

Agenda Item No. 4



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AGENDA: SMART DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

March 18, 2009

1:30 PM

San Rafael City Council Chambers
1400 Fifth Street, San Rafael

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of February 18, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes – **DISCUSSION/ACTION****
- III. Consent Agenda – **DISCUSSION/ACTION****
 - III-a SMART Project Cost Report - **INFORMATION ****
 - III-b Alcalde & Faye Contract, Second Amendment - **DISCUSSION/ACTION****
 - III-c NCRA Repair Invoice – Milton Road Signal Case - **DISCUSSION/ACTION****
 - III-d Travel Reimbursement for Job Applicants – **DISCUSSION/ACTION****
- IV. Agenda Review
- V. Board Member Announcements
- VI. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda (Comments Limited to 3 Minutes)
- VII. SMART General Manager Report (Lillian Hames) – **DISCUSSION**
- VIII. Real Estate Committee Report (Rob Krantz) – **DISCUSSION**
 - A. Committee Update
 - B. Update on Railroad Square
- IX. Report on Portland and San Diego Trips (Lillian Hames) - **DISCUSSION/ACTION***
- X. Prop 116 Application and Resolution 2009-03 (Lillian Hames/Greg Dion) – **DISCUSSION/ACTION***
 - A. Staff Report on Prop 116 Application
 - B. Resolution 2009-03
- XI. Central Marin Ferry Connection Status Report (Lillian Hames/Bill Whitney) - **DISCUSSION/ACTION***
- XII. Appointment of SMART Citizens Oversight Committee (Lillian Hames) - **DISCUSSION/ACTION****

XIII. Next Meetings

- A. SMART Board Meeting: April 15, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. Sonoma County Supervisors Chambers

- B. Real Estate Committee Meeting: April 1, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. Santa Rosa City Council Chambers

- C. Operations Committee Meeting: April 8, 2009 **TBD**

XX. Adjournment - **ACTION**

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**MINUTES OF SMART BOARD MEETING
February 18, 2009
Sonoma County Board of Supervisors Chambers
575 Administration Drive, Suite 102-A
Santa Rosa, California**

I Call to Order

Chair McGlashan brought the meeting to order. The following Board members were present:

Judy Arnold
Al Boro
Peter Breen
Valerie Brown
James Eddie
Debora Fudge
Madeline Kellner
Mike Kerns
Jake Mackenzie
Barbara Pahre
Carol Russell

II Minutes of the January 21th, 2009 SMART Meeting

Director Kerns moved and Director Russell Seconded to approve the minutes of January 21, 2009. Motion passed.

III Consent Agenda

Chair McGlashan introduced the Consent Agenda. Director Breen stated there were two typos on the Travel and Meal Reimbursement Policy. The first typo was on page 3, item 3 it showed “of county business” vs. “of SMART business” and on page 5, first paragraph, the word food was misspelled. Director Pahre stated she emailed some protocols of travel reimbursements to Ms. Hames and would like to review those suggestions in the future. Greg Dion stated the current request was to allow reimbursement of travel for the planned day trips to Portland and San Diego. Chair McGlashan stated there were minor changes to the Board committee roster; Director Breen would now be on the Operations Committee and Director Kellner would be joining the Real Estate Committee. The Consent Agenda was moved by Director Mackenzie, seconded by Director Breen and passed unanimously

IV Public Comments on Items Note on the Agenda

Lionel Gambill stated there was a revised shorter rail tour that he would like to invite all SMART directors to attend. He described the tour and asked that the information and schedule be distributed by SMART staff to the Board. Several Board members commented on how much they learned from the tour and encouraged others to attend. Ms. Hames suggested Nina West coordinate with Mr. Gambill and the Board members for a future tour. Steve Birdleough commented on the floor height of the California passenger

rail car noting that level boarding issues were important considerations in vehicle procurement. Allen Tacy stated bike storage was also an issue to consider in vehicle procurement. Marla Fields thanked Director Kellner for the recommendation of the Novato City Council on the Hamilton Station, noting the door to door work that she and other volunteers had provided on this topic. Ms. Fields encouraged SMART to work with the City of Novato on the whistle stop station proposal for downtown Novato. David Porter stated the City of Novato had requested a station at Atherton, a station at Hamilton and a downtown whistle stop.

Chair McGlashan asked Director Kellner to provide an update on the Novato Council meeting. Director Kellner stated there were quite a lengthy deliberation and noted a previous agreement with Novato by SMART to provide a downtown whistle stop station. She said a letter would be sent to SMART. Director Boro asked for a point of clarification on any previous agreement to provide a whistle stop station in downtown Novato. Lillian Hames stated she was not aware of any agreement, noting her recollection was that Novato had asked SMART in 2001 to drop the downtown Novato Station in exchange for two stations at Atherton and Los Robles and consider a whistle stop in the downtown. Ms. Hames suggested SMART review the documents on this issue before formally responding.

V SMART General Manager Report

Ms. Hames provided the Board with an update on the MTC list for federal stimulus funds noting SMART was not on the list at this time. She noted the bulk of the regional transit funds were programmed for rehabilitation purposes. Ms. Hames stated that staff was finalizing plans for the trips to Portland and San Diego and would be working on ground transportation recommendations. The final trip details and itinerary would be sent out next week. She also provided an overview of the Operations Committee meeting and the presentations of the six rail manufacturers. She noted that a status report on the vehicle selection process would come back to Operations Committee in March.

VI Next Board Meeting Dates

Next Meetings

- A. SMART Board Meeting: March 18, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. San Rafael City Council Chambers
- B. Special Operations Committee Meeting Date: February 27, 2009 Portland, OR
- C. Special Operations Committee Meeting Date: March 2, 2009, San Diego, CA
- D. Next Real Estate Committee Meeting Date: March 4, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. San Rafael City Council Chambers, San Rafael, CA
- F. Next Operations Committee Meeting Date: March 11, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. Sonoma County Board of Supervisor Chambers, 575 Administration Drive, Ste. 102-A, Santa Rosa, CA

VIII Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

**Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit
Project Draw-Downs
November 1, 2000 through February 28, 2009**

Consultants:	HDR Eng.	HDR Eng.	The Results Group	Environmental Consultants	CD&A			Total
TCRP Projects:	Systems Planning	On Call Rail Engineering	Community Outreach	EIS/PE	Station Planning	Final Engineering	Management/ Administration	TCRP Funds Obligated to Date
Estimated Completion (mo/year)	Dec-06	Dec-08	Jun-10	Dec-09	Dec-08	Dec-10	Dec-10	
Phase I TCRP Authorization*	239,292.00	820,708.00	1,000,000.00	3,900,000.00	850,000.00	0.00	890,000.00	7,700,000.00
Additional Phase 1 Authorization**	0.00	240,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	150,000.00	0.00	510,000.00	1,500,000.00
Remaining Phases Authorization***	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,800,000.00	3,000,000.00	27,800,000.00
Total TCRP Funding	239,292.00	1,060,708.00	1,300,000.00	4,200,000.00	1,000,000.00	24,800,000.00	4,400,000.00	37,000,000.00
Original Contract Amount	239,292.00	935,708.00	1,080,040.00	3,610,847.00	246,375.00	0.00	1,200,000.00	7,312,262.00
Contract Amendments	0.00	480,000.00	458,076.50	1,906,442.00	1,055,560.00	0.00	0.00	3,900,078.50
Total Contracts	239,292.00	1,415,708.00	1,538,116.50	5,517,289.00	1,301,935.00	0.00	1,200,000.00	11,212,340.50
Less: Contracts Paid to Date	(239,280.26)	(1,305,587.35)	(1,333,328.01)	(4,536,067.17)	(575,738.38)	0.00	0.00	(7,990,001.17)
Remaining Balance Contracts	11.74	110,120.65	204,788.49	981,221.83	726,196.62	0.00	1,200,000.00	3,222,339.33
Less: Other Expenses Paid to Date	0.00	0.00	(5,225.40)	(328,415.52)	(25,000.00)	(50,417.63)	(3,407,349.20)	(3,816,407.75)
Less: Right of Way Expenses****	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(150,000.00)	(150,000.00)
Total Expenses to Date	(239,280.26)	(1,305,587.35)	(1,338,553.41)	(4,864,482.69)	(600,738.38)	(50,417.63)	(3,557,349.20)	(11,956,408.92)
Measure M Reimbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00	756,047.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	756,047.36
Remaining TCRP Project Balance	11.74	(244,879.35)	(38,553.41)	91,564.67	399,261.62	24,749,582.37	842,650.80	25,799,638.44

Project management/administration includes SMART staff time, legal services, audit and accounting services, and general office services and supplies.

* In May 31, 2006 Phase I TCRP Funds were spent in full and the remaining expenses were reimbursed by Measure M funds.

** Additional Phase I TCRP Funding of \$1,500,000 was approved in July 2006

*** The remaining \$27,800,00 in TCRP Funds (\$3,000,000 for PA&ED and \$24,800,000 for PS&E) was approved by CTC in June 2007

**** Of the original \$7,700,000 TCRP allocation, \$150,000 was re-allocated for ROW expenses



SMART OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AGENDA

March 11, 2009

1:30 p.m.

Sonoma County Board of Supervisors Chambers
575 Administration Drive, Room 100A
Santa Rosa, CA

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Approval of February 11, 2009 Minutes****
- III. Comments from the Public on Non-Agenda Items**
- IV. Report on the Portland and San Diego Committee Trips**
 - a. Staff Update – Kam Shadan**
 - b. Committee Members Report**
- V. Status Report on Vehicle Selection Study – Kam Shadan/LTK Engineering**
- VI. Next Meeting Date: April 8, 2009, Location TBD**
- VII. Adjourn**

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**MINUTES OF SMART OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
February 11, 2009
Marin County Board of Supervisors Chambers
575 Administration Drive, Room 100A
Santa Rosa, CA**

I. Call to Order

Chair McGlashan brought the SMART Operations Committee meeting to order and have constituted the Committee of the Whole: The following Directors were present:

Judy Arnold
Al Boro
Peter Breen
Jim Eddie
Deb Fudge
Carol Russell
Jake Mackenzie
Barbara Pahre
Madeline Kellner

II. Approval of January 14, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Chair McGlashan stated General Manager Lillian Hames had a couple of changes to the minutes of January 14th meeting. Ms. Hames stated there were two changes, the first was on page 2, fourth paragraph- it should state the FRA compliant DMU **design and construction process** would go faster. The second change would be on page 2 in paragraph 5- it should state that Mr. Frandsen said **Triangle Transit in North Carolina** had intended to run their DMU service. In same paragraph Steve Birdlebough stated the sentence should read Steve Birdlebough asked **what lessons had been learned** from North Carolina and New Jersey. FRA. Walter Strakosh asked that the under Item III it should state on page 1 to reflect that bridges and viaducts should be upgraded **only once for both rail services**. With those changes, Director Eddie moved and Director Boro seconded the minutes. It passed with corrections mentioned above.

III. Agenda Review

Chair McGlashan welcomed the rail manufacturers to the Operations Committee and thanked them for traveling to the meeting for their presentations; including those traveling from Japan and Europe. Matt Stevens outlined the process for the meeting presentations, questions and public comments.

IV. Comments from the Public on Non-Agenda Items

David Schonbrunn asked if SMART's consultants could prepare a paper on PTC. John Diamante stated the freight market in Mendocino County and Ukiah should be studied. Lionel Gamble suggested locomotive hauled equipment be considered.

V. Rail Manufacturers Presentation

Kam Shadan gave an overview of the process for vehicle selection including the upcoming LTK Vehicle Selection Report expected later in the spring. Matt Stevens provided time limitations for today's presenters and noted he would provide notice of time allotments. He also noted there would be a video recording of the meeting.

Bill Frandsen of LTK Engineering gave the Board a brief presentation noting that the vehicle study would analyze vehicle technology, FRA compliant and non-compliant vehicle types and the SMART corridor operational environment. He noted that the manufacturers presenting today would be Stadler, Bombardier, Breda, CAF, Nippon Sharyo and Siemens. Director Arnold asked if SMART could run a non-compliant vehicle and still run freight if SMART received a waiver. Mr. Frandsen stated yes that was possible but would require temporal separation and an FRA waiver.

Chair McGlashan welcomed the newest Board Member, Madeline Kellner of the Novato City Council.

First presentation was from Stephen Bonina of Interfleet Technology Inc. representing Stadler GTW DMU II. Mr. Bonina presented information on the Stadler LDMU and responded to questions from the Board on length, ADA standards, on-board facilities and bike storage.

Gary Hallman of Bombardier provided a brief history of his company and provided information on the types of services Bombardier could provide. Chair McGlashan asked about customizing and video cameras. Mr. Hallman stated it can be customized to a degree and video cameras. Wi-Fi is offered. Vice-Chair Fudge asked if electrification could be added later. He stated yes.

Lorenzo Reffreger, from Breda, next presented the history of his company and their product line. He noted their work for Muni and others in the US. He addressed questions from Board members on topics of wheel noises, interior noise, assembly locations and vehicle capacity.

Virginia Verdeja of CAFUSA next provided an overview of her company's history and experience. She outlined the work that CAF had done in Europe and South America and the Africa. She addressed questions on level boarding and ADA requirements.

Hideyuki (Hugh) Ninomiya of Sumitomo presented information on the product line of his company noting their experience with heavy rail transit, light rail transit people mover systems, turnkey transportation projects and freight cars. Mr. Ninomiya stated Sumitomo would have no problems in manufacturing a smaller order.

Frank Guzzo of Siemens provided information on the types of vehicles his company provides in the US and Europe. He noted their manufacturing plant was in Sacramento and that a compliant DMU would be manufactured there. Chair McGlashan asked about time constraints. Mr. Guzzo stated it they could meet the timeline.

Public Comments:

Mr. Birdlebough asked if any of the manufacturers considered using a California Car design, which is FRA compliant. Todd Barrup of Denver CO offered the remaining capital equipment and intellectual property of Colorado Railcar for sale. Mr. Schonbrunn noted that if a vehicle could be diesel and electric, the train could run electric through the tunnels. Allen Tacy stated SMART should look at capacity issues due to high ridership expectations. Lionel Gambill stated he did not care who made the train but the main concerns was quality and the potential to run a hybrid vehicle. Andy Peri asked that bicycle storage be a key element in vehicle choice. Barry Buckley agreed with capacity considerations. Karen Nygren stressed that seating capacity and comfort would be important for the SMART train.

Ms. Hames noted that at the next Operations Committee meeting SMART plans to have preliminary findings from LTK on the Vehicle Selection Study. She hoped a final recommendation on vehicle type could be made at the April 8th Operations Committee meeting. Chair McGlashan stated the Committee should think about their key vehicle requirements for the next meeting.

Mr. Stevens stated the meeting was being taped today and would distribute DVD's to the Board at a later time.

V. Next Meeting: Sonoma County Board of Supervisor Chambers on March 11, 2009

VI. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately at 5:10 p.m.



AGENDA: SMART SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

**March 2, 2009
11:00 AM**

North County Transit District (NCTD) Vehicle Maintenance Facility Offices
1021 W. Washington Avenue
Escondido, California

This is a Special Meeting of the Operations Committee. The Meeting at the Escondido Vehicle Maintenance Facility (VMF) Office in Escondido, California is to inspect real and personal property related to its transit operations.

The Operations Committee shall tour NCTD facilities and receive presentations by NCTD Officials on vehicle and project issues.

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AGENDA: SMART SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

**February 27, 2009
11:30 AM**

Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon (TriMet) Offices
700 N.E. Holladay Street
Portland, Oregon

This is a Special Meeting of the Operations Committee. The Meeting is at the TriMet Offices in Portland, Oregon. The purpose of the meeting is to inspect real and personal property related to TriMet's transit operations.

The Operations Committee shall tour TriMet facilities and receive presentations by TriMet Officials on vehicle and project issues.

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