

**CITY/COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS COMMITTEE ON
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (CMEQ)**

**MINUTES
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 2011**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pierce in Conference Room A at City Hall of San Mateo at 3:07 pm.

Attendance sheet is attached.

1. Public comment on items not on the agenda.

Pat Giorni encouraged people to attend and voice opinion at the JPB meeting regarding Caltrain service cut this Thursday at 10 am at the SamTrans Auditorium.

2. Minutes of January 31, 2011 meeting.

Motion: To approve the Minutes of the January 31, 2011 meeting, Richardson/Koelling. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Review and comment on the process for “call for projects” of the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Community Strategy” (RTP/SCS).

Jean Higaki reported that C/CAG has issued a call for projects for the RTP update in response to the MTC requirements. The RTP is a long-range (25 years) transportation blue print for the bay area. All project sponsors in San Mateo County are requested to submit an initial draft list of projects by March 15th. The final list is due at MTC on April 29th.

Chair Pierce stated the importance of coordination between transportation projects and land use decisions. Member Roberts mentioned the Highway 1 Mid Coast Trail project between Half Moon Bay and Montara is an important project, serving school trips and other non-auto trips. It needs to have planning and design ready in order to make the project happen. Pat Giorni (public) commented that the Middlefield road bike route is important to bicyclists.

Sandy Wong asked and the committee approved that a public hearing on the Draft RTP projects list can occur at the March or April meeting.

Motion: To recommend approval of the RTP/SCS “call for projects” process, Roberts/Koelling. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Review and recommend approval of Measure M (\$10 vehicle license fee) Implementation Plan.

John Hoang presented the draft Measure M 5-Year Implementation Plan. As stated in the Measure, 50% net revenue will be returned to the 20 cities and the County for local streets and/or water pollution reduction due to motor vehicles. It is proposed that the remaining 50% net revenue be directed to 1) transit operations and/or senior transportation (22%); 2) ITS and Smart Corridors (10%); 3) safe route to schools (6%); 4) NPDES (12%).

CMEQ members had the following comments:

A question was asked if CalTrain operation is eligible. John's answer was yes. For the wetland area bordered by US 101 and Millbrae and San Bruno, flooding occurs if dredging is not done. As to how can Measure M fund help this situation, Richard Napier (C/CAG Executive Director) responded that jurisdictions may elected to spend their entire share of the 50% revenue allocated to cities/county on NPDES programs. There should be more quantifiable performance measures for each of the programs/projects funded. Members are very interested in seeing measurable results. A question was asked if bottles and plastic bags and styrofoam reduction be eligible. Mr. Napier said he needs to check with legal.

Pat Giorni (public) commented on the Safe Route to School fund would be better spent on infrastructures than on administration.

Motion: To recommend approval of the Measure M Implementation Plan, Richardson/Kersteen-Tucker. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Review and recommend approval of the 5th Cycle Transit Oriented Development Housing Incentive Program.

Sandy Wong presented on proposed 5th cycle TOD Housing Incentive Program. A call for project was issued by C/CAG resulting in 10 applications from five cities. All projects are deemed eligible, and based on funds available, each eligible bedroom will be awarded \$1336 and affordable bedrooms with an additional \$185.

A discussion regarding the pros and cons of incentivizing high density Business TOD ensued.

Motion: To recommend approval of the 5th Cycle Transit Oriented Development Housing Incentive Program, O'Connell/Patridge. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Review and recommend approval of the FY 2011-12 Expenditure Plan for the Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) Program for San Mateo County.

Sandy Wong presented the proposed FY 2011-12 TFCA Expenditure Plan. There will be \$987,566 expected from the Air District for this program, slightly less than previous years. This proposed Expenditure Plan follows the previous years' allocation in that funding would be directed to SamTrans shuttles and the Alliance's Trip Reduction program.

Motion: To recommend approval of the FY 2011-12 Expenditure Plan for the Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) Program for San Mateo County, Kersteen-Tucker/Koelling. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Executive Director Report.

Richard Napier, Executive Director, announced the March 2 Planning Directors meeting on Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and Regional Housing Allocation (RHNA). He is also

proposing to use the April 14th C/CAG Annual Retreat meeting (to which CMEQ is invited) to focus on the SCS topic.

8. Member comments and announcements.

None.

9. Adjournment and establishment of next meeting date.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 28, 2011.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm.