

**NORTH COUNTY CORRIDOR
TRANSPORTATION EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY**

MEETING MINUTES

April 5, 2017

6:00 P.M.

TENTH STREET PLACE

BOARD CHAMBERS

1010 10TH STREET, MODESTO CA

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Directors Present:

Chairman Terry Withrow, Kristin Olsen, Ted Brandvold, Richard O'Brien, and Pat Paul.

Also Present:

Authority Manager: Matt Machado

Ex-Officio: Samuel Jordan and Elisabeth Hahn (StanCOG alternate)

Legal Counsel: Thomas Boze

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Terry Withrow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM February 15, 2017 (MOTION)

The meeting minutes were approved. *On Motion of Kristin Olsen / Seconded by Ted Brandvold. All in favor – 4/0, Pat Paul abstained.*

3. AGENDA ITEMS

a. Project Update (INFORMATION ONLY)

- Matt Machado provided project update.
- Back in February, the complete environmental package was submitted to headquarters. There were a few comments to address, which were worked on throughout February. There's been a back and forth on a particular comment regarding the ammo plant facility in Riverbank. The Army Corps of Engineers is doing some site cleanup. Caltrans was concerned about the Corps not cleaning up the site and did not want to acquire dirty, contaminated dirt. The Corps was concerned that Caltrans was never going to come out there to do anything, so they haven't been responsive to a cleanup day. The County stepped in and said they will acquire the ROW and ensure that it is clean before Caltrans gets it.
- All comments have been addressed, but as of today it has not begun the 10-day review, so it looks like we won't have a signed environmental document till the end of April, causing the Public Hearing to be pushed into May.
- *Will there be a cost to the Riverbank transition period?* No, cost for the cleanup is taken care of by the Federal government.

Caltrans is the CEQA and NEPA lead agency for the North County Corridor State Route 99 to State Route 120 Project. Public comments collected at this meeting are not part of the CEQA or NEPA public review process and will not be made a part of the official public record.

- *Do we know if the delay at Caltrans is related to bureaucracy? Or is it related to current politics and leverage?* It's related to process. Caltrans is very process-driven and it's the attorneys reviewing the document at this point.

b. Approval of Revised Board 2017 Meeting Schedule (MOTION)

- The goal in revising the schedule to a later time was to allow more people to come to the meetings after work, while not conflicting with other meetings. If approved the new schedule would change to the first Wednesday, which would make the schedule as follows: May 3, June 7, July 5, (August the Chambers is not available), September 6, October 4, November 1, (December the Chambers is not available). The meetings will be held at 6:00 PM. *On Motion of Pat Paul / Seconded by Kristin Olsen. All in favor – 5/0.*

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- None.

5. AUTHORITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Matt Machado provided a photo visual of a roundabout at the eastern connection. The design is two lanes that go all the way through – going east bound. Coming back west bound (back into Oakdale) there are two lanes, allowing a free flow without any conflict points. The design speed that would be posted is 30-35 mph. On the NCC where it comes in to 120, there is a free lane – there's still two lanes, but this one can also go right. (Provided a simulation of a traffic volume forecast at a roundabout with similar geometrics.)
- *Kirk Porter, citizen – Expressed concern with the traffic slow down from 65/70 miles per hour to the 30/35 miles per hour. It's a gradual slow down, curves are introduced hundreds of feet before the roundabout. The curves naturally slow down traffic, so when you get to the roundabout you're not traveling at those faster speeds.*
- *Robert Lawrence, citizen – Had a question about the roundabout direction near the southeast portion of the roundabout. Suggested the use of a simulation that reflects the traffic counts. Stated that slowing traffic down on a highway won't work. (Matt explained the traffic flow and direction). Simulation actually has the traffic counts doubled at a peak hour.*
- Terry Withrow commented that costs and options would continue to be evaluated.

6. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

- None.

7. EX-OFFICIOS' REPORTS

- None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

- Next meeting scheduled for May 3, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

ATTESTED: MATT MACHADO, Authority Manager
of the North County Corridor Transportation Expressway Authority

BY: DENAE J. DAVIS, Administrative Secretary
(The above is a summary of the minutes. An audio recording of the entire meeting is available.)

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There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

ATTEST:

Matthew Machado, Authority Manager of the
North County Corridor Transportation Authority



COUNTERSIGNED BY:

Terrance Withrow, Chairman of the
North County Corridor Transportation Authority


