and Discussion Only
- E. List of Transportation Acronyms  
**Action:** Information and Discussion Only
- F. State Budget and Allocation Capacity and Development Process for the 2022 State Transportation Improvement Program Fund Estimate  
**Action:** Information and Discussion Only
- G. Initiate FY 2021-2022 Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing Process  
**Action:** Information and Discussion Only
- H. Baseline Agreement – State Route 9 Madera South (Avenue 7 to Avenue 12)  
**Action:** Authorize Executive Director to execute a Trade Corridor Enhancement Project Baseline Agreement for the Right of Way Phase of the Avenue 7 to Avenue 12 Project
- I. California High Speed Rail Authority Revised Draft 2020 Business Plan

**Action:** Information and Discussion Only

- J. Open House for the SR 41/Ave 9 Sustainable Corridors Study

**Action:** Information and Discussion Only

- K. Valley Voice – Sacramento Trip

**Action:** Information and Discussion Only

**Transportation Consent Calendar Action on Items A-K.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Tom Wheeler, seconded by Commissioner Brett Frazier to approve Transportation Consent Calendar Items A-K. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes: Commissioner Robert Poythress – Yes  
Commissioner Jose Rodriguez – Yes  
Commissioner Tom Wheeler -Yes  
Commissioner Waseem Ahmed – Yes  
Commissioner Brett Frazier- Yes  
Commissioner CeCe Gallegos - Yes  
Vote passed 6-0

**5. TRANSPORTATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- L. Introduction to Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process – MCTC 101, Part 1 of 2

**Action:** Information and Discussion Only

- M. 2021 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Draft Air Quality Conformity Analysis

**Action:** Upon motion by Commissioner Brett Frazier, seconded by Commissioner Robert Poythress to approve the 2021 FTIP and Corresponding Air Quality Conformity Analysis- Resolution 21-01

Roll call for votes: Commissioner Robert Poythress – Yes  
Commissioner Jose Rodriguez – Yes  
Commissioner Tom Wheeler -Yes  
Commissioner Waseem Ahmed – Yes  
Commissioner Brett Frazier – Yes  
Commissioner CeCe Gallego - Yes  
Vote passed 6-0

- N. Response to Grand Jury Report – Final Report 1920-02, entitled “Unmet Transit Needs in Madera County: Riders without Routes.”

**Action:** Upon motion by Commissioner Tom Wheeler, seconded by Commissioner Waseem Ahmed to authorize Chair and Director to sign the letter of response and submit to the

Supervising Judge of the Grand Jury and Madera County Grand Jury, pursuant to Penal Code Section 993. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes: Commissioner Robert Poythress – Yes  
Commissioner Jose Rodriguez – Yes  
Commissioner Tom Wheeler -Yes  
Commissioner Waseem Ahmed – Yes  
Commissioner Brett Frazier – Yes  
Commissioner CeCe Gallego - Yes  
Vote passed 6-0

O. CalCOG Virtual Leadership Forum, March 22-23, 2021

**Action:** Information and Discussion Only

P. San Joaquin Valley Household Travel Survey

**Action:** Information and Discussion Only

## **MCTC SITTING AS THE MADERA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

### **6. REAFFIRM ALL ACTIONS TAKEN WHILE SITTING AS THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Brett Frazier, seconded by Commissioner Waseem Ahmed to reaffirm all actions taken while sitting as the Transportation Policy Committee. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes: Commissioner Robert Poythress – Yes  
Commissioner Jose Rodriguez – Yes  
Commissioner Tom Wheeler -Yes  
Commissioner Waseem Ahmed – Yes  
Commissioner Brett Frazier – Yes  
Commissioner CeCe Gallegos - Yes  
Vote passed 6-0

### **7. ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS**

Q. Approval of Executive Minutes of the January 20, 2021 Regular Meeting.

**Action:** Approve Minutes of the January 20, 2021 Regular Meeting

R. Transportation Development Act (TDA): Local Transportation Fund (LTF), State Transit Assistance (STA), and State of Good Repair (SGR) 2021-22 Estimates

**Action:** Information and Discussion Only

#### **Administrative Consent Calendar Action Q-R**

Upon motion by Commissioner Brett Frazier, seconded by Commissioner CeCe Gallegos to approve the Administrative Consent Calendar Items Q-R. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes: Commissioner Robert Poythress – Yes  
Commissioner Jose Rodriguez – Yes  
Commissioner Tom Wheeler -Yes  
Commissioner Waseem Ahmed – Yes  
Commissioner Brett Frazier – Yes  
Commissioner CeCe Gallegos - Yes  
Vote passed 6-0

**8. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

S. FY 2021-22 Draft Overall Work Program and Budget

**Action:** Upon motion by Commissioner Tom Wheeler, seconded by Commissioner Brett Frazier to authorize circulation of Draft 2021-22 Overall Work Program and Budget. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes: Commissioner Robert Poythress – Yes  
Commissioner Jose Rodriguez – Yes  
Commissioner Tom Wheeler -Yes  
Commissioner Waseem Ahmed – Yes  
Commissioner Brett Frazier – Yes  
Commissioner CeCe Gallegos - Yes  
Vote passed 6-0

**MCTC SITTING AS THE MADERA COUNTY 2006 TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

**9. AUTHORITY – ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS**

T. Measure T FY 2020-21 Allocation Amendment No. 1

**Action:** Approve amended allocation

**Authority - Administrative Consent Items Action T**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robert Poythress, seconded by Commissioner Brett Frazier to approve the Administrative Consent Item T. A vote was called, and the motion carried.

Roll call for votes: Commissioner Robert Poythress – Yes  
Commissioner Jose Rodriguez – Yes  
Commissioner Tom Wheeler -Yes  
Commissioner Waseem Ahmed – Yes  
Commissioner Brett Frazier – Yes  
Commissioner CeCe Gallegos - Yes  
Vote passed 6-0

**10. AUTHORITY – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- U. Measure T Citizens' Oversight Committee Member Recognition

**Action:** Recognize outgoing member for service

- V. Measure T Citizens' Oversight Committee Vacancies

**Action:** Information and Discussion Only

## OTHER ITEMS

### 11. MISCELLANEOUS

- W. Items from Caltrans

Michael Navarro, Caltrans District 06 Deputy District Director, Planning, Local Programs & Environmental Analysis, provided a brief update on State Highway projects in Madera County.

- X. Items from Staff

Patricia Taylor, Executive Director, informed the Policy Board that there is an effort underway to build a coalition in support of "Finish the 99." MCTC staff is working in partnership with Tulare (TCAG) and Merced (MCAG) regional agencies. The effort will be unveiled over the Summer, 2021.

Dylan Stone, Principal Regional Planner, reminded the MCTC Policy Board of an opportunity to join the Fresno-Madera SR 41 and Avenue 9 Study virtual Open House at 6pm.

Evelyn Espinosa, Associate Regional Planner, informed the MCTC Policy Board of the upcoming schedule for the SR 233 Corridor Study. The study will be presented to the Chowchilla City Council during its council meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>, and MCTC Policy Board will receive a presentation at its March 17, 2021 meeting.

- Y. Items from Commissioners

This time was reserved for the Commissioners to inquire about specific projects.

### 12. CLOSED SESSION

None

### 13. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 17, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia S. Taylor  
Executive Director  
Madera County Transportation Commission