

Tri-Valley San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority (TVSJVRRRA)
Minutes of October 13, 2021 meeting via Zoom Teleconference

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

The meeting of the board of directors was called to order by Chair Veronica Vargas at 2:02 p.m. Director Leo Zuber lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **Roll Call of Members**

Members Present

Chair Veronica Vargas, City of Tracy
Vice Chair Melissa Hernandez, City of Dublin
Director Paul Akinjo, City of Lathrop
Director Benjamin Cantu, City of Manteca
Director David Hudson, San Ramon
Director Brittni Kiick (Livermore), LAVTA
Director Bernice King Tingle, Mountain House
Director John McPartland (District 5), BART (**arrived during Item 5*)
Director Kathy Narum, City of Pleasanton
Director Robert Rickman, San Joaquin County
Director Karen Stepper, Town of Danville
Director Bob Woerner, City of Livermore
Director Leo Zuber (Ripon), ACE

Members Absent

Director David Haubert, Alameda County
Director Dan Wright, City of Stockton

3. **Public Comments**

There was no public comment.

4. **Consent Calendar – ACTION**

Motion to approve all items on Consent Calendar as follows:

- a. Minutes of July 14, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting.
- b. Preliminary Treasurer's Report for June 2021, Treasurers Report for July and August 2021.

Motion: Hudson/Zuber

Aye: Akinjo, Cantu, Hudson, Hernandez, Kiick, Narum, Rickman, Stepper, Tingle, Vargas, Woerner, Zuber

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Haubert, McPartland, Wright

Motion Passed

5. **Executive Directors Report – INFORMATION**

Executive Director Michael Tree summarized the details of his staff report. Deputy Executive Director Kevin Sheridan shared a presentation on the Altamont Straightening and I-205 Alignment Concept. Tree and Sheridan took questions and comments from members of the board. Public comment was heard from Roland Lebrun, Octavio Silva and Vaughn Wolfe.

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6. Resolution R15-2021 Declaring Agency Meetings will continue to be held via Teleconference – ACTION

Motion for the Board to adopt a resolution declaring that agency meetings will continue to be held via teleconference to ensure the health and safety of the public.

Attorney Michael Conneran introduced this item. He advised that due to the requirement of AB361 where the Board must declare every 30 days that it has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency the board may be required to have a special meeting between the December 2021 and January 2022 meetings since there are over 30 days between meetings.

Directors discussed this item. Public comment was heard from Roland Lebrun.

Motion: Hudson/Stepper

Aye: Akinjo, Cantu, Hudson, Hernandez, Kiick, McPartland, Narum, Rickman, Stepper, Tingle, Vargas, Woerner, Zuber

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Haubert, Wright

Motion Passed

7. Resolution R16-2021 AECOM Contract Agreement Addendum #4 – ACTION

Motion to approve Resolution R16-2021 authorizing an increase of \$49,192 in Addendum #4, to a total addendum amount not to exceed of \$99,142 to the Professional Services Agreement with AECOM Technical Services, Inc.

Sheridan introduced this item. Directors discussed this item. There was no public comment.

Motion: Hudson/King-Tingle

Aye: Akinjo, Cantu, Hudson, Hernandez, Kiick, McPartland, Narum, Rickman, Stepper, Tingle, Vargas, Woerner, Zuber

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Haubert, Wright

Motion Passed

8. Funding Acquisition Strategies and Financing Planning – INFORMATION

Tree gave the floor to Consultant David Kutrosky of DBK Advisory Services. Kutrosky gave a presentation and overview of the work under Work Directive 0002 that has been started and will include the development of funding strategies for the Valley Link project. The board discussed this item. Public comment was heard from Roland Lebrun.

9. Directors' Discussion

There was no discussion.

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10. **Adjourn to CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1):**
Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation; Alameda County Taxpayers' Assoc. v. Tri-Valley — San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority et al., Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG21110126
11. **Reconvene to OPEN SESSION**
No reportable action was taken during closed session.
12. **Next Meeting**
November 10, 2021 at 2 p.m.
13. **Adjourn (Stepper/Hudson)**
Meeting adjourned without objection at 3:45 p.m.