

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, December 16, 2021

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Special Meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority's (VTA) Board of Directors (Board) was called to order by Chairperson Hendricks at 11:01 a.m. via video and teleconference.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Margaret Abe-Koga	Ex-Officio Member	Absent
Marie Blankley	Alternate Board Member	Present
Pat Burt	Board Member	Present
Magdalena Carrasco	Board Member	Present
Cindy Chavez	Board Member	Present
Rich Constantine	Board Member	N/A
Dev Davis	Alternate Board Member	N/A
Lisa M. Gillmor	Alternate Board Member	Present
Glenn Hendricks	Chairperson	Present
Sergio Jimenez	Board Member	Present
Chappie Jones	Vice Chairperson	Present
Otto Lee	Alternate Board Member	Absent
Lynette Lee Eng	Alternate Board Member	Present
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	Absent

* Alternates do not serve unless participating as a Member.

A quorum was present.

Chairperson Hendricks reminded Members of the Public about VTA's rules relating to public comments and proper conduct during meetings.

2. SPECIAL MEETING ITEM

Board Member Peralez joined the video and teleconference meeting at 11:02 a.m.
Board Member Carrasco joined the video and teleconference meeting at 11:03 a.m.

2.1. Subsequent Resolution to Continue Remote Board and Committee Meetings

Chairperson Hendricks noted this Special meeting was held to adopt a resolution to ensure that VTA can continue holding virtual meetings under Assembly Bill (AB) 361 beyond January 2, 2022.

Public Comment

Blair Beekman, Interested Citizen, commented on the COVID-19 vaccination process.

M/S/C (Paul/Chavez) to adopt **Resolution No. 2021.12.42** authorizing the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Board of Directors and all standing, advisory, policy, oversight, steering, and inter-agency committees and subcommittees of the Board to continue to meet by remote teleconference, subject to the requirements of Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas).

RESULT:	ADOPTED – Agenda Item #2.1
MOVER:	Darcy Paul, Board Member
SECONDER:	Cindy Chavez, Board Member
AYES:	Blankley, Burt, Carrasco, Chavez, Hendricks, Jimenez, Jones, Liccardo, Montano, Paul, Peralez
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Simitian

3. CLOSED SESSION

Chairperson Hendricks inquired if there were members of the public who wish to address the Board regarding the Closed Session items.

Public Comment

Mr. Beekman commented on open public policy.

Eugene Bradley, Silicon Valley Transit Users, commended the VTA Board of Directors for having virtual meetings.

3.1. Recessed to Closed Session at 11:09 a.m.

A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
[Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)]

Significant Exposure to Litigation

Multiple Cases related to May 26, 2021, incident

B. Conference with Labor Negotiators
(Government Code Section 54957.6)

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Brandi Childress, Chief of Staff

Kathleen Kelly, Interim Chief Financial Officer

Employee Organization

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Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU), Local 265

Service Employees International Unions (SEIU) Local 521

Transportation Authority Engineers and Architects Association (TAEA) Local 21

3.2. Reconvened to Open Session at 12:27 p.m.

3.3. Closed Session Report

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4. OTHER ITEMS

4.1. Items of Concern and Referral to Administration

There were no Items of Concern and Referral to Administration.

4.2. Announcements

Chairperson Hendricks noted this was the last meeting of the year and his last meeting serving as Board Chairperson. He expressed his gratitude and wished everyone Happy Holidays.

5. ADJOURNMENT

On order of Chairperson Hendricks and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 12:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracene Y. Crenshaw, Asst. Board Secretary
VTA Office of the Board Secretary