

**Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board
Advocacy and Major Projects (AMP) Committee**

**1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA 94070
Minutes of August 27, 2025**

Members Present: Jeff Gee, Margaret Abe-Koga (Vice Chair), Steve Heminger (Chair)

Staff Present: J. Baker, M. Bouchard, C. Fromson, J. Harrison, L. Ko, M. Lee,
L. Lumina-Hsu, D. Ryan, M. Stewart, K. Yin

1. Call to Order

Chair Heminger called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

2. Roll Call

Loana Lumina-Hsu, JPB Deputy Secretary, called the roll and confirmed a quorum was present.

3. Pledge of Allegiance / Safety Briefing

Chair Heminger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

Roland commented on Dumbarton Rail Extension grant funds cancellation and Diridon Station Redevelopment Project progress between the AMP and Technology, Operation, Planning, and Safety (TOPS) Committees.

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes for April 23, 2025

Motion/Second: Gee/Abe-Koga

Ayes: Abe-Koga, Gee, Heminger

Noes: None

6. Authorize Execution of Funding Agreements with Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) for Use of Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Regional Measure 3 and Measure B Funds for the Environmental Phase of the Diridon Station Redevelopment Project and Amend the Fiscal Year 2026 Capital Budget to Increase It From \$34,831,992 to \$66,491,608

Michelle Stewart, Director, Grant and Fund Management; Marian Lee, Diridon Station Project Director, and Elizabeth Scanlon, Transit Practice Leader, Kimley-Horn & Associates, provided the presentation that included the following:

- May 2025 Steering Committee approved Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2028 \$41 million workplan budget, commencement of environmental review, and Caltrain-lead designation

- Caltrain to manage Program Management, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)/California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) documentation and associated technical studies and engineering
- Use funds from Regional Measure 3 (\$27,659,616) and Measure B (\$6,000,000)

Motion/Second: Gee/Abe-Koga

Ayes: Abe-Koga, Gee, Heminger

Noes: None

7. Award a Contract for Diridon Station Redevelopment Project Environmental Phase Services to ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc. for a Total Not-To-Exceed Amount of \$21,101,357 for a Three-Year Base Term, with up to Two Additional One-Year Option Terms for up to \$1 Million per Option Year

Ms. Lee; Ms. Scanlon; Kevin Yin, Director, Contracts and Procurement; and Rich Walter, Project Manager, ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc.; provided the presentation that included the following:

- Two proposals received during solicitation process; Steering Committee determined Request for Proposal (RFP) requirements were met; price analysis conducted
- Funding agreement approval to occur in September and October 2025 for Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) Regional Measure 3 and Valley Transportation Authority's (VTA) Measure B (Caltrain Core Capacity Improvement)

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

- Local firm to coordinate project; proposals received from firms with large teams who can provide necessary technical services for complex and unique scope of work
- Interview process based on scoring range; previous work history (electrification) with ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc.

Motion/Second: Abe-Koga/Gee

Ayes: Abe-Koga, Gee, Heminger

Noes: None

Public Comment

Roland commented on the project's environmental clearance and design.

8. Receive State and Federal Legislative Update

Casey Fromson, Chief of Staff; Jason Baker, Director, Government and Communication Affairs; and Devon Ryan, Government Affairs Officer, provided the presentation that included the following:

Federal:

- Appropriations (passing of bills and continuing resolution); surface transportation bill reauthorization

- August 7 Presidential Executive Order “Improving Oversight of Federal Grantmaking;” previously awarded grants to undergo review for compliance with Federal Administration guidelines; Caltrain currently does not have grants impacted; staff actively tracking

State:

- California State Transportation Authority (CALSTA) Transit Transformation Task Force Meeting; Task Force members directly asking for state operations funding
- Cap-and-Invest Program (renamed from Cap and Trade) proposal to extend until 2045 but does not accommodate previous expenditure levels
 - Potential bookend investments and business case scenarios for High-Speed Rail (HSR)
- Senate Bill (SB) 63 timeline and Caltrain involvement
- SB 125 - Possible revocation of \$25.4 million funds allocated to Caltrain but not yet distributed
- FY27 \$750 million transit operations loan

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- Funding allocations and prioritization for the HSR bookends; organizational body for allocating bookend funds
- Accountability of projects to ensure prioritized projects meet desired outcome
- Cap-and-Invest auctions for predictive allocations; currently, less than anticipated but may be higher in the future

Public Comment

Roland commented on Cap and Invest revenues and mandating train electrification.

9. Committee Member Requests – The Committee requested the Cap-and-Invest presentation and bookend discussion be presented to the full Board.

10. Date/Time of Next Regular AMP Committee Meeting: Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 3:30 pm.

11. Adjourn - The meeting adjourned at 4:31 pm.