# SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT (DISTRICT) 1250 SAN CARLOS AVENUE, SAN CARLOS, CALIFORNIA

# MINUTES OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE / COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE JANUARY 5, 2022

Committee Members Present: M. Fraser (Chair), C. Groom, R. Medina

Committee Members Absent: None

Other Board Members Present Constituting Committee of the Whole: J. Gee,

R. Guilbault, D. Pine, J. Powell, P. Ratto, C. Stone

Other Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: C. Mau, J. Cassman, D. Olmeda, A. Chan, J. Brook, D. Seamans

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Marina Fraser called the meeting to order at 2:53 pm.

Committee Member Carole Groom left the meeting at 2:54 pm.

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING OF DECEMBER 1, 2021

Motion/Second: Medina/Gee

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

Noes: None Absent: Groom

## 3. ADOPTION OF 2022 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Casey Fromson, Chief Communications Officer, presented the staff report.

Director Charles Stone said that he anticipated continuing communication from Ms. Fromson's staff to the Board regarding emerging legislative issues.

Motion/Second: Fraser/Stone

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

Noes: None Absent: Groom

#### 4. STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Ms. Fromson briefly summarized the highlights of recent federal and state legislation. She noted that the Build Back Better Bill continues to be on hold.

Committee Member Groom rejoined the meeting at 3:00 pm.

At the state level, she said that the Governor is scheduled to release his budget on January 10. She said that the state surplus is anticipated to be tens of billions of dollars



and that there is a push to have some of those dollars go towards transportation. She noted that a decision has been made to allow grants to continue to flow to all the agencies and that there may be more legal action in the spring.

## 5. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 3:01 pm.

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