West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee Board of Directors Meeting Meeting Minutes: July 12, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Kelley, Chair (Hercules); Roy Swearingen, Vice-Chair (Pinole); Janet Abelson, (El Cerrito); Tom Butt, (Richmond); Ben Choi (Richmond); Joe Wallace (AC Transit); Maureen Powers (WestCat); Rita Xavier (San Pablo)

STAFF PRESENT: John Nemeth, Joanna Pallock, Coire Reilly, Leah Greenblat

ACTIONS LISTED BY: Joanna Pallock

Meeting Called to Order: 8:05 a.m.

Public Comment: None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion by *Vice-Chair Swearingen*; seconded by *Director Butt*; motion passed.

Item #3. Richmond Ferry Weekend Service Pilot Program - Allocation of Measure 22b Funds in the amount of \$238,400 to fund a pilot program for weekend service on the Richmond Ferry.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

ITEM/DISCUSSION	ACTION
Item #4. New Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP)	Executive Director John Nemeth presented a summary of the Initial Draft TEP released in the afternoon on the previous day (July 11).
	ED Nemeth highlighted the removal of the category for flexible, subregional funds (<i>Regional Transportation Priorities</i>) and noted that these funds are often leveraged by WCCTAC to use as seed money or matching funds for other grants.
	Director Butt emphasized the need to create a TEP that has countywide appeal. Vice Chair Swearingen agreed that countywide appeal was important but asked that a flexible category for RTPCs, like Measure J's 28b, be incorporated into the new TEP.
	Hisham Noeimi, of CCTA staff, assured the Board

that flexibility is built into the TEP. Mr. Noeimi also stated that CCTA will be developing a project evaluation process to ensures that applications for future funds are reviewed equally.

Director Abelson stated this is not reassuring to West County and that there still needed to be a separate fund for flexible purposes in West County. She also asked that a chart showing the funding allocations by subregion be included in the TEP, using both total dollars and percentages.

Director Wallace pointed out that younger voters do a lot of online research about ballot measures and that there needs to be clarity about how funds will be used. Director Butt noted that pages 26 and 27 of the TEP included information about how funds will be used.

Chair Kelley suggested that there could be more clarity about terms like "shard mobility hubs" "maximize system efficiency", and "managed lane strategies" on page 22 of the document, and that the average voter might not understand what these terms mean. She also suggested that the Authority provide more information about what "part-time transit lanes" in the I-80 corridor would entail as mentioned on page 23 of the TEP. Chair Kelley also noted that the language about CCTA "considering" funding for the Hercules RITC on page 23 should be strengthened, since this is a priority project and has funding included in the TEP.

Motion by *Director Butt*, and seconded by *Director Wallace*, to send CCTA a letter that: 1) conveys concerns about a need for funding in the TEP that could be used for grant matching (seed money), 2) requests that a chart be included in the TEP that shows funding allocations by category, and by subregion, in both dollars and percentages, and 3) requests more detail about the level of feasibility in the TEP.

Ayes: Unanimous