

**NORTH COUNTY CORRIDOR  
TRANSPORTATION EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY**

**MEETING MINUTES**

May 3, 2017

6:00 p.m.

*TENTH STREET PLACE*

*BOARD CHAMBERS*

*1010 10TH STREET, MODESTO CA*

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Directors Present:

Chairman Terry Withrow, Ted Brandvold, Richard O'Brien, and Pat Paul

Also Present:

Authority Manager: Matt Machado

Ex-Officios: Jes Padda (Caltrans) and Dave Reed (StanCOG)

Legal Counsel: Thomas Boze

Absent: Kristin Olsen

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Terry Withrow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM April 5, 2017 (MOTION)**

The meeting minutes were approved. *On Motion of Pat Paul / Seconded by Ted Brandvold. All in favor - 4/0.*

**3. AGENDA ITEMS**

**a. Authorization of Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Professional Design Services with Drake Haglan & Associates in the amount of \$325,000 (MOTION)**

- Matt Machado spoke on this item. We are approximately 16 months behind schedule our anticipated plan. It is a large project with much to review.
- We have spent approximately \$63,000 last year; \$245,000 in 2015; \$1.3 million in 2014; \$1.8 million in 2013, and \$700,000 in 2012.
- We've been trying to be fiscally responsible, and Drake Haglan has donated a lot of time in this effort.
- Matt briefly gave the history of NCC. The Joint Powers Authority was created in 2008. In the first two years, the Route Adoption Environmental Impact Report was completed and certified at the CEQA only program (high) level in May 2010. Intent was for route adoption, which CTC accepted it. It will be State Route 108 which took special state legislation. October 2010 to November 2011, we went

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out to the public and had scoping meeting which produced 18 alternatives. We spent a year and narrowed it down to six alternatives. From November 2011 to February 2014, we narrowed it down to two primary routes with some alternative combinations which equals four viable alternatives. From February 2014 to end of 2016, we drafted technical studies. We completed the work and packaged the document, which was approved by Caltrans' District 6 and District 10 offices. We submitted it to Caltrans' headquarters on February 9, 2017 for review and approval. We are anticipating Caltrans' comments by May 5, 2017.

- Once approved and signed, it will take a couple of weeks to prepare for distribution to the public and schedule a public hearing. We are submitting this amendment in anticipation of receiving over 500 comments. We need to be ready to analyze and respond in the following categories: 1) Engineering refinement; 2) Environmental re-validation and response; and 3) Traffic confirmation and response. Responses could take a solid year to be able to produce a final certified document, and these three areas are essential to this process. With these reasons, we are requesting approval of this amendment.
- *Terry Withrow asked about the timeline for the public hearing.* Matt Machado said the Public hearing will be on June 22, 2017. Public comment period is 45 days and is closed. We will then bring an item/presentation to each council at the City of Modesto, City of Oakdale, City of Riverbank, and the Board of Supervisors to share what we know about the project and the idea of a resolution of support. Based on the local preferences, the Project Development Team (PDT) will make a recommendation on the preferred alternative. Caltrans will make the final decision in approximately a year.
- *Terry Withrow asked if the councils and board presentations will be in September, and the recommendation will be known and given to Caltrans.* Matt Machado said yes.
- *Richard O'Brien noted a 10% increase over the last 18 months, but everyone is doing a commendable job.*
- The Amendment was approved. *On motion of Richard O'Brien / Seconded by Terry Withrow. All in favor - 4/0.*

**b. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget for the North County Corridor Transportation Expressway Authority**

- Matt Machado said the proposed budget is \$409,820 much of which is the contract Amendment No. 2 from item 3a, and some for our annual audit and office supplies. The attached schedule shows the actuals. The funding for this will be through our Regional Transportation Impact Fees (RTIF) program.
- *Terry Withrow asked questions about the RTIF program.* Matt Machado said there are 53 projects that share a percentage of the approximately \$500 million. NCC has approximately \$300 million. In the past seven years, \$24 million has been used mostly on construction projects (approximately \$5 million on NCC).
- The Budget was approved. *On motion of Pat Paul / Seconded by Ted Brandvold. All in favor - 4/0.*

**c. Project Update - May 2017**

- Per Matt Machado, we expect to have comments back from Caltrans Headquarters by May 5, 2017. We hope they will be minor in nature, and we can revise it and route it for signatures.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- None.

**5. AUTHORITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

- None.

**6. DIRECTORS' REPORTS**

- None.

**7. EX-OFFICIOS' REPORTS**

- None.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

- Next meeting is scheduled for June 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Per Matt Machado, we hope to have the document available to the public and will discuss next steps and the milestones going forward. We will discuss the open house format of the Public Hearing on June 22, 2017 in Oakdale conducted by Caltrans with our support.
- *Richard O'Brien asked about the open house format where there will be stations around the room to ask questions and make their comments.* Matt Machado responded yes.
- *Richard O'Brien asked about the process.* Matt Machado said it is a 45 day review process after the document is available to the public hopefully late May. The Public Hearing is scheduled from 4:00 to 8:00, but comments will still be accepted beyond the hearing date (for the 45 days). We plan to make this document available conveniently by having it on USB (thumb drives), electronically, and paper copies at our office, the library, the city hall offices.
- *Richard O'Brien asked if it would be bi-lingual (in Spanish)?* Matt Satow said the document will not be, but translators will be available at the Public Hearing. Richard O'Brien said this was not adequate. Matt Machado said upon request, we would make bi-lingual assistance available. Matt Satow asked if Caltrans had ever translated an entire document. Jes Padda responded no, not to his knowledge. Jes mentioned that at public hearings, translators are made available as discussed. He also said he would look into other options. Matt Machado suggested that the Chapter 1 project overview could be translated. Jes Padda said important items such as the fact sheet can be translated. Matt Satow said both lead project engineers are bi-lingual know the project well and can meet upon request.

- *Larry Nile, citizen - Asked if the Public Hearing was going to be in Oakdale.* Matt Machado responded yes.
- Terry Withrow thanked the attendees and adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

ATTESTED: MATT MACHADO, Authority Manager  
of the North County Corridor Transportation Expressway Authority

BY: KEIMI ESPINOZA, Confidential Assistant IV  
(The above is a summary of the minutes. An audio recording of the entire meeting is available.)

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There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

Matthew Machado, Authority Manager of the  
North County Corridor Transportation Authority



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COUNTERSIGNED BY:

Terrance P. (Terry) Withrow, Chairman of the  
North County Corridor Transportation Authority



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