

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING

Friday, May 21, 2020

### MINUTES

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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The Special Meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority's (VTA) Board of Directors (Board) was called to order by Chairperson Hendricks at 4:03 p.m. via video and teleconference.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Margaret Abe-Koga	Ex-Officio Member	N/A
Marie Blankley	Alternate Board Member	N/A
Pat Burt	Board Member	Present
Magdalena Carrasco	Board Member	Present
Cindy Chavez	Board Member	Present
Rich Constantine	Board Member	Present
Dev Davis	Alternate Board Member	N/A
Lisa M. Gillmor	Alternate Board Member	N/A
Glenn Hendricks	Chairperson	Present
Sergio Jimenez	Board Member	Present
Chappie Jones	Vice Chairperson	Present
Otto Lee	Alternate Board Member	N/A
Lynette Lee Eng	Alternate Board Member	N/A
Sam Liccardo	Board Member	Present
Carmen Montano	Board Member	Present
Darcy Paul	Board Member	Present
Raul Peralez	Board Member	Present
Rob Rennie	Alternate Board Member	N/A
Joe Simitian	Board Member	Present

\* Alternates do not serve unless participating as a Member.

**A quorum was present.**

#### 2. SPECIAL MEETING ITEM

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##### 2.1. General Manager/CEO Appointment - Carolyn M. Gonot

Sylvester Fadal, Chief Administrative Officer, provided an overview of the staff report and the recruitment process. Mr. Fadal briefly discussed Ms. Gonot's qualifications and background.

Board Members Chavez and Montano expressed support for the recommendation.

**Public Comment**

Roland Lebrun, Interested Citizen, opposed the recommendation.

Blair Beekman, Interested Citizen, provided comment regarding the Interim General Manager.

Chairperson Hendricks thanked the members of the Executive Search Committee, staff, consultant, and the Board Members for their effort, dedication, and commitment in the recruitment process. Chair Hendricks and Board Member Chavez thanked Evelyn Tran, General Counsel and Interim General Manager/CEO, and her team for leading VTA while the Board was searching for a General Manager/CEO.

**M/S/C (Chavez/Carrasco)** to appoint Carolyn Marie Gonot as the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) General Manager/CEO effective July 12, 2021.

Ms. Gonot thanked the Board and provided a brief comment. She indicated she looks forward to working with the VTA team.

**3. CLOSED SESSION**

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**Public Comment**

Eugene Bradley, Interested Citizen, welcomed Ms. Gonot to VTA.

**3.1. Recessed to Closed Session at 4:28 p.m.**

**A. Threat to Public Services or Facilities**  
[Government Code Section 54957(a)]

Consultation with Richard Bertalan, Chief Information Technology Officer

**3.2. Reconvened to Open Session at 5:47 p.m.**

**3.3. Closed Session Report**

Evelyn Tran, General Counsel and Interim General Manager/CEO, noted no reportable action was taken during Closed Session.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

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**On order of Chairperson Hendricks**, there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine F. Baltao, Board Secretary  
VTA Office of the Board Secretary