

**West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee
Board of Directors Meeting
Meeting Minutes: October 23, 2015**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sherry McCoy, Chair (Hercules); Janet Abelson, Vice-Chair (El Cerrito); Tom Butt (Richmond); Gayle McLaughlin (Richmond); Vinay Pimplé (Richmond); Roy Swearingen (Pinole); Cecilia Valdez (San Pablo); Zakhary Mallett (BART); Joe Wallace *replaced mid-meeting by* Chris Peeples (AC Transit).

STAFF PRESENT: John Nemeth, Joanna Pallock, Danelle Carey, Valerie Jenkins, Leah Greenblat, Kris Kokotaylo (Legal Counsel)

ACTIONS LISTED BY: Joanna Pallock

Meeting Called to Order: 8:00 a.m.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:45 a.m.

Public Comment:

- AC Transit Board Member *Chris Peeples* addressed the Board and asked them not to cancel the November 6th WCCTAC Board meeting.
- Hercules City Councilmember *Chris Kelley* spoke in her role as a WestCAT Board Director and asked the WCCTAC Board to support transit. She also asked to have the Board consider supporting a 3-person carpool requirement on I-80 and eliminating current policy to allow two seater vehicles/trucks and low fuel emission vehicles. Ms. Kelley stated that the current high HOV lane volume reduces the benefits of transit over solo vehicles.

Urgency Board Item Added

Staff requested that the Board add an urgency agenda item to address a request to fund the addition of two more public meetings for the West County High Capacity Study.

Motion by Director Valdez; Seconded by Director Mallett. Passed unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by *Director Mallett*; Seconded by *Director Valdez* to adopt consent calendar items #3-#8, and pull Item #7 for further discussion. Passed unanimously.

Item #3. Minutes of September 25, 2015 Board Meeting.

Item #4. Monthly Update on WCCTAC Activities.

Item #5. Financial Reports for September 2015.

Item #6. Payment of Invoices over \$10,000.

Item #8. Executive Director Terms of Compensation

ITEM/DISCUSSION	ACTION
<p>Item #7 Appointment of Kris Kokotaylo as General Counsel to WCCTAC</p>	<p>Motion by <i>Director Wallace</i>; Seconded by <i>Vice-Chair Abelson</i>. The Board sought clarification on the current contract with Meyers-Nave for legal counsel services.</p>
<p>Item # 9 BART Update on Infrastructure Funding and Priorities for the Future</p>	<p>Information Only. BART’s General Manager, Grace Crunican, presented the investment needs for the regional rail system.</p>
<p>Item #10 WestCAT Service Overview and Funding Needs</p>	<p>Information Only WestCAT’s General Manager, Charlie Anderson, provided an overview of the agency’s current system, its service improvement opportunities and its long-term funding needs.</p>
<p>Item #11 AC Transit Service and Expansion Plan (SEP) and Funding Needs</p>	<p>Information Only Robert Del Rosario of AC Transit presented the agency’s draft SEP and discussed the funding needs associated with implementing the changes in Contra Costa County.</p>
<p>Item #12 AC Transit Major Corridors Study</p>	<p>Information Only Mika Miyasato, AC Transit staff, provided an update on the study and explained that the study seeks to identify improvements that will increase reliability and reduce travel times.</p>
<p>Item #13.1 Urgency Agenda Item: Consider using a portion of the contingency to add additional workshops for the West County High Capacity Transit Study</p>	<p>Motion by <i>Director Peeples</i>; Seconded by <i>Mallett</i> and passed 6-3 (<i>Pimplé, Butt and Swearingen</i> opposed) using approximately \$18,000 of the West County High Capacity Transit Study’s contingency funds to hold two additional public meetings (one per round). The Study originally was funded with two rounds of public workshops with two meetings in each round. At a previous meeting, some Board members expressed interest in holding additional meetings. Adding two more meetings would require using approximately \$18,000 of contingency funds.</p>

Item #13.2
Safe Routes to Schools Update

Due to time constraints, this item was moved to the November agenda.