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Amended AGENDA
Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board
Board of Directors Special Meeting

July 23, 2025, 3:30 pm

Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor
1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA 94070

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Board Workshop - Special Meeting

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance / Safety Briefing
4. Consideration of requests, if any, of Directors to participate remotely due to Emergency Circumstances
5. Discussion regarding Senate Bill 63 and Potential Regional Transit Measure, Motion
including Consideration of Potential Terms for the Allocation of Regional
Transit Measure Funds Earmarked for Caltrain among the Member Agencies
6. Adjournment

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**Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board
Staff Report**

To: JPB Board of Directors

Through: Michelle Bouchard, Executive Director

From: James Harrison, General Counsel

For: July 2025 JPB Special Board of Directors Meeting

Subject: **Discussion Regarding Senate Bill 63 and Potential Regional Transit Measure, including Consideration of Potential Terms for the Allocation of Regional Transit Measure Funds Earmarked for Caltrain among the Member Agencies**

☐ Finance Committee Recommendation ☐ Technology, Operations, Planning, and Safety Committee Recommendation ☐ Advocacy and Major Projects Committee Recommendation

Purpose and Recommended Action

The Governance Ad Hoc Committee recommends that the Board of Directors of the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB or Caltrain) adopt the following recommendations to inform discussions concerning a potential regional transit measure pursuant to Senate Bill (SB) 63:

1. The funding target for Caltrain in the regional transit measure should be approximately \$75 million, which Caltrain will use to fund its operating expenses, and which will serve as a cap on contributions from the regional transit measure and member agencies for the duration of the measure.
2. The annual allocation of these regional funds among the Caltrain member agencies should be approximately: \$32.5 million for Santa Clara County, \$32.5 million for San Mateo County, and \$10 million for the City and County of San Francisco. The precise amounts will be specified in the bill text. This allocation between member agencies is for the sole use of SB 63 and will not set a precedent for future allocations.
3. This allocation formula should be limited to the term of the regional transit measure and should not set a precedent regarding potential amendments to the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA).
4. The member agencies will resume discussions concerning potential JPA amendments with the goal of resolving inconsistencies and ambiguities and eliminating duplicative agreements.

5. The JPB recognizes San Mateo County Transit District's (SamTrans) investment in the acquisition of the right-of-way, its leadership during times of crisis, and the challenges the member agencies have faced as a partnership. The JPB is committed to finding a new path forward where we can work better together on behalf of our riders.

Discussion

Background:

Earlier this year, Chair Heminger designated a Governance Ad Hoc Committee to discuss updates to the JPA and other governance agreements. The members of the Governance Ad Hoc include Margaret Abe-Koga, Jeff Gee, and Steve Heminger.

The Ad Hoc Committee met several times to discuss potential amendments to the JPA. However, due to a desire to inform the Legislature concerning how the member agencies proposed to allocate responsibility for contributing towards Caltrain's projected operating deficit for the purposes of a potential regional transit measure, the Ad Hoc Committee decided to focus its immediate attention on a formula to govern member agency contributions under the JPA.

In response to proposals offered by the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Board and SamTrans, the Ad Hoc Committee narrowed its focus further, from consideration of a member agency contribution formula for the JPA to a more narrow decision about how to allocate regional transit measure revenues earmarked for Caltrain among the member agencies. The members of the Ad Hoc Committee met on July 21, 2025, and agreed to recommend the proposed described below to the full Board.

Recommendation:

The Ad Hoc Committee recommends that the Board consider adopting the following terms:

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Budget Impact

The adoption of the proposed recommendation has no budget impact.

Prepared By: James Harrison

General Counsel

July 22, 2025