

**SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA WATER TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

*(May 24, 2007)*

The Board of Directors of the San Francisco Bay Area Water Transit Authority met in regular session at the Port of San Francisco, Bayside Conference Room, Pier 1 on the Embarcadero, San Francisco, CA.

A meeting of the Board of Directors began at 2:25 p.m. Directors present were President Johnson, Directors Intintoli, B.Johnson, Mancinelli and Wagner. A quorum of the Board was not reached.

**1. REPORT OF BOARD PRESIDENT**

President Johnson had no report to make.

**2. REPORT OF DIRECTORS**

No Directors had a report to make.

**3. REPORTS OF STAFF**

CEO Steve Castleberry reviewed the CEO report highlighting the following issues:

- South San Francisco – There were recent meetings with MTC for terminal design approval and with the San Mateo County Transit Advocates.
- AC Transit has formally indicated its interest in operating the SSF to Oakland service.
- Berkeley – Meetings were held with Berkeley Mayor Bates and Council member Linda Maio. There is strong support from these Councilmembers for the new Berkeley service.
- Fuel Cell project – A review of the Authority's approach to the fuel cell project was made with Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi's staff, who supported for our approach.
- Legislative reports – Senate Bill 976 (Torlakson), which addresses Authority governance, will not be amended until after it passes through Senate and into the Assembly.
- Outreach/Support – Staff plans to attend an awards ceremony given by the Women's Transportation Seminar in order to receive the Employee of the Year award on June 12, 2007.

President Johnson noted that Martinez Councilmember Michael Menesini has expressed interest in taking a more active role in supporting the Authority's efforts. Mr. Castleberry confirmed Martinez staff interest in service in Martinez, but that the preferred site may have a number of obstacles.

**4. COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

**EIP CONTRACT AMENDMENT DISCUSSION**

Mr. John Sindzinski, Manager, Planning and Development, reviewed environmental issues that are being studied at the South San Francisco terminal site. He noted oyster mitigation is being studied and, although there aren't many oysters there now, the potential for growing more oysters there is a possibility in order to meet National Marine Fisheries environmental requirements.

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Director Mancinelli asked what oyster mitigation efforts are being made at SSF since the EIR came out. Mr. Sindzinski answered that EIP is studying survivability of the oysters during and after new construction. He further noted that the oysters clean the water and feed endangered species in the area and that the presence of oysters is likely not to cause dredging problems.

**BOAT NAMING PROCESS DISCUSSION**

Director Wagner commented that she would like the Board to reconsider a color concept for the boat naming process. There was some discussion but consensus was not reached to determine the method for boat naming.

**TRANSLINK COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT DISCUSSION**

Mr. Sindzinski reviewed the advantages of implementation of TransLink on the Authority's services, noting other local agencies are either using it now or plan to soon. MTC will pay the initial software development cost, thereafter the Authority will pay 3% for cost-collecting to a clearinghouse that manages revenue settlement.

Director Withington arrived at 3:15 p.m., at which time President Charlene Haught Johnson called the meeting to order.

**5 ROLL CALL**

The following Board Directors were present: Anthony Intintoli, Beverly Johnson, Charlene Haught Johnson, Nancy Wagner, and Anthony Withington.

**6 PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Johnson reviewed the protocol for public comment.

**7 CONSENT CALENDAR**

Director Wagner requested removal of item 7G and to add new Item 7.1 to the regular agenda.

Pending removal of item 7G and replacement of the same as new agenda Item 7.1, Director Intintoli moved to approve the consent calendar. Director Withington seconded the motion and the item carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 7.1 - Amendment Number 6 to the Agreement with Nossaman, Guthner, Knox and Elliott, LLP, was added to the agenda.

Director Wagner requested to amend the item's resolution to read "work to be assigned via task order" by Nossaman, Guthner, Knox and Elliott, LLP. She then moved to approve the item as Item 7.1 and including the resolution amendment. Director Intintoli seconded the motion and the item carried unanimously.

Director Secchitano arrived at 3:20 p.m.

**8 AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO THE TRANSLINK INTERAGENCY PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT**

Mr. Sindzinski presented this item for approval, noting that the Planning and Development Committee recommended approval of the item.

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Director Secchitano moved to approve the item. Director Intintoli seconded the motion and the item carried unanimously.

Director Withington was absent from the vote.

**9 OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

There were no public comments on items not on the agenda.

**10 ADJOURNMENT**

All business having concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Karen Shelver,  
Board Secretary