

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order by Board Chair Scott Haggerty at 2:05pm.

2. Roll Call of Members

**Members Present**

Supervisor Scott Haggerty (Chair), Alameda County  
Supervisor Bob Elliott, San Joaquin County  
Councilmember Veronica Vargas (Vice Chair), City of Tracy  
Mayor John Marchand, City of Livermore  
Director Bernice King Tingle, Mountain House  
Councilmember Philip O'Loane, City of San Ramon  
Vice Mayor Karen Stepper, Town of Danville  
Vice Mayor Melissa Hernandez, City of Dublin  
Councilmember Paul Akinjo, City of Lathrop  
Councilmember Sol Jobrack, City of Stockton  
Board Member Bob Woerner (Livermore), LAVTA  
Board Member John McPartland (District 5), BART  
Board Member Leo Zuber (Ripon), ACE

**Members Absent**

Mayor Jerry Thorne, City of Pleasanton  
Councilmember Debby Moorhead, City of Manteca

3. Public Comments: Members of the public may address the Board on any issues not listed on the agenda that are within the purview of the Authority. Comments on matters that are listed on the agenda may be made at the time the Board is considering each item. Time limits on public comments may be established by the Chair.

No public comments.

4. Approve Minutes of February 13, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting – **ACTION**

Approved: Vargas/Hernandez

Aye: Elliott, Marchand, Vargas, Woerner, Akinjo, Stepper, Zuber, O'Loane, McPartland, Hernandez, Tingle, Haggerty, Jobrack

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Thorne, Moorhead

5. Executive Director's Report – **INFORMATION**

Executive Director Michael Tree provided a PowerPoint presentation to the Board of Directors providing a highlight of briefings, workshops, and presentations that were conducted, as well as upcoming workshops and presentations. Executive Director Michael Tree handed out a packet that

included fact sheets, a quick flyer, and briefing book to Board Members to assist when talking about Valley Link. Executive Director also reviewed the Project Timeline.

The item was informational only.

6. Treasurer's Report – **ACTION**

The Board of Directors approved the financial statements comparing the budgeted amounts approved at the December Board meeting to the expenses through the end of January 2019.

Approved: Vargas/McPartland

Aye: Elliott, Marchand, Vargas, Woerner, Akinjo, Stepper, Zuber, O'Loane, McPartland, Hernandez, Tingle, Haggerty, Jobrack

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Thorne, Moorhead

7. Budget Amendment – **ACTION**

Executive Director Michael Tree provided the Budget Amendment to the Board of Directors. For Governmental Relations, Public Affairs and Community Engagement, \$400,000 has been provided by Alameda County. An additional \$100,000 has been provided through the City of Tracy, the City of Lathrop, and developers within the Tracy and Lathrop area.

The Board of Directors approved an amendment to the budget to add a revenue line item of \$500,000 and a corresponding expense line item for \$500,000.

Approved: Stepper/Tingle

Aye: Elliott, Marchand, Vargas, Woerner, Akinjo, Stepper, Zuber, O'Loane, McPartland, Hernandez, Tingle, Haggerty, Jobrack

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Thorne, Moorhead

The item was discussed by the Board of Directors and staff.

8. Award of Contract for Government Relations, Public Affairs and Community Engagement – **ACTION**

Executive Director Michael Tree provided information on the Award of Contract for Government Relations, Public Affairs and Community Engagement to the Board of Directors. Eight proposals were received in accordance with the requirements established in the Request for Proposal (RFP). The top four firms in the Competitive Range were interviewed. All proposals were evaluated for responsiveness and responsibility, including a review by the Authority's Legal Counsel. The individuals on the scoring panel ranked Vox Populi as the apparent best value.

The item was discussed by the Board of Directors and staff. Board Member Bob Elliott inquired about the acquisition of the funds added to the budget from developers and if there is any conflict of interest. Legal Counsel Michael Conneran informed that there is no concern, because there has been no quid pro quo or promises made to the developers and the funds are flowing to the agency not from the agency.

The Board of Directors approved a one-year contract with two one-year option terms for Government Relations, Public Affairs and Community Engagement services to Vox Populi for a firm fixed price of \$390,000 per year for the base scope of work and an amount not to exceed \$110,000 per year for third-party advertising media expenses and additional ad hoc services. Additionally, the Board Authorized the Executive Director, or designee, to issue a Notice to Proceed for the first year of services only. Board authorization is required to exercise option years one and two.

Approved: Vargas/Hernandez

Aye: Elliott, Marchand, Vargas, Woerner, Akinjo, Stepper, Zuber, O'Loane, McPartland, Hernandez, Tingle, Haggerty, Jobrack

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Thorne, Moorhead

9. Valley Link Project Delivery – **ACTION**

AECOM Richard Wolsfeld and Bob Brownstein provided a PowerPoint presentation on project delivery methods. AECOM Richard Wolsfeld recommended the following:

- Drop Design Bid Build (DBB) from further consideration.
- Drop Construction Manager / General Contractor (CM/GC) from further consideration.
- Design Build should be the minimum approach for Project Delivery to meet the cost, schedule, and innovation project goals.
- Capital Maintenance of the civil infrastructure (e.g. track) should be considered for inclusion in the preferred delivery method to take advantage of life cycle costing and to transfer State of Good Repair risks to the contractor.
- Defer Operation and Maintenance (O&M) decision until further development of the design.
- Defer the decision on including a private equity requirement and financing until sources of funding are confirmed.
- After project approval, initiate the drafting of the procurement documents (to complement the 30% drawings) with a focus on Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), risk allocation, and general responsibilities.

The item was discussed by the Board of Directors and staff.

Board Chair Scott Haggerty asked for public comment on this agenda item.

CEO of Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce Dawn Argula, Livermore resident, spoke regarding the Tri-Valley Chamber of Commerce Alliance (TVCCA) and their support of the success of Valley Link. Ms. Argula provided the Board of Directors a letter that was sent to Staff and Supervisor Scott Haggerty.

The Board of Directors approved to drop Design Bid Build and Construction Manager / General Contractor.

Approved: Vargas/Stepper

Aye: Elliott, Marchand, Vargas, Woerner, Akinjo, Stepper, Zuber, O'Loane, McPartland, Hernandez, Tingle, Haggerty, Jobrack

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Thorne, Moorhead

10. Directors' Discussion: Comments, Questions and Agenda Requests

None.

11. Next Meeting Date: April 10, 2019 at Tracy City Hall, 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy

12. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:23pm.