

**SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT (DISTRICT)  
1250 SAN CARLOS AVENUE, SAN CARLOS, CALIFORNIA  
MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
APRIL 7, 2021**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** M. Fraser, J. Gee, C. Groom, R. Guilbault, R. Medina, D. Pine,  
**(Via Teleconference)** J. Powell, P. Ratto (Vice Chair), C. Stone (Chair)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** J. Hartnett, C. Mau, J. Cassman, D. Olmeda, A. Chan, J. Brook,  
D. Seamans

**1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Charles Stone called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Ms. Seamans confirmed that a quorum of the Board was present.

**3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL**

**a. Report from Closed Session from March 3 Board Meeting – Existing Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Mitchell Petrovich v. Itres Aly Mohamath, San Mateo County Transit District, and MV Transportation, Inc., Case No. 20-CIV-01791**

Joan Cassman, Legal Counsel, said there was no reportable action.

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**a. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting of March 3, 2021**

**b. Acceptance of Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Period Ending February 28, 2021**

Motion/Second: Medina/Guilbault

Ayes: Fraser, Gee, Groom, Guilbault, Medina, Pine, Powell, Ratto, Stone

Noes: None

Absent: None

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Roland Lebrun requested that closed captioning be enabled for Zoom meetings.

**6. REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

**a. Resolution of Appreciation for Jim Hartnett –Approved by Resolution No. 2021-10**

The directors each provided commemorative words and well wishes to Jim Hartnett, outgoing General Manager/CEO.

Chair Stone noted the passing of former California Assemblymember and South San Francisco Mayor/Councilmember Gene Mullin. He noted Mr. Mullin's early support of Measures W and K and that the meeting would be adjourned in his honor.

Motion/Second: Groom/Gee

Ayes: Fraser, Gee, Groom, Guilbault, Medina, Pine, Powell, Ratto, Stone

Noes: None

Absent: None

## **7. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER/CEO**

### **a. Our Six-year Journey Together**

Mr. Hartnett discussed highlights of his tenure with SamTrans, beginning with the civic leadership underlying the formation of SamTrans in the 1970s.

## **8. BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS/COMMENTS**

**a. Resolution on SamTrans' Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion** – *Approved by Resolution No. 2021-11*

**b. Resolution Honoring Women in Transportation** – *Approved by Resolution No. 2021-12*

The Board members approved both resolutions in one motion.

Motion/Second: Gee/Guilbault

Ayes: Fraser, Gee, Groom, Guilbault, Medina, Pine, Powell, Ratto, Stone

Noes: None

Absent: None

## **9. RECESS TO COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The Board meeting recessed to Committee meetings at 2:50 pm.

## **10. RECONVENE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Chair Stone reconvened the Board meeting at 4:33 pm.

## **11. MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Director Rose Guilbault reported on the following items:

SUBJECTS DISCUSSED:

- a. Accessible Services Update
- b. Paratransit Coordinating Council Update
- c. Citizens Advisory Committee Update
- d. Monthly Performance Report – February 2021

## **12. MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Director Josh Powell led the Board in voting on the following item:

RESOLUTION:

- a. Awarding a Contract to CSched USA for On-Call Bus Scheduling Support Services for a Total Not-to-exceed Amount of \$802,794 for a Five-year Term – *Approved by Resolution No. 2021-13*

Motion/Second: Powell/Pine

Ayes: Fraser, Gee, Groom, Guilbault, Medina, Pine, Powell, Ratto, Stone

Noes: None

Absent: None

### **13. MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: STRATEGIC PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE**

Director Groom reported on the following items:

SUBJECTS DISCUSSED:

- a. Reimagine SamTrans Alternatives and Phase Two Outreach Update
- b. SamTrans Energy Procurement Strategy Study and Draft Energy Policy

### **14. MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Director Marina Fraser led the Board on voting on the following item:

MOTION:

- a. State and Federal Legislative Update and Approval of Legislative Proposals: Support SB 339 (Wiener)

Motion/Second: Fraser/Ratto

Ayes: Fraser, Gee, Groom, Guilbault, Medina, Pine, Powell, Ratto, Stone

Noes: None

Absent: None

### **15. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Chair Stone noted that the correspondence was in the packet (available online).

### **16. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

Chair Stone announced the time and location of the next meeting as Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 2:00 pm, with teleconference details to be provided prior to the meeting.

### **17. GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT**

- a. Closed Session: Conference with Labor Negotiator - Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6**

**Agency-designated Representatives: Pat Glenn and David Olmeda**

**Employee Organizations: Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1574 (Bus Operators, and Maintenance and Customer Service Employees)**

- b. Closed Session – Anticipated Litigation: Initiation of Litigation - Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4): One Potential Case**

Joan Cassman, Legal Counsel, expressed her appreciation of Mr. Hartnett's service. Mr. Hartnett expressed his appreciation of Hanson Bridgett, LLP's dedication to the District.

Public Comment:

Roland Lebrun said that there are currently three bills in the legislature that are going to make Zoom a permanent option for public meetings.

Ms. Cassman noted that there would likely not be Board actions following the closed sessions but that she would provide the report-out from the closed sessions at the next Board meeting on May 5.

**18. ADJOURN**

The Board meeting adjourned into closed session at 4:37 pm in memory of Gene Mullin. The closed session adjourned at 5:43 pm.

An audio/video recording of this meeting is available online at [www.samtrans.com](http://www.samtrans.com). Questions may be referred to the District Secretary's office by phone at 650-508-6242 or by email to [board@samtrans.com](mailto:board@samtrans.com).