

STAFF REPORT

DATE: January 23, 2023
TO: Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors
FROM: Tabetha Smith, Clerk to the Board
SUBJ: APPROVAL OF THE ACTION SUMMARY OF DECEMBER 12, 2022

RECOMMENDATION

Motion to Approve.

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING
December 12, 2022**

ROLL CALL: Roll Call was taken at 5:31 p.m. via Zoom. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Harris, Jennings, Kennedy, Nottoli, Schenirer, Serna, Valenzuela, and Chair Miller. Absent: Director Howell. Director Schaefer, to vote as alternate for Chair Miller, joined the meeting at 5:36 p.m. Director Hume joined the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.1 Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of November 14, 2022
- 2.2 Resolution 2022-12-133: Authorize the Board of Directors to Teleconference from December 12, 2022 through January 10, 2023 in Compliance with the Brown Act Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953 as Amended by Assembly Bill 361, During the COVID-19 Pandemic (O. Sanchez-Ochoa/T. Smith)
- 2.3 Resolution 2022-12-134: 2023 Board Meeting Calendar (T. Smith)
- 2.4 Ordinance 2022-12-001: Amending and Restating Title I, Procurement Ordinance, of the SacRT Administrative Code (J. Adelman)
- 2.5 Resolution 2022-12-135: Approving the Fourth Amendment to the Personal Services Contract with Mark Lonergan (C. Flores)
- 2.6 Resolution 2022-12-136: Repealing Resolution 19-07-0085 and Approving the Revised Comprehensive Reserve Policy (L. Chiu)
- 2.7 Resolution 2022-12-137: Approving the Renewal of All SacRT Health and Welfare Benefits for 2023 (D. Topaz)
- 2.8 Resolution 2022-12-138: Adopt the Revised Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (L. Hinz)
- 2.9 Resolution 2022-12-148: Approving the Contract for On-Call Revenue Vehicle Auto Body Repair Services (C. Alba)
- 2.10 Resolution 2022-12-149: Authorizing the General Manager/CEO to Approve a "Fare Equivalent" for Persons Needing to Travel on Existing SacRT Routes Serving Weather Respite Centers (D. Selenis)

- 2.11 Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Enter into a Project Agreement with Northpoint Development LLC and Granting Concurrence to Easement Agreements (J. Adelman)
- A) Resolution 2022-12-145: Delegate Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Enter into a Project Agreement with Northpoint Development LLC and Granting Concurrence to Two Easement Agreements Between the Sacramento-Placerville Transportation Corridor Joint Powers Authority and Golden State Water Company for Two Waterlines, Contingent Upon Securing FTA Concurrence; and
 - B) Resolution 2022-12-146: Delegate Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Enter into a Project Agreement with Northpoint Development LLC and Granting Concurrence to An Easement Agreement Between the Sacramento-Placerville Transportation Corridor Joint Powers Authority and Sacramento Area Sewer District for a Sewer Line, Contingent Upon Securing FTA Concurrence
- 2.12 Approving Contracts for SAP Operational Support and Enhancement Services and Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Award a Contract for SAP Enhancement Services (S. Valenton)
- A) Resolution 2022-12-150: Approving a Contract for SAP Operational Support Services and Enhancement Services to Labyrinth Solutions, LLC; and
 - B) Resolution 2022-12-151: Approving a Contract for SAP Enhancement Services to Sage Group Technologies, Inc.; and
 - C) Resolution 2022-12-152: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Award a Contract for SAP Enhancement Services to EPI-USE America, Inc.

Director Valenzuela thanked SacRT staff for bringing this item forward. She is requesting for staff to explore having regular routes to the large concentration encampment centers when the warming centers are activated.

Mr. Li stated that staff would look into this request.

The Board went to a brief recess in order to rectify some technical issues.

Director Valenzuela moved; Director Schenirer seconded approval of the consent calendar as written. Motion was carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Directors Budge, Harris, Jennings, Kennedy, Nottoli, Schenirer, Serna and Director Valenzuela. Noes: None; Abstain: Director Schaefer; Absent: Directors Howell and Hume.

3. INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

- 3.1 Resolution 2022-12-139: Commending Steve Miller (Vice Chair Kennedy)
- 3.2 Resolution 2022-12-140: Commending Don Nottoli (Chair Miller)
- 3.3 Resolution 2022-12-141: Commending Patrick Hume (Chair Miller)
- 3.4 Resolution 2022-12-142: Commending Jay Schenirer (Chair Miller)
- 3.5 Resolution 2022-12-143: Commending Jeff Harris (Chair Miller)
- 3.6 Resolution 2022-12-144: Commending Kerri Howell (Chair Miller)

Vice Chair Kennedy commended Chair Miller on his sixteen years of service on the SacRT Board of Directors representing the City of Citrus Heights and highlighted some of the many accomplishments during those years. He stated Chair Miller is a true gentleman and congratulated him on his School Board Member position.

Chair Miller commended Director Nottoli on his twenty-four years of service on the SacRT Board of Directors representing the County of Sacramento and highlighted some of the many achievements during those years. He shared that Director Nottoli has been a constant repository of SacRT history and a voice of reason.

Director Serna complimented and publicly thanked Director Nottoli for his advice, counsel, partnership, and conversations over the years.

Public comment was taken by phone from Jeffery Tardaguila.

Mr. Tardaguila thanked the leaving Board members for their help in transportation and stated he will miss their institutional knowledge. He commented that there are problems with the 2200 buses, the bus shelters and application information need to be updated.

Chair Miller commended and congratulated the future Sacramento County Supervisor, Director Hume, on his sixteen years of representing the City of Elk Grove on the SacRT Board. He highlighted accomplishments while on the Board and stated Director Hume has worked tirelessly to extend light rail to Elk Grove and hopefully it will get there soon.

Chair Miller commended Director Schenirer for his eleven years of service on the SacRT Board of Directors representing the City of Sacramento and highlighted achievements during the time served on the Board. He recognized Director Schenirer as the City's youth champion of SacRT's Ryde Free RT initiative, one of SacRT's most successful programs.

Chair Miller next commended Director Harris for his eight years of service on the SacRT Board of Directors representing the City of Sacramento and highlighted accomplishments during that time. Chair Miller stated that Director Harris was instrumental in the opening

of the Wexler Building, the first Transit Oriented Development (TOD) in the Sacramento region.

Chair Miller next commended Director Howell for her four years of service on the SacRT Board of Directors representing the City of Folsom and highlighted accomplishments during that time. Director Howell was instrumental in the City of Folsom annexing their transit services into the SacRT system.

Director Nottoli added his thanks, appreciation, and gratitude to all his colleagues, those leaving and remaining for their commitment to public transportation. He said it has been a great opportunity to have worked with outstanding SacRT staff, engage with the public and have served with all the Board members. It has been the goal of the Board to bring together the region, connecting it with public transportation opportunities and find innovative ways to extend service to underserved or unserved areas. He will take away fond memories and thanked Mr. Li, the Board and SacRT staff.

Chair Miller said he could not have said it better himself.

Director Schenirer dittoed what Director Nottoli said. He shared that SacRT was not doing well when he started on the SacRT Board, and it has been a pleasure to watch SacRT bloom into a national model of what can be done for public transportation. He recognized this was not done alone and thanked his colleagues, SacRT staff and Mr. Li. He complimented Mr. Li on his leadership and willingness to take risks and doing things differently.

Director Harris agreed with Director Schenirer and appreciates the professionalism of the SacRT Board in terms of making tough decisions. He shared that the pandemic almost made transit a thing of the past. Director Schenirer recognized the leadership of the Board, Mr. Li and staff for fighting through and climbing out quite well.

Director Serna stated that SacRT Board members share common constituencies and recognized leadership and contributions from Director Harris and Director Schenirer who teamed up, worked together, and collaborated on solutions. He also acknowledged the innovative spirit and creative thought process that the Board has enjoyed even in times that mounting challenges were faced.

Chair Miller announced serving has been a labor of love for him and transit was big for him as it was the only way his father traveled. He acknowledged his wife for her support.

Budge moved; Director Kennedy seconded approval of items 3.1 to 3.5 as written. Motion was carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Directors Budge, Harris, Jennings, Kennedy, Nottoli, Schaefer, Schenirer, Serna and Director Valenzuela. Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: Directors Howell and Hume.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. PUBLIC HEARING

6. PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public comment was taken by phone from Glenn Mandelkern and Helen O'Connell.

Mr. Mandelkern thanked the Board members who have served and wished them well. He commented then that his holiday wish is for Watt Avenue Bus Rapid Transit Service to go up and down Watt Avenue.

Ms. O'Connell is concerned about the communication and the availability in different languages with regards to the 59th Street low-floor conversion and the construction that will start next month.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- 7.1 Motion: Intent Motion to Select the Chair and Vice Chair of the Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors for 2023 (T. Smith)

ACTION: APPROVED – Director Harris moved; Director Serna seconded approval of the selection of Vice Chair Kennedy as Chair and Director Jennings as Vice Chair of the SacRT Board for 2023. Motion was carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Directors Budge, Harris, Jennings, Kennedy, Nottoli, Schaefer, Schenirer, Serna and Director Valenzuela. Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: Directors Howell and Hume.

- 7.2 Resolution 2022-12-147: Receive and File the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, Reports on Compliance and Internal Controls as Required by Uniform Guidance, and the Transportation Development Act Report to the Board of Directors for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022 and Designate \$6,222,654 to SacRT's Operating Surplus and \$5,053,586 of Working Capital Reserve to SacRT's Operating Reserve (L. Chiu)

Lawrence Chiu presented the Annual Financial Comprehensive Report. The independent audit, conducted by Crowe, provides assurance that the financial statements are free of misstatements and conform with the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. He announced this is the third year in a row that SacRT has received no audit findings and that SacRT has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in financial reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association since 2000. The total operating reserve will be \$42 million and there is approximately \$100 million in Covid relief funds which brings the operating reserve to 60 days of annual operating expenses. Mr. Chiu thanked the Board for exceptional decisions on fiscal strategy and Mr. Li, Ms. Valenton and the Executive Management Team for their strong leadership. He also thanked the finance team for their hard work in completing the audit and annual financial report.

Director Schenirer asked Mr. Li what the operating reserve was when he took over.

Mr. Li responded the operating reserve was short about \$1 million dollars.

Mr. Schenirer rested his case stating the reserve has gone from minus \$1 million to \$42 million and moved the item.

Schenirer moved; Director Jennings seconded approval of items 7.2 as written. Motion was carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Directors Budge, Harris, Jennings, Kennedy, Nottoli, Schaefer, Schenirer, Serna and Director Valenzuela. Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: Directors Howell and Hume.

8. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- 8.1 General Manager's Report
 - a. Major Project Updates
 - b. SacRT Meeting Calendar

Mr. Li announced that today is a milestone moment in SacRT's history with six of eleven board members retiring who collectively represent 79 years of service furthering SacRT's missions and goals. With the Board's vision and confidence in Mr. Li and SacRT staff, the agency has been transformed and leads the industry in many facets. Mr. Li thanked the retiring board members for their extraordinary leadership and service to society and the Sacramento region.

Mr. Li commended Director Schenirer as the Chair leading a national search for Mr. Li to become the CEO and for giving him the confidence to think innovatively and do things differently. Mr. Li acknowledged Director Schenirer as the grandfather of the student Ryde Free RT program as it was his leadership and determination that culminated the industry setting program. At Director Schenirer's retirement party, many people, including Mayor Steinberg, recognized him as the most accomplished elected official in the City of Sacramento's history.

Mr. Li commended Director Hume stating he has been a tremendous advocate for public transit and a relentless leader for fiscal conservative policy during his tenure on the SacRT Board. Director Hume's strong leadership helped turn around the agency from a potential fiscal cliff to a financially strong organization. He championed the South Line Phase 2 extension to CRC and was instrumental with the annexation agreement with the City of Elk Grove.

Mr. Li commended Kerri Howell recognizing in her tenure, SacRT and the City of Folsom reached an annexation agreement. SacRT secured over \$30 million in funding to additional track on the Gold Line to enable 15-minute headways to the City of Folsom. She helped advocate for improved late-night service to Folsom, ensuring better connectivity to the entire region.

Mr. Li then commended Director Harris describing him as a tireless advocate for SacRT

and thanked him for his dedication, guidance, and leadership. Mr. Li is particularly thankful for his effort around housing development or TODs along SacRT rail lines and the opportunity to celebrate the opening of the Wexler student housing development. Director Harris also fostered the new community in the River District, Mirasol Village.

Mr. Li commended Director Nottoli on twenty-four years of service stating he is basically the Godfather of SacRT. He has seen us grow and expand. The list of projects he impacted and the community members he touched over the years is endless. Director Nottoli has been a steady hand and a voice of reason and will be very missed.

Mr. Li commended Chair Miller stating the Chair has seen the worst and best of times. As Chair in 2010 SacRT was emerging from the Great Recession and was forced to make service cuts and tough financial decisions. In the Chair's latest tenure, SacRT received the Outstanding Transportation System of the Year in 2021 in North America award which is the best of the best honor and privilege. Chair Miller was vital to the annexation agreement with the City of Citrus Heights which paved the way for others to consider joining SacRT. Chair Miller's leadership led to the historical SacRT regionalization effort and helped SacRT receive close to \$300 million in discretionary grant funding.

Mr. Li concluded his remarks by wishing everyone a safe and happy holidays. He is grateful the SacRT team was able to celebrate last week and thanked Director Jennings, Director Hume and Assemblymember Nguyen for attending the celebration.

Chair Miller thanked the entire organization and stated the Board gets a lot of credit, but they just set the course and the credit really is due to Mr. Li and SacRT staff that literally and figuratively get us where we want to be.

9. REPORTS, IDEAS AND QUESTIONS FROM DIRECTORS, AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.1 Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority Meeting Summary of November 16, 2022 (Harris, Miller)

Director Harris commented that CCJPA is bouncing back after the pandemic and ridership is returning but it has been a rough road with a lot of trespass incidents.

Public comment was taken by phone from Jeffery Tardaguila.

Mr. Tardaguila thanked the Capital Corridor and mentioned there is a need for more than one conductor as ridership increases. He hopes there is due consideration taking place on which new single floor cars will be utilized on the 19th Street corridor.

9.2 San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority Meeting Summary of November 18, 2022

10. **CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (If Necessary)**
11. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**
12. **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**
13. **CLOSED SESSION**
14. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**
15. **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**
16. **ADJOURN**

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

STEVE MILLER, Chair

A T T E S T:

HENRY LI, Secretary

By: _____
Tabetha Smith, Assistant Secretary