

JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN COUNCIL  
OF GOVERNMENTS AND SJCOG, INC.

SJCOG Conference Room  
555 E. Weber Avenue  
Stockton, CA 95202

October 25, 2018

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AT 4:00 P.M.

**MINUTES**

1. The Board meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair Rickman.

**Roll Call:**

**Board Members Present:**

Councilmember Andrade, Stockton; Mayor DeBrum, Manteca; Councilmember Dresser, Lathrop; Vice Mayor Holman, Stockton; Councilmember Kuehne, Lodi; Councilwoman Lofthus, Stockton; Supervisor Miller, SJC; Councilmember Murken, Escalon; Mayor Rickman, Tracy; Vice Mayor Zuber, Ripon.

**Ex-Officio Members Present:**

Ken Baxter, Caltrans; Gary Giovanetti, SJRTD.

**Board Members Absent:**

Supervisor Elliott, SJC; Supervisor Winn, SJC.

**Ex-Officio Members Absent:**

Victor Mow, Port of Stockton.

**Staff Members Present:**

Andrew Chesley, Executive Director; Steve Dial, Deputy Executive Director; Diane Nguyen, Deputy Director; Rebecca Calija, Manager of Administrative Services; Vikram Sharma, Information Services Manager; Steve Mayo, Project Manager; Ryan Niblock, Senior Regional Planner; David Ripperda, Assistant Regional Planner; Yvette Davis, Senior Program Specialist; Kari McKnickle, Associate Program Specialist; Christine Corrales, Associate Regional Planner; Travis Yokoyama, Associate Regional Planner; Michelle Lacondeguy, Assistant Regional Planner; Summer Lopez, Assistant Regional Planner; Kelly Bagley, Accounting Assistant II; Stephanie Maynard, Administrative Analyst; Katy Castro, Administrative Clerk II; Melissa Ablang, Administrative Clerk II; Rosie Gutierrez, Office Administrator; Rod Attebery, Counsel.

2. **Recognitions/Presentations:** None.

3. **Public Comments:**

Woody Hastings, Energy Program Manager for non-profit organization Climate Protection spoke on Community Choice Energy in the San Joaquin area and offered to schedule a follow-up meeting with each jurisdiction to help arrange an informational study session and answer questions. Mr. Hastings thanked the board for allowing him the opportunity to speak.

4. **Consent Calendar Items:**

- A. Minutes: Joint meeting of the Board of Directors for SJCOG & SJCOG, Inc., September 27, 2018
- B. *SJCOG* Monthly Financial Report & Transportation Authority Monthly Investment Report
- C. *SJCOG* – Modification of the SJCOG Conflict of Interest Code to Amending the List of Designated Positions
- D. *SJCOG* – Extend Short-List of Analytical and Technical Services for the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan / Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS)
- E. *SJCOG, Inc.* – Viaggio Winery Expansion Project, Plan Participation
- F. *SJCOG, Inc.* – Musco Olive Expansion Project, Plan Participation
- G. *SJCOG, Inc.* – Block 21 Winery Project, Plan Participation
- H. *SJCOG, Inc.* – Clements Remitz Hwy 12 Preserve Fencing RFQ Selection

Steve Dial pulled item 4E to have COG staff explain the project process. Steve Mayo gave a brief explanation on how the projects get into the Habitat plan.

It was moved/seconded (Murken/Zuber) to approve the consent calendar. Motion passed with Councilmember Dresser abstaining on item 4A.

5. **Action Items:**

- A. *SJCOG, Inc.* - Public Hearing for McManis Winery Airport Way Preserve Dedication  
Steve Mayo informed the Board this is a public hearing. Mr. Mayo stated this is the second public hearing for this property.

Mr. Mayo described the property and stated this is for land in lieu of fees. The property is a total of 281 acres, which contains 60 acres of riparian habitat under consideration for an easement dedication. Attachment 1 is the map that shows the location of the property. If dedicated, staff intends to create the Preserve Management Plan to reflect a riparian preserve plan like many others for species under the SJMSCP in the area.

Chair Rickman opened the public hearing for public comments. There being no comments received, the public hearing was closed.

- B. *SJCOG, Inc.* – Public Hearing for Musco Olive Patterson Pass Preserve Dedication  
Steve Mayo informed the Board this is a public hearing. Mr. Mayo stated this is the second public hearing for this property.

Mr. Mayo described the property and stated this is for land in lieu of fees. The property is a total of 226 acres of which 25 acres of natural grassland habitat is under consideration for an easement dedication. Attachment 1 is the map that shows the location of the property.

Chair Rickman opened the public hearing for public comments. There being no comments received, the public hearing was closed.

C. SJCOG – Selection of Bond Underwriting Service and Disclosure Counsel for Series 2018/19 Bond Issuance

Steve Dial stated, in September, the Board approved staff to move forward with a bond issuance and to begin assembling the financing team. Mr. Dial stated the purpose of the bond issuance is to take out some or all of the \$75 million line of credit and potentially provide funding for some regional arterial projects. COG staff is working with the local agencies to develop a list of regional arterial projects. Mr. Dial stated an RFP was distributed and seven financial institutions submitted proposals to serve as underwriter and five firms submitted to provide disclosure counsel services. After the evaluation was conducted, staff is recommending RBC Capital Markets as lead underwriter and Wells Fargo Securities as co-underwriter and the firm of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP to serve as disclosure counsel.

Staff is anticipating the program of projects will be presented to the Board in January 2019 and other documents as we move forward.

It was moved/seconded (DeBrum/Holman) to select for underwriting services: lead underwriter/Manager RBC Capital Markets, co-underwriter Wells Fargo Securities, and select Disclosure Counsel – Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP. Motion passed unanimously (10/0).

6. **Discussion Items:**

A. SJCOG – San Joaquin County Freeway Service Patrol (FSP) Annual Report for 2017-2018

Yvette Davis shared a newsflash clip from Caltrans to show what the FSP program is and what they do during rush hour traffic.

Ms. Davis presented this item to the Board using a PowerPoint presentation stating some of the reasons FSP is needed is for safety, relieve congestion and for air quality. Ms. Davis stated Caltrans is one of the FSP partners who are responsible for the administration of funding and CHP is a very critical partner who provides general day-to-day oversight. Ms. Davis gave an overview on how FSP is funded and on the activities that occurred during FY 2017/18.

Through the FSP Tracker System online surveys were submitted by motorist with a 95% excellent rating. Ms. Davis gave an overview on the new performance monitoring and tracking system and stated this system is consistent and where staff generates their reports from and receives the statistics. Ms. Davis highlighted the new routes implemented in 2018. Ms. Davis discussed the “what’s next” and stated regardless of the outcome with SB 1 there will be continued service and sustain all routes through June 2021; evaluate potential to implement service on Highway 12; evaluate feasibility of providing radios to drivers; enhance online tracking system and address opportunities and challenges. Ms. Davis mentioned some of the testimonials toward FSP drivers.

Gary Giovanetti asked how the routes are chosen. Ms. Davis said staff works closely with CHP and Caltrans who provides staff with data to identify the most congested routes, routes that have safety issues and routes with narrow shoulders. Mr. Giovanetti asked if there are 43 agencies using this system throughout the state. Ms. Davis said there are 23

throughout the state. Mr. Giovanetti shared his experienced using the FSP service on the San Mateo bridge and said it worked very well.

This item was for discussion only; no action was taken.

**7. Information Items:**

A. *SJCOG* – Bike Month 2018 Results

B. *SJCOG* – You’re invited! 2018 State of the North San Joaquin Valley Conference: Transforming Skills Ecosystems

These items were for information only; no action was taken.

**8. Chair’s Report:** None.

**9. Council Members’ Report:** None.

**10. Ex-Officio Council Members’ Report:**

A. San Joaquin Regional Transit District

Gary Giovanetti reported on the annual conference he attended and mentioned the general theme was regarding autonomous vehicles, Lyft, Uber and scooter rentals along with bike share and how many of these trends are affecting mass transit.

Mr. Giovanetti announced on Friday, November 9th RTD will host a Good News Day event at the Downtown Transit Center.

Mr. Giovanetti reported on the new mural at the Downtown Transit Center which is part of RTD’s emphasis on public art. It gives local artists an opportunity to display their work.

B. Caltrans District 10

Ken Baxter applaud COG on the FSP leadership and what they do. Mr. Baxter said it is a great service and he is very proud to be part of the team in supporting FSP.

Mr. Baxter announced the ribbon cutting for Bouldin Island scheduled for November 8 at 11:00 a.m. at Tower Park Marina.

Mr. Baxter announced the new portal for SB 1 ([www.dot.ca.gov/sb1](http://www.dot.ca.gov/sb1)) where you can view additional information. Also, on the top of the new portal site you can also view Caltrans annual efficiencies reports. Mr. Baxter said Caltrans achieves \$100 million a year of efficiencies and the first report is listed. Mr. Baxter said if anyone needs more information to contact him.

C. Port of Stockton

No report.

**11. Executive Director’s Report:**

A. *SJCOG* – California Transportation Commission Meeting in Stockton Follow-up

Andrew Chesley thanked the Board members who participated in the CTC meeting that was held last Thursday at *SJCOG*. On Tuesday COG staff chaperoned several Commission members around San Joaquin County to look at on-going projects. Mr. Chesley stated Prop 1B bond passed in 2006 and the commission made discretionary authorities with the \$20

billion program and among the discretionary projects SJCOG was the fifth highest to receive funding.

Mr. Chesley thanked Chair Rickman for attending and giving the opening remarks and for speaking about some of the challenges associated with the south part of the county.

Mr. Chesley said Supervisor Winn gave a great presentation on innovation from the County of San Joaquin Public Works department.

Mr. Chesley thanked Councilmember Andrade for his willingness to speak. He thanked Mayor DeBrum who spoke about local street repair and took the opportunity to highlight highway 99/120 project.

Mr. Chesley stated Mayor Tubbs made a presentation about Stockton and it was very well received by the commission.

Mr. Chesley thanked everyone who participated at the reception, it was well organized and the commission was very appreciative.

The CTC held their annual retreat at SJCOG's Executive conference room and accomplished a lot being here in San Joaquin County.

Mr. Chesley announced to the Board there will not be a November 15<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> will be the next Board meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Chesley concluded by commenting on the Bouldin Island project and the challenges associated with the project. Mr. Chesley complemented Caltrans for its impressive project.

Chair Rickman thanked Andrew Chesley for his PowerPoint presentation at the retreat, great job, it was very informative.

## **12. Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m. The next meeting will be held Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in the SJCOG Conference Room.