

**NORTH COUNTY CORRIDOR
TRANSPORTATION EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY**

DRAFT SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

June 6, 2018

6:00 p.m.

TENTH STREET PLACE

BOARD CHAMBERS

1010 10TH STREET, MODESTO CA

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Directors Present:

Ted Brandvold, Kristin Olsen, Richard O'Brien, and Pat Paul

Also Present:

Authority Manager: David Leamon

Ex-Officios: Monica Kress (Caltrans)

Legal Counsel: Thomas Boze

Absent: Chairman Terry Withrow and Ex-Officio Rosa Park

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairman Richard O'Brien called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM March 7, 2018 (MOTION)

On Motion of Pat Paul / Seconded by Kristin Olsen. All in favor - 4/0.

3. AGENDA ITEMS

a. Financial Audit Acceptance (MOTION)

- *David Leamon* stated that we received the results of the audit conducted by the firm of Brown Armstrong, Certified Public Accounts. There were no findings.
- *On Motion of Kristin Olsen / Seconded by Pat Paul. All in favor - 4/0.*

b. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget for the North County Corridor Transportation Expressway Authority (MOTION)

- *Matt Satow* stated that the budget for fiscal year 2018-2019 is \$198,000 of which approximately \$190,000 is to deliver the project, approximately \$4,000 is set aside for the audit, and the remainder is for miscellaneous fees and supplies.
- *Richard O'Brien* commented on the Public Facility Fees (PFF), which he stated should be paid in sections for regions and not Countywide. *David*

Leamon said the project would be paid with a combination of Measure L and PFF.

- *Kristin Olsen* said there is value in flexibility, as long as there are no delays. She also understood that Palmdale received the INFRA funding. *Matt Satow* would address this in his project update.
- *Ted Brandvold* asked about mapping. *David Leamon* would share out this information.
- *On Motion of Kristin Olsen / Seconded by Richard O'Brien. All in favor - 4/0.*

c. Project Update – June 2018 (INFORMATION ONLY)

- *Matt Satow* gave the project update. There are key elements needed to complete the Final Environmental Document. They are:
 - Responding to the Draft EIR/EIS comments/questions. There are over 250 comments received during the public circulation of the Draft EIR/EIS. Comments and questions regarding ConAgra were more complex to address. Currently working with County Counsel regarding a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) concerning ConAgra.
 - The Biological Assessment has been drafted and we're two weeks away from submitting it to Caltrans and then to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service shortly after for their review.
 - Selecting an alignment alternative – The final selection of the Alignment Alternative will occur with the Project Approval, which is anticipated to occur in late Fall or early Winter.
- *Matt Satow* reviewed the federal funding update. Two California cities, Bakersfield and Los Angeles, received the INFRA grant. Although we were not awarded the grant, we were encouraged that the NCC project application was still being evaluated late in the process. The City of Modesto received the TIGER grant for the State Route 132 project. There is one more grant opportunity, which is the BUILD grant. The deadline is July 29, 2018. Fortunately, the grant criteria is the same as the INFRA and TIGER grants. For state opportunities, there are two; SB1 and railroad grade separation. Being more shovel ready would put us in a better position, but we will definitely pursue these funds.
- Next Steps of Project Development
 - The North County Corridor Transportation Expressway Authority (JPA) was formed to complete the Project Approval and Environmental Documentation (PA&ED) phase and to determine the precise alignment of the North County Corridor. The team is very close to completing this mission.
 - The next step in the project development process will be to begin the Final Design Phase.

- It is important to note that once the PA&ED process has been completed, each jurisdiction will need to amend their General Plans to include the project and roadway alignment.
- *Richard O'Brien* asked about the environmental and biological timelines and the BUILD grant July 29th deadline. *Matt Satow* replied we're still within our timelines. We have strong representation in this region, but we need to be more shovel ready for a better chance of being awarded.
- *Kristin Olsen* asked if we had a strategy in place for the July 29th deadline and what about the matching requirements. *Matt Satow* replied it is a quick turnaround, but we have a strategy in place. If awarded the BUILD grant, we will need more matching money. *Kristin* replied with possibly Measure L and SB1. *Matt* said yes.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- None.

5. AUTHORITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- *David Leamon* stated that we will be working to submit the BUILD grant application.

6. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

- None.

7. EX-OFFICIOS' REPORTS

- None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

- *Richard O'Brien* asked when is the next meeting. *Keimi Espinoza* replied the next scheduled meeting is August 1st, but would be in the Training Room. *Richard* would like to meet again when there is more substance. *David Leamon* suggested the next meeting would be in late fall.
- *Richard O'Brien* adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

ATTESTED: DAVID LEAMON, 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.)