7/8/2025 at 11:45am - Amended to add Item 8 to the agenda; Item 9 revising of Report of the Chair

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# **REVISED** AGENDA

# San Mateo County Transportation Authority

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting

July 8, 2025, 4:30 pm

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**TA Community Advisory Committee Members 2025**: Barbara Arietta (Chair), Ivan Bucio, Giuliano Carlini, Nheeda Enriquez, John Fox, Rich Hedges, Karen Kuklin, Sandra Lang, Gus Mattammal, Mike Swire (Vice Chair)

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Tuesday, July 8, 2025		
1.	Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance	
2.	Roll Call	
3.	Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda	
	Public comment by each individual speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes	•
4.	Consent Calendar	
	4.a. Approval of Minutes of the CAC Meeting of June 3, 2025	Motion
	<u>TA Board Meeting Agenda for July 10, 2025</u>	
	4.b. <b>TA Board Item 5.a.</b> Approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of June 5, 2025 – Board Action: Motion	Motion
	4.c. <b>TA Board Item 5.b.</b> Accept Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Period Ending May 31, 2025 – Board Action: Motion	Motion
	4.d. <b>TA Board Item 5.c.</b> Approving and Ratifying the Transportation Authority Insurance Program for Fiscal Year 2026 – Board Action: Resolution	Motion
5.	<b>TA Board Item 11.a.</b> 84-101 Reimagined Project Update – Board Action: Informational	Informational
6.	<b>TA Board Item 11.b.</b> Programming and Allocating Measure A Caltrain Category Funds to the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board for Purchase of Property Along the Caltrain Right of Way in Burlingame; Making Required Findings Under the Surplus Land Act; and Authorizing the Executive Director to Convey Grant Deeds to the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board for Such Properties – Board Action: Resolution	Motion
7.	<b>TA Board Item 11.c.</b> Programming and Allocating Measure A Grade Separation Category Funds to the City of Burlingame and Measure A Caltrain Category Funds to the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board for the Redesign of the Broadway Grade Separation Project – Board Action: Resolution	Motion

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8.	<b>TA Board Item 12.a.</b> Receive Legislative Update <del>and Approve Legislative</del> <del>Proposal: Assembly Bill 476 (González), Assembly Bill 1014 (Rogers), and</del> Assembly Bill 1085 (Stefani) – Board Action: Motion	Motion
	<b>TA Board Item 12.a.i.</b> Receive Federal and State Legislative Update – Board Action: Informational	Informational
	<b>TA Board Item 12.a.ii.</b> Approve Legislative Proposal: Assembly Bill 476 (González), Assembly Bill 1014 (Rogers), and Assembly Bill 1085 (Stefani) – Board Action: Motion	Motion
	<b>TA Board Item 12.a.iii.</b> Receive Senate Bill 63 and San Mateo County Polling Updates – Board Action: Informational	Informational
9.	Report of the Chair	Informational
10.	Report from Staff	Informational
11.	Member Comments/Requests	

Committee members may make brief statements regarding CAC-related areas of concern, ideas for improvement, or other items that will benefit or impact the TA or the CAC

12. Date/Time of Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, September 2, 2025, 4:30 pm

The meeting will be accessible via Zoom teleconference and/or in person at the San Mateo County Transit District, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA. Please see the meeting agenda for more information.

13. Adjourn

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#### Date and Time of Regular Meetings and Community Advisory Committee Meetings

The Transportation Authority (TA) Board of Directors meets regularly on the first Thursday of the month at 5:00 pm. The TA Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meets regularly on the Tuesday prior to the first Thursday of the month at 4:30 pm. Date, time and location of meetings may be changed as necessary. Meeting schedules for the Board and CAC are available on the TA website.

#### Location of Meeting

This meeting will be held in-person at: San Mateo County Transit District, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA. Members of the public may attend in-person or participate remotely via Zoom as per the information provided at the top of the agenda.

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# San Mateo County Transportation Authority Community Advisory Committee (CAC) 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, California 94070 DRAFT Minutes of June 3, 2025

Members Present:	Ivan Bucio, Giuliano Carlini, Nheeda Enriquez (arrived at 4:34 pm), Rich
(In Person)	Hedges, Karen Kuklin, Sandra Lang, Jeff Londer, Gus Mattammal, Peter
	Ohtaki (arrived at 4:48 pm), Mike Swire (Vice Chair)
Members Absent:	Barbara Arietta (Chair), John Fox
Staff Present:	S. Atkinson, P. Gilster, L. Ko, C. Liao, J. Manzi, P. Skinner, A. Vasudeo

#### 1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Mike Swire called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 2. Roll Call

Lauryn Ko, CAC Secretary, called the roll and confirmed that a quorum was present.

### 3. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda - There were none.

#### 4. Consent Calendar

### 4.a. Approval of Minutes of the CAC Meeting of April 29, 2025

Motion/Second: Hedges/Kuklin Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None Absent: Arietta, Fox

# TA Board Meeting Agenda for June 5, 2025

# 4.b. TA Board Item 5.a. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of May 1, 2025

Motion/Second: Hedges/Kuklin Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None Absent: Arietta, Fox

# 4.c. TA Board Item 5.b. Accept Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Period Ending April 30, 2025

Motion/Second: Hedges/Kuklin Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None Absent: Arietta, Fox

# 4.d. TA Board Item 5.c. Accept Capital Projects Quarterly Status Report for 3rd Quarter of Fiscal Year 2025

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee questions, which included the following:

- Metrics for measuring project goals; no requirement for performance evaluation, only project progress
- Re-application process for future funding calls may be dependent on phase of project

Motion/Second: Hedges/Kuklin

Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None

Absent: Arietta, Fox

4.e. TA Board Item 5.d. Accept US 101 Express Lanes Quarterly Update on Variable Rate Bonds and Express Lanes Performance

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee questions, which included the following:

• Vehicle distribution of graphs in Staff Report

Motion/Second: Hedges/Kuklin

Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None

Absent: Arietta, Fox

4.f. TA Board Item 5.e. Establishing the Appropriations Limit Applicable to the San Mateo County Transportation Authority During Fiscal Year 2026

Motion/Second: Hedges/Kuklin Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None

Absent: Arietta, Fox

# 4.g. TA Board Item 5.f. Authorizing Funding for Matching Contributions for the El Camino Real: Fast Tracking Corridor-Wide Implementation of a Safe, Connected and Transit-Oriented Boulevard Project

Staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee questions, which included the following:

- Grant covered by Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and matched by San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans)
- El Camino Real Speed Reliability study used to find needs/improvements around San Mateo County
  - Perceived overlap of Caltrain's service with SamTrans's offerings

Motion/Second: Hedges/Kuklin Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None Absent: Arietta, Fox

- 4.h. TA Board Item 5.g. Programming and Allocating \$5,393,205 in Measure A Funds to the San Mateo County Transit District for its Paratransit Program and to the Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance for Commute.org's Operations and Transportation Demand Management Monitoring Program
  Motion/Second: Hedges/Kuklin
  Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire
  Noes: None
  Absent: Arietta, Fox
- 4.i. TA Board Item 5.h. Approving an Updated Candidate Project List for the New Measure A Highway Program Supplemental Roadways Category

Motion/Second: Hedges/Kuklin Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None Absent: Arietta, Fox

5. TA Board Item 10.a. Programming and Allocating \$13,652,753 in New Measure A Local Shuttle Program Funds for the San Mateo County Shuttle Program Call for Projects for Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027 and Programming and Allocating \$400,000 in New Measure A Oversight Funds for San Mateo County Shuttle Study

Sue Ellen Atkinson, Manager, Planning and Fund Management, presented the staff report that included the following:

- Modification of shuttle costs, increasing funding
- Allocation of \$400,000 of New Measure A funds

The Committee members had a robust discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee comments and questions, which included the following:

- Process for application/requesting funds, where shuttle study is needed prior to application
- Local match of 25 percent

Motion/Second: Kuklin/Hedges

Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None

Absent: Arietta, Fox

# 6. TA Board Item 10.b. Allocation of Regional Transit Connection Funds

Patrick Gilster, Director, Project and Fund Management, provided the presentation that included the following:

- Guidelines and process for the Regional Transit Connections Program
  - Call for Projects Process: Call for Projects Released > Pre-Meetings with Sponsors > Notice of Intent to Submit Survey > Evaluation and Consensus Scoring
  - Evaluation criteria based on connectivity, sustainability, equity and community support, safety and customer experience, and readiness
- Eleven total project requests from Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART), City of San Bruno, Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (Caltrain), San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans), WETA (San Francisco Bay Ferry), City of Redwood City; funding to total \$69,718,678

The Committee members had a robust discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee comments and questions, which included the following:

- Application of Redwood City 4-Track Orientation to Broadway Station
- Project coordination with SamTrans Dumbarton West Connector Project
- SamTrans first/last-mile plan projects
- Bay Trail bicycle connectivity to the ferry terminal
- Third-party best practice reviews
- Bicycle station access requirements, up to agency to apply to stations
- Next-generation fare gates to facilitate transit experience, safety, and fare collection
- Perceived overlap of projects in first/last-mile category

# Motion/Second: Lang/Hedges

Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None

Absent: Arietta, Fox

# 7. TA Board Item 11.a. Public Hearing: Adopting a Budget in the Amount of \$187,105,622 for Fiscal Year 2026

Cleo Liao, Manager, Budgets, provided the presentation that included the following:

- Sources to increase of \$1.1 million in New Measure A, with a reduction in \$0.8 million for Original Measure A Interest Income Sources and Expenditures
- Reduction of 0.3 percent for Fiscal Year (FY) 26 Proposed Sources Budget
- Reduction of 13.4 percent for FY26 Proposed Uses Budget
- Increased project surplus of \$1.1 million for FY26 June Proposed Net Result
- Implementation of Annual Investment Delegation

The Committee members had a robust discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee comments and questions, which included the following:

- Difference in distribution for programs under Original Measure A and New Measure A
- Usage of \$876 million in investment funds to offset losses in state and federal funding

- Future projection and minimization of lag from spending allocations and reimbursement requests for programmed projects
- Recategorization of programmed projects from Original Measure A and New Measure A
- Close out of Original Measure A

# Motion/Second: Hedges/Lang

Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire Noes: None Abaash, Asiaka, Fa

Absent: Arietta, Fox

# 8. TA Board Item 12.a. Receive Legislative Update and Approve Legislative Proposal: Senate Bill 239 (Arreguin), Assembly Bill 259 (Rubio), and Assembly Bill 810 (Irwin)

Ana Vasuedo, Manager, Government and Community Affairs, presented the staff report that included the following:

- Federal:
  - Passing of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act for budget reconciliation package to cut taxes and increase border and military spending, bill to reduce funds for government healthcare programs; moving to Senate in, with amendments to move back bill to the House
  - Appendix posted in addition to White House budget proposal and requests
  - Decrease in non-defense discretionary spending and increase in natural security spending
  - Goal for appropriation bills
- State:
  - Governor Gavin Newsom's update to proposed FY25/26 budget: few transportation proposals that would impact capital programs; fire and forest resource initiatives; increased budget for High-Speed Rail
  - Senate Bill (SB) 239- flexible telecommute policies
  - Assembly Bill (AB) 259- telecommuting in conjunction with an in-person quorum
  - AB 810- transition of government-oriented websites to .gov; not moving forward for the 2025 budget cycle but may be reintroduced

The Committee members had a robust discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee comments and questions, which included the following:

- Medicaid/Medical's, in addition to other buckets, association with Proposition (Prop) 35
- Governor Gavin Newsom's budget and its relation to education, pulling from the overall bucket which contains other allocations
- Opportunity to revise the state budget until June 15, 2025
- Sunset dates for telecommunication policies
- Opposition of San Mateo County District agencies to use .gov and associated implications with information migration
- AB 1085 fare collection and enforcement

Motion to approve support of SB 239 and AB 259 with no action taken for AB 810/Second: Hedges/Lang Ayes: Bucio, Carlini, Enriquez, Hedges, Kuklin, Lang, Londer, Mattammal, Ohtaki, Swire

Noes: None

Absent: Arietta, Fox

# 9. Report of the Chair

Mike Swire, Vice Chair, presented the chair report that included the following:

- Importance of funding
- SB 63's impact on Bay Area counties

The Committee members had a robust discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee comments and questions, which included the following:

• Special meeting with sister agencies to determine stance on the Regional Measure

# 10. Report from Staff

Peter Skinner, Executive Officer, Transportation Authority, noted the Executive Director's report was in the agenda packet and included the following:

• Placement and ownership of additional items for discussion on the CAC agenda

The Committee members had a robust discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Committee comments and questions, which included the following:

- Agenda item signup and procedures
- End-of-year report to the Board

# **11. Member Comments/Requests**

The Committee members had a robust discussion which included the following:

- May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Belmont City Council meeting recap, highlighting SamTrans El Camino Real Multimodal Plan
- Simplification of Measure A and Measure W renewal for better comprehension
- Revival of projects across the region
- Grand Boulevard Initiative
- Public concern of potholes
- Commendations for the service of Jeff Londer and Peter Ohtaki
- Learning opportunities from traveling
- **12. Date/Time of Next Regular Meeting:** Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at 4:30pm via Zoom and in person at the San Mateo County Transit District, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA.

# 13. Adjourn - The meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm.



Date:July 1, 2025To:Community Advisory CommitteeFrom:Barbara AriettaSubject:Report of the Chair

### Update on Senate Bill (SB) 63

Since I first reported on the new Regional Transportation Measure SB 63 last month, this newly written piece of legislation has been met with a robust mixture of both support and skepticism by a number of leaders in San Mateo County.

#### **Key Considerations**

Factors influencing the decision indicate the flexibility of funding allocation, the impact on existing transportation funding sources like Measure A, and the overall effectiveness of the proposed regional coordination.

#### **City Leader Responses**

Thus far, the City Council of San Mateo, after discussing the measure, has issued "no opinion" on the bill. Additionally, there is no other information on any other specific cities' support or opposition votes, as the decision to either opt in or out will be made at the county level.

#### **County Leader Responses**

Jackie Speier, a member of the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, as well a member of the Executive Board of the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA), along with Gina Papan, a member of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), have both expressed concern about Bay Area Rapid Transit's (BART) fiscal responsibility and the proper use of funds.

#### **County Agency Responses**

San Mateo County agencies, including San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans), the TA, and City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (C/CAG) have reportedly recommended eliminating funding for transit coordination initiatives in a letter with proposed changes to the bill.

#### **Additional Information Requested**

There's also a call for further information on BART operations in San Mateo County to understand what its losses were in San Mateo County and what its operations will be in the future. BART is one of the transit agencies that would be sharing in the revenues derived from the new bill. It's been reported that a number of representatives in San Mateo County feel that BART has really "dropped the ball" when it comes to its stations, and they are not sure that BART is even up to the task of taking care of its stations.

#### Importance of Supporting the Bill

In spite of these concerns, others have noted the importance of continuing to support the bill, as it could have devastating impacts if significant funding is not shored up for the major transit operators.

"The Senate passage of SB 63 signals the beginning of a broad regional effort to keep Caltrain alive. If the County does nothing, Caltrain and its fleet of new electric cars may come to a 'screeching halt' and simply shut down...," said David Canepa, MTC Commissioner and President of the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors.

It has yet to be reported if San Mateo County will opt in or not. It still has until August to make that final decision. Polls among the public are still being evaluated.

#### Why Support of Reject

The big decision is whether it is better to pursue a regional funding measure (broad-based funding source) or focus on local initiatives (for local control and funding priorities).

As reported, some San Mateo County officials, who have strong concerns about securing an additional funding source for various transportation needs, such as keeping Caltrain alive, support the regional bill and then there are also those that have equally strong concerns about the potential impacts on local control and funding priorities and don't support the regional bill.

# **Decision Deadline**

The decision on whether San Mateo County will opt in or not is due to be reported by August 11, 2025.

Prepared By:

Barbara Arietta

TA CAC Chair