

## **TEHAMA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2006**

Present: Commissioners': Gary Strack; Robert Christison; Andy Houghton; Ross Turner; Charles Willard.

Absent: Commissioner George Russell. Also present: Gary Antone, Executive Director; Barbara O'Keeffe, Transit Manager; Doti Watkins, Transportation Planner; Gary Gutierrez, District 2 Project Manager; and John Baros, member of the audience.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Gary Strack.
2. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Commissioner Turner and second by Commissioner Houghton to approve the June 20, 2006 minutes. Carried 5-0 with 1 absent.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Public Hearing on Final Draft 2006 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP): Doti Watkins discussed the Draft 2006 Regional Transportation Plan being readied for adoption in October by the Board. This 20-year vision of the areas multi modal system provides and identifies improvements needed to meet the transportation needs of the County.

Chairman Gary Strack opened the Public Hearing at 8:33 a.m.

Being no comments, the hearing closed at 8:33 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner Turner to accept the final draft 2006 Regional Transportation Plan. Commissioner Houghton seconded and the motion carried 5-0 with 1 absent.

5. Interstate 5 Fee Study Update: Barbara O'Keeffe reviewed and informed the Commission of the adopted resolution endorsing District 2 grant funded Interstate 5 Fee Study, now known as the Fix Five Partnership project intended to address congestion along I-5 from Corning to Shasta Lake. The study, with \$585,000 available, will identify and prioritize projects through 2030 to prevent gridlock on I-5 in the County. Collaboration between counties is essential due to the projected 10 year failure or stop-and-go traffic on I-5.

Gary Antone reiterated the intent of the study and management of congestion on the I-5 corridor.

6. Proposed State Infrastructure Bond Package Update: Barbara O'Keeffe presented a PowerPoint presentation and summarized the bond program funding with regard to the Governor's proposed infrastructure bond package Proposition 1B. The bond package includes \$19.9 billion for transportation improvements throughout the state and includes protection of future Proposition 42 transfers.

Audience member, John Baros, discussed his concern of the growing population and only one road crossing the Sacramento River in Red Bluff. This comment will be reflected in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

Commissioner Turner added there is an emergency route available in South County if Antelope is not available.

Staff requested direction from the Commission regarding the Board of Supervisors and City Council presentations of this issue.

Commissioners' Strack and Houghton stated Corning would like to participate as well as Red Bluff.

Commissioners' concurred the Board of Supervisors should be provided with the presentation.

7. Proposition 42 Update: Barbara O'Keeffe updated the Commission on the Prop 42 monies involved in the State budget recently passed for 2006-2007. Early paybacks including interest provide funding for the maintenance and repair of streets and highways. It is estimated the County will receive \$1,268,510 in repayments.

Gary Antone added the 2006/2007 has yet to be received.

8. Regional Blueprint Planning: Barbara O'Keeffe discussed the studies and planning being examined with the increased regional growth within a twenty-five year period. Impacts on transportation, improvements, and land use and environmental constraints are among the many topics. Shasta County RTPA is applying for blueprint funding which includes Tehama County. If grant monies are available for their application, Tehama County will partner with Shasta in their endeavors.
9. Adopt Final 2006-2007 TCTC Budget - Resolution 14-2006: Motion by Commissioner Turner and second by Commissioner Houghton to approve Resolution 14-2006 adoption of the final 2006-2007 TCTC Budget, Funds 507, 514, 515, 527. Carried by those present 5-0 with 1 absent.
10. SB45 Report on South Avenue Interchange and Adobe Road Landscaping: Gary Gutierrez presented progress reports on RIP funded projects on the State highway system. South Avenue, Mr. Gutierrez stated, is up to date, but during the months of September and October, there may be inconvenience to the City due to underground work necessary to the project. Appraisals have gone up on the property to be acquired, but there will be no impact to capital. One parcel will no longer be needed for the project. During July there was an increase in cost of doing business, but the CE budget should meet the requirements. The July percentage is up 5% on costs to Caltrans.
11. Correspondence: As presented. No questions.
12. June, July, August, and September Claims and Warrants: Chairman Strack made note that due to clerical error, the amount of the claims has been increased by \$2,004.08, making the total claims for June through September \$24,399.88.

Motion by Commissioner Turner and second by Commissioner Houghton to approve the revised amount of claims to \$24,399.88. Carried by those present 5-0 with 1 absent.

13. Adjourn: With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.