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APPROVED MINUTES

Summary of Board of Directors
Executive Committee Meeting
9:30 a.m., Thursday, November 19, 2009

- Call to Order - Roll Call:** Chairperson Pamela Torliatt called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.
- Present:** Chairperson Pamela Torliatt; Committee Members Tom Bates, Chris Daly, Scott Haggerty and Mark Ross
- Absent:** Vice Chairperson Brad Wagenknecht; Directors John Gioia, Yoriko Kishimoto and Gayle Uilkema
- Also Present:** Hearing Board Chairperson Tom Dailey, M.D.
- Public Comment Period:** None

Quarterly Report of the Hearing Board – July 2009 – September 2009

Hearing Board Chairperson Tom Dailey presented the Quarterly Report of the Hearing Board – July 2009 – September 2009.

Committee/Staff Discussion and Comments:

Directors questioned and clarified information relating to variance applications with Chairperson Dailey.

- Approval of Minutes:** Director Haggerty made a motion to approve the September 24, 2009 minutes; seconded by Director Bates; carried unanimously without objection.

Committee Action: None; for information only.

Update of Survey Results Relative to Potential Relocation of Air District Headquarters

Executive Officer/APCO gave a presentation on the background on strategic facility planning study to date, the study's process and progress, co-location discussions, highlights of employee survey results, and next steps.

Committee/Staff Discussion and Comments:

Directors clarified that employees prefer being located in San Francisco; the current building is difficult to retrofit and is not energy efficient, and many employees use public transit; however, visitors find it hard to navigate using Muni to travel to District headquarters. Director Daly reiterated his previous position regarding vacating the existing headquarters building, and Mr. Broadbent discussed retrofit options, expressed interests for co-location with MTC and/or

ABAG, the need for economic analyses and Directors continued discussion regarding options for an energy audit and preference for location along the BART rail line.

Public Comments:

Terry Green, Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), cited interest by MTC for co-location and discussed the need for planning efforts. She briefly discussed MTC employee demographics and indicated their staff had not been surveyed.

Directors continued discussion regarding determination of residual value of the current District building, options to convert the building to residential use, square footage needs, zoning issues, access for public meetings, and the potential that the building could provide support to the proposed future hospital project at the Cathedral Hotel site.

Directors supported the need for an energy audit, economic analyses, determination of residual value of the current building, for continuation of discussion among Executive Directors of all four regional agencies and work to formulate a Request for Proposals (RFP).

Committee Action: None; for information only.

Joint Policy Committee Update

Ted Droettboom, Regional Planning Program Director, Joint Policy Committee, presented a Joint Policy Committee progress report regarding the following:

1. Focused Growth – including FOCUS, TOD, TLC, and Stationary Area Planning
 - a. New Priority Development Areas (PDAs) in the cities of East Palo Alto, Pinole, San Rafael, San Jose and South San Francisco.
 - b. PDA Assessment
 - c. Stationary Area Planning Program
 - d. FOCUS Technical Assistance Program
 - e. Revised Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Program
2. Climate Priorities
 - a. Begin development of the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SB 375)
 - b. Design and adopt an Indirect Source Rule
 - c. Develop and advance climate-friendly regional parking policies
 - d. Provide support for a coordinated public/private regional plan for electric vehicles
 - e. Design and implement a regional solar installation/energy efficiency financing program for residential/commercial buildings
 - f. Coordinate a regional/local approach to climate adaptation
3. 2009 Clean Air Plan
4. CEQA Guidelines
5. Transportation 2035 Implementation
6. Climate Bay Area

Mr. Droettboom said the one significant event is the first meeting of Climate Bay Area on Tuesday, November 17, 2009 held in Berkeley which was a great kick-off event. There were 80 attendees and he noted that people are extremely interested in the concept.

Committee/Staff Discussion and Comments:

Director Haggerty referred to Station Area Planning Program for Alameda County indicates the staff liaison is on medical leave and is unavailable, and he confirmed Mr. Droettboom has not yet received a progress report, but staff will return at the beginning of next month. He noted progress being made.

Director Ross confirmed that the next Climate Bay Area meeting is scheduled in another two to three months. Mr. Droettboom said a lot of the work is done through informal arrangements through telephone and email in order to make connections.

Director Bates questioned the product out of the meeting. Mr. Droettboom stated the product will be an identification of major issues in common that require some joint effort. These will be reported back to the JPC at the January meeting; he cited concern of financing efforts underway and briefly discussed the notion of creating a financing mechanism to extend climate efforts.

Committee Action: None; informational only.

Air District's Role with the Joint Policy Committee (JPC) and Policies Regarding SB 375

Deputy APCO, Jean Roggenkamp gave the staff presentation, stating that the JPC referred policies on how the Bay Area will proceed for implementing SB 375 back to the four member agencies for actual adoption. She said the recommendation is that the Committee recommend that the Board of Directors approve the JPC Policies for the Bay Area's Implementation of SB 375. The policies deal with how regional agencies would affect and interact in the setting of GHG reduction target that ARB will be setting. The regional targets would be drafted in June 2010 by the ARB and finalized in September 2010. She said there are policies about how the District would approach modeling for transportation and land use, which is critical to the District. She discussed the opportunity for the JPC to work together to help have more efficient land use, reduce GHGs and criteria pollutants and air toxics, and the District should support Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS), the SCS should support what the District does, and collaboration among stakeholders is also essential.

Regarding the District's involvement to date, last May there was a breakout session regarding SB 375 at the Climate Summit, which was very well attended. Staff has been meeting with other regional agencies. MTC and ABAG have the lead, but the Air District has a lot to offer in terms of technical assistance to local governments. She noted that the Air District has worked with MTC staff over the years on transportation modeling and what it means for air quality modeling, said assistance with public outreach on the SCS's policy and technical tools will take place and staff will continue coordinating with CEQA work with regional air agencies.

Committee/Staff Discussion and Comments:

Chairperson Torliatt questioned if MTC has looked at all of the transportation corridors where we are trying to do the PDA and more infill development and looked at emissions coming from those transportation sources and rank them where you would look at retrofitting from an air quality standpoint. Director Ross likened this to sequencing and suggested the Air District identify an air and land use goal through sequencing, and CEQA guidelines and an Indirect Source Rule is needed first so that agencies can follow those guidelines set in place.

Mr. Droettboom noted that 80% of the Regional Transportation Plan goes to the maintenance and operation of the existing system, there is little in the plan for motor vehicle expansion which is where most GHGs are coming from. He said what is likely to happen is that CARB's increased standards will take effect for diesel trucks and emissions standards for automobiles, which will reduce emissions. He believed the District will need to pioneer significance thresholds and risk reduction plans and suggested agencies jointly need to dedicate resources for assisting with risk reduction plans.

Mr. Droettboom discussed the scientific based target for 2050 which is an 80% reduction from 1990 levels, the need for genuine partnerships with local government and regional agencies, and reviewed the SCS Work plan. He concluded by reiterating JPC climate initiatives climate

priorities which include SB 375, the Indirect Source Rule, climate-friendly parking policies, electric vehicles, solar installation/energy efficiency and climate adaptation and Climate Bay Area.

Committee/Staff Discussion and Comments:

Directors discussed the economic cost of planning, discussed potential competitive funds in FY 2010/2011, and the lack of local government resources.

Committee Action: Due to the loss of a lack of a quorum, there was consensus of Committee members to recommend Board of Directors' approval of the Joint Policy Committee policies regarding SB 375.

EPA Title V Program Evaluation

Director of Engineering, Brian Bates, provided a summary of an evaluation that EPA conducted on the District's Title V program. He discussed program goals, applicability, permitting authorities, program requirements, and said the District currently permits 91 Title V facilities. He said there were no significant issues requiring correction, the District qualified with an excellent grade, and Mr. Bateman outlined suggested improvement areas:

- Make sure applicable requirements are appropriately designated as federally enforceable, and that current versions of SIP-approved rules are referenced;
- Compliance Assurance Monitoring (CAM) plans should be a component of a complete application;
- Review businesses near refineries to see if they are "support facilities" that require Title V permits under EPA policy;
- Consider subjecting Synthetic Minor Operating Permits to EPA and public review and comment

Committee/Staff Discussion and Comments:

Directors had miscellaneous questions relating to Title V facilities and noted it was unfortunate that evaluation results could not have been presented as part of the November 18, 2009 Board of Directors meeting, which would highlight the District's excellent rating. Mr. Bateman expanded on the Title V permitting process and issues relative to the Lehigh Southwest cement facility.

Committee Member Comments/Other Business: None

Time and Place of Next Meeting: At the call of the Chair

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

/s/ Lisa Harper
Lisa Harper
Clerk of the Boards