

**FINAL MINUTES**

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY  
SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR FREEWAYS EMERGENCIES AND MONTEREY COUNTY  
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE JOINT POWERS AGENCY**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

*Members: Chris Lopez (Chair), Dave Potter (1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair),  
Wendy Root Askew (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair), Michael LeBarre (Past Chair),  
Luis Alejo (County representative), Chaps Poduri (City representative)*

**Wednesday, April 3, 2024**

\*\*\* 9:00 a.m. \*\*\*

Transportation Agency Conference Room, 55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas CA

Alternate locations:

*2616 1st Avenue, Marina, CA 93933, Supervisor Askew's Office*

*168 West Alisal Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Salinas, CA 93901, Supervisor Alejo's Office*

*599 El Camino Real, Greenfield, CA 93927, Supervisor Lopez's Office*

<b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</b>	<b>MAY 23</b>	<b>JUN 23</b>	<b>AUG 23</b>	<b>SEP 23</b>	<b>OCT 23</b>	<b>NOV 23</b>	<b>JAN 24</b>	<b>FEB 24</b>	<b>MAR 24</b>	<b>APR 24</b>
Chris Lopez, <b>Chair</b> Supr. Dist. 3 (P. Barba)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)
Dave Potter, <b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</b> Carmel-By-The-Sea (J. Baron)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Wendy Root Askew, <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair</b> Supr. Dist. 4 (Y. Anderson)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P(A) (VC)	P(A) (VC)
Michael LeBarre, <b>Past Chair</b> King City (C. DeLeon)	P	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P (VC)	P	P (VC)	P (VC)
Luis Alejo, <b>County Representative</b> Supr. Dist. 5 (L. Gonzales)	P(A) (VC)	P	P(A) (VC)	P (VC)	P	P(A) (VC)	P	P*	P(A) (VC)	P
Chaps Poduri, <b>City Representative</b> (Joe Amelio)	P	P (VC)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

*TC: via teleconference; VC: via video conference*

P = Present

A = Absent

P(A) = alternate present

E = Excused

P(VC) Video Conference

P\*= New Representative

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Lopez called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

Staff present: Guther, Kise, Muck, Rodriguez, Sambrano, Watson.

Others present: Shane Strong, County Counsel; Paul Schlesinger and Jim Davenport, Thorn Run Partners; Gus Khouri, Khouri Consulting; Monica Hale, Supervisor 3 District office; and Linda Gonzales, Supervisor District 1 office.

## **2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comment

## **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by Committee Member Potter, seconded by Committee Member LeBarre, the Committee voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of March 6, 2024.

Committee Member Poduri arrived after consent agenda approval.

## **4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

The Committee received an update on the state and federal legislative issues.

Jim Davenport, Thorn Run Partners, reported that the fiscal year 2024 appropriations bill included a \$1.811 million earmark for the G12 corridor project, and that TAMC staff has submitted fiscal year 2025 earmark requests to Senators Padilla and Butler.

Paul Schlesinger, Thorn Run Partners, reported that he and Committee Member Potter met with Representatives Panetta and Lofgren and transportation staffers for Senators Butler and Padilla on March 12.

Director Muck noted staff is planning a field trip with Representative Lofgren tentatively set for April 24.

Gus Khouri, Agency State Legislative Consultant, presented a state legislative update. He noted that the legislators came back from spring recess on Monday. He noted that Governor Gavin Newsom, Senate President pro Tempore Mike McGuire, and Speaker of the Assembly Robert Rivas developed budget solutions worth \$12 to \$18 billion, using Rainy Day Funds and constitutional minimums to education, to address the budget deficit. He noted action is anticipated in April before the May Revision, due May 14, to help score solutions and avert a larger deficit. He noted transportation funds are largely protected from the deficit as transportation is not dependent on the general fund.

Mr. Khouri thanked TAMC Board member Askew for participating in the meetings held on March 20 between the Central Coast Coalition and Assembly Member Dawn Addis, Senator John Laird, and representatives from Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas' office. Discussion items included extending the Cap and Trade Program, finding a successor source for the gas tax, protecting state budget funding for the Regional Early Action Plan (REAP) for affordable housing, and addressing the application of vehicle miles traveled for rural areas.

Christina Watson, Director of Planning, reported that there were no new bill position recommendations.

#### **5. TAMC BOARD DRAFT AGENDA**

Executive Director Todd Muck reviewed the draft regular and consent agenda for the TAMC Board meeting of April 24, 2024. After Executive Committee discussion, directions were provided to staff to place the following items for consideration on the regular agenda:

- FORTAG Canyon Del Rey - Construction Contract
- Scenic Route 68 Corridor Improvement Project Update
- Transportation Agency Membership in Business Organizations

#### **6. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Lopez adjourned the meeting at 9:32 a.m.