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Supervisors Representing El Dorado County

Rusty Dupray, Vice Chair
Helen Baumann
Jack Sweeney

Kathryn Mathews, Executive Director

MINUTES December 9, 2005

The rescheduled regular meeting of the El Dorado County Transportation Commission was held on December 9, 2005 at 2850 Fairlane Court, Building C Hearing Room, Placerville, California.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Marian Washburn called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

PRESENT: Chair Washburn, Vice Chair Dupray, and Commissioners Acuna, Baumann, Colvin, and Sweeney.

ABSENT: None

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Commissioner Sweeney made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Baumann seconded the motion which carried as follows: AYES: Acuna, Baumann, Colvin, Dupray, Sweeney, and Washburn. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chair Washburn asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak on any item not on the agenda, and there were no comments.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Commission Minutes of November 3, 2005

REQUESTED ACTION: Authorize changes as needed, if any, and approve November 3, 2005 minutes.

B. October, 2005 Warrant Register

REQUESTED ACTION: Receive and file the October 2005 Warrant Register.

C. Overall Work Program and Budget, FY 2005-2006, Amendment #1

REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 05/06.10, Amendment #1 of the FY 2005/2006 Overall Work Program and Budget as presented, and authorize EDCTC staff to submit the document to Caltrans.

D. City of Placerville Regional Surface Transportation Program Exchange Funds Claim

REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 05/06.11 to approve the City of Placerville's claim for \$418,000 in exchanged Regional Surface Transportation Program funds for Road Rehabilitation.

Chair Washburn asked if anyone in the audience or the Commission wished to speak on any item on the Consent Calendar, and there were no comments.

ACTION: Commissioner Sweeney made a motion to approve or adopt the requested action on all items on the Consent Calendar. Commissioner Acuna seconded the motion which, with a roll-call vote, carried as follows: AYES: Acuna, Baumann, Colvin, Dupray, Sweeney, and Washburn. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

4. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING

EDCTC 2006 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)

REQUESTED ACTION:

- Open the public hearing regarding the EDCTC 2006 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)
- Accept public comment regarding the 2006 RTIP
- Close public hearing

EDCTC Executive Director Kathryn Mathews provided a PowerPoint presentation which summarized the RTIP programming targets, programming, strategy, and project list. She noted the final approval of the RTIP would be considered at the February 2006 Commission meeting.

After some discussion, Chair Washburn opened the public hearing asking if anyone in the audience wished to speak on this item. There were no requests, and she closed the hearing.

5. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

A. CalPERS Retirement Program

REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 05/06.12 authorizing the El Dorado County Transportation Commission to contract with the California Public Employees' Retirement System 2% @ 55 Full Formula Retirement Plan with an effective date of January 1, 2006.

Administrative Services Officer, Shirley LeBlanc, summarized the intention of the resolution and reported that this was the last step in the process to contract with Calpers.

In response to Commissioner Sweeney, Nancy Miller, EDCTC legal counsel, noted that there was no unfunded liability with this contract. Janet Dutcher, EDCTC independent auditor, added an actuarial would be done each year with possible future increases in rates.

Chair Washburn asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak on this item, and there were no requests.

ACTION: Commissioner Colvin made a motion to adopt Resolution 05/06.12 to contract with Calpers 2% @55 Full Formula Retirement Plan, effective January 1, 2006. as stated above. Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion which carried as follows: AYES: Acuna, Baumann, Colvin, Dupray, Sweeney, and Washburn. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

B. Audit Reports – FY 2005-2006

REQUESTED ACTION: By motion, accept the six Fiscal 2004/05 Audit Reports and direct staff to transmit the reports to the appropriate State agencies.

Janet Dutcher, EDCTC independent auditor, reported that this year's audit was clean with unqualified opinions, and there was nothing misstated in the reports. She apologized for some reports were missing pages, and she promised to provide them.

Chair Washburn asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak on this item, and there were no requests. She offered compliments to Shirley LeBlanc and Kathy Mathews for consistently providing records that resulted in clean audit reports.

ACTION: Commissioner Sweeney made a motion to accept the audit reports as presented. Commissioner Baumann seconded the motion which carried as follows: AYES: Acuna, Baumann, Colvin, Dupray, Sweeney, and Washburn. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

C. Folsom-El Dorado Corridor Transit Strategy Plan, Final Report

REQUESTED ACTION: By motion accept the Folsom-El Dorado Corridor Transit Strategy Phase 1 Final Report to include the following actions:

The El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC) accepts the Folsom-El Dorado Corridor Transit Strategy Phase 1 Final Report and agrees to work toward transit route adoption and preservation of rights-of-way consistent with the report's findings, and that transit opportunities associated with the Folsom Sphere of Influence and the Elk Grove-Rancho Cordova-Folsom-El Dorado Connector Study be considered further in the next phase.

- This action would not commit the City of Folsom, EDCTC, or other partners to development, purchase, or construction of a transit service in the corridors noted as "preferred." It would request the respective organizations to proceed with refinement of the approach to developing one or more east-west transit connections across the corridor.
- This action would request identification of preliminary actions that can be taken to preserve the opportunity to develop transit services in the preferred corridors.

Senior Transportation Planner Michael Higgins summarized this item and stated this was a multi-agency collaboration done over several years. Tad Widby from Parsons Brinckerhoff provided a PowerPoint presentation on the subject noting recommendations, near-term actions, and key actions for rights-of-way.

ACTION: After some discussion with regard to timing, scheduling, and direction, and an expression of gratitude to Commissioners Baumann and Dupray for their work on the project, Commissioner Sweeney made a motion to accept the report. Vice-Chair Dupray seconded the motion which carried as follows: AYES: Acuna, Baumann, Colvin, Dupray, Sweeney, and Washburn. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

D. Transportation Crisis: Proposition 42

REQUESTED ACTION: By motion, authorize the EDCTC Chair to send the attached letter to Governor Schwarzenegger, Senator Cox, and Assemblymen Leslie and Nakanishi.

Kathryn Mathews reported the timing of this letter was important to prepare for the governor's budget considerations in January.

Chair Washburn expressed appreciation for Director Mathews' wording of the letter. She then opened the floor to comments from the Commissioners and from the public, and there were no requests to speak.

ACTION: Commissioner Sweeney made a motion to approve the letter, which was revised from the Proposition 42 Coalition letter included in the agenda packets. Commissioner Baumann seconded the motion which carried as follows: AYES: Acuna,

Baumann, Colvin, Dupray, Sweeney, and Washburn. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

E. Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA) Match

REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 05/06.13 programming \$60,000 in EDCTC Local Bicycle/Pedestrian Funds to match El Dorado County Department of Transportation's Bicycle Transportation Account application for the El Dorado Hills Bicycle/Pedestrian Overcrossing in the amount of \$500,000.

Senior Transportation Planner Jerry Barton described the project and the process for the BTA match as well as providing a drawing showing the project.

ACTION: Commissioner Colvin made a motion to adopt resolution 05/06.13 programming \$60,000 in Local Bicycle/Pedestrian Funds as stated above. Commissioner Acuna seconded the motion which carried as follows: AYES: Acuna, Baumann, Colvin, Dupray, Sweeney, and Washburn. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

F. 2006 Commission Meeting Schedule

REQUESTED ACTION: Consider the Calendar Year 2006 EDCTC meeting schedule, provide direction regarding the scheduling of meetings that conflict with the California Transportation Commission Meeting schedule, modify as necessary, and by motion, approve the 2006 EDCTC meeting schedule.

The commissioners requested two revisions in this calendar as follows:

- Combine the July and August meeting matters in order to eliminate the August 3 meeting due to the fact that the Board of Supervisors would be on break during that time.
- Reconsider the May 4 meeting when attendance at the annual Capitol-to-Capitol Advocacy trip was confirmed.

Chair Washburn asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak on this matter, and there were no requests.

ACTION: Vice Chair Dupray made a motion to accept the proposed calendar with the noted amendments. Commissioner Acuna seconded the motion which carried as follows: AYES: Acuna, Baumann, Colvin, Dupray, Sweeney, and Washburn. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

G. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for Calendar Year 2006

REQUESTED ACTION: By motion, elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for calendar year 2006.

ACTION: Commissioner Baumann nominated Commissioner Dupray to be Chair for the 2006 year and Commissioner Acuna to be Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Washburn and carried as follows: AYES: Acuna, Baumann, Colvin, Dupray, Sweeney, and Washburn. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Vice-Chair Dupray presented Chair Washburn with an engraved vase in recognition of her service as Chair for the 2005 year, which she graciously accepted. Chair Washburn commented that the EDCTC had become a dynamic player in the transportation field due to the leadership of its executive director and dedication of staff.

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Kathryn Mathews summarized her report and noted the staff retreat was postponed until January. She also indicated that Caltrans had delayed the Highway 50-Placerville Operational Improvements bid opening to February 8th and award to March 15th. Construction is scheduled to begin mid-April.

Randy Pesses from the City of Placerville reported on Placerville Drive planned closures. Commissioner Sweeney suggested Ray Lawyer Drive be improved prior to the Placerville Drive closure to assist with traffic congestion during that time.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS – CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Letter dated October 26, 2005 to Katherine Eastham, Chief, Office of Transportation Planning, Caltrans re: Quarterly Progress and Expenditure Report, First Quarter, FY 2005,2006 from Kathryn Mathews.
- B. Letter dated October 18, 2005 to Ann Marie Robinson, Transportation Planner, Caltrans, re: Master Fund Agreement Invoices from Shirley LeBlanc
- C. Letter dated October 18, 2005 to Ann Marie Robinson, Transportation Planner, Caltrans, re: Master Fund Transfer Agreement Invoices from Shirley LeBlanc
- D. Letter dated October 31, 2005 to John Keltner, Walker's Business Services, from Kathryn Mathews re cancellation of contract for Computer services.
- E. Letter dated November 8, 2005 to Dave Shpak, Planner for City of West Sacramento re: Cross State Bicycle Route Study.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS – NEWS ARTICLES

The Commissioners were provided with a number of media references to transportation items. Commissioner Sweeney distributed a Sacramento Bee editorial with regard to High-Occupancy-Vehicle lanes on Highway 50 in Sacramento.

6. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

There were no additional comments.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair Dupray adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m., to February 2, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., 2850 Fairlane Court, Building C Hearing Room, Placerville, California.

Attest:

Joni G. Rice, Secretary to the Commission
