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BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING RECORD

Regular Meeting
November 17, 2016, 4:00 p.m.
Eureka City Hall, Council Chambers
531 K Street, Eureka CA 95501

Present:

Supervisor Estelle Fennell (Alternate)	County of Humboldt
Mayor Frank Jäger, Vice Chair	City of Eureka
Mayor Paul Pitino	City of Arcata
Mayor Don Hindley	City of Ferndale
Mayor Michele McCall-Wallace	City of Blue Lake
Councilmember Jack West	City of Trinidad
Councilmember Doug Strehl	City of Fortuna
Councilmember Gordon Johnson	City of Rio Dell

Policy Advisory Committee Members:

Kevin Tucker	Caltrans District 1
Mark Lovelace	Humboldt Transit Authority

Staff:

Debra Dees	Associate Planner
Debbie Egger	Fiscal Administrative Officer
Christie Smith	Executive Assistant

Absent:

1. Call to Order

Vice-Chair Frank Jäger called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Unmet Transit Needs (UTN) Public Hearing

The Board conducted a public hearing and received public comments pursuant to Public Utilities Code Sections 99238.5 and 99401.5.

The following individuals provided comments on unmet transit needs:

Graham Russell – Requested weekend service. Service from Avenue of the Giants to Garberville and Garberville to Eureka.

Dolly Russell – Requested weekend service.

Supervisor Fennell provided comments received from her constituents Siena Klein and Carrie Conine requesting weekend service to Southern Humboldt.

3. Adjournment of the HCAOG Board; Convening of the Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)

The PAC convenes to include representation from Caltrans and the Humboldt Transit Authority Board for items specific to transportation.

4. Public Participation

There was no public participation for items not on the agenda.

5. Approval of the Meeting Record – October 20, 2016

Motion was made (Johnson/Hindley) to approve the October 20, 2016, meeting record as presented.

Motion carried.

Abstentions: Fennell, McCall-Wallace, West

6. Highway 101, Fortuna Downtown and Riverwalk Area Complete Streets and Connectivity Planning Study Presentation

Josh Wolf of GHD Inc., and City of Fortuna Public Works Director Merritt Perry provided a presentation on the Complete Streets and Connectivity Planning Study.

7. Consent Calendar

Motion was made (Fennell/Johnson) to approve the following consent item:

- a. Authorize the Executive Director to Execute the FY 16-17 Local Transportation Fund Claims for the Cities of Rio Dell, Fortuna, and Blue Lake.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Items Removed from Consent Calendar

No items were removed from the consent calendar.

9. Reconvening of the HCAOG Board

Motion was made (Johnson/West) to reconvene as the HCAOG Board and approve the PAC recommendations.

Motion carried unanimously.

10. HCAOG Staff and PAC Members Reports

Mayor McCall-Wallace announced that this is her last HCAOG Board meeting and expressed her appreciation participating on the HCAOG Board.

Councilmember Strehl recently attended the Highway 36 Association meeting in Red Bluff and reported that the highway improvement project on State Route 36 from Burr Valley Road to Buck Mountain Road near Dinsmore is anticipated to begin in the summer of 2017. The project includes road widening and a two-lane highway. Partial road closure is expected during the day with traffic only allowed through a few times each day. The road will be impacted for up to three years.

Supervisor Fennell reported on the recent Willits Bypass opening ceremony and the opportunity to hear from area residents who look forward to the quality of their life changing with the opening of the bypass.

Mayor Jäger reported that as a result of the Willits Bypass opening, the City of Eureka has the honor of having the first stoplight north of San Francisco on Highway 101. The Mayor of the City of Willits attended Eureka's Council meeting and presented a recognition plaque to the City of Eureka.

Supervisor Lovelace and the Board discussed the results of Measure U.

Mayor Pitino reported that the City of Arcata approved a contract for the Humboldt Bay Trail North, from Samoa Boulevard to the Bracut Mill Yard.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christie Smith, Executive Assistant