

**AGENDA ITEM III – A
YUBA-SUTTER TRANSIT AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 18, 2024**

I. Call to Order & Roll Call (4:00 P.M.)

Present: Bains (Chair), Blaser, Buttacavoli, Flores, Fuhrer (Vice Chair), Hudson, Kirchner and Shaw
Absent:

II. Board Business

A. Nomination and Election of Board Officers 2024.

Director Buttacavoli made a motion to nominate Director Karm Bains as Chairman. Director Fuhrer seconded the motion. Following discussion, Director Shaw made a motion to nominate Director Wade Kirchner as Chairman. Director Fuhrer seconded the motion. Per legal counsel, a vote was held on the second motion first, as follows:

Roll call vote for Director Kirchner:

Yes: Blaser, Fuhrer, Hudson and Shaw

No: Buttacavoli and Flores

Abstain: Bains and Kirchner

Director Kirchner assumed the Chair from Director Bains.

Director Fuhrer made a motion to nominate Director Karm Bains as Vice-Chair. Director Flores seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

B. Statement of Economic Interest for 2024.

Executive Director Mauk noted that this is a reminder of the requirement to file yearly Form 700 by April 1st for ongoing members or alternates and within 30 days from appointment for new members or alternates. A copy of the form should be provided to Lisa O'Leary, Board Clerk, for public record requests and any related questions should be directed to her.

C. Annual Board Report

Mauk stated that the annual report is provided for information only and there were no questions from the Board.

III. Public Business from the Floor

None.

IV. Closed Session

A. Public Employee Appointment (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)

The Board adjourned to closed session at 4:08 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 4:21 p.m. Legal counsel stating there was no reportable action from the closed session.

V. Consent Calendar

Director Bains made a motion to approve the consent calendar. Director Buttacavoli seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

VI. Reports

A. Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Financial Audit Report.

Mauk reported that the full audit was provided in the board packet. It was a clean audit with no findings, comments, or corrective actions recommended. Director Flores congratulated the staff on the clean audit.

B. Project & Program Updates.

1. Caltrans Binney Junction SR70 Project Phase 2 Easements

Mauk stated that Caltrans is working the Yuba County Airport to draft a new lease agreement for our overflow parking during Phase 2 of the construction planned for September 2024 through December 2026.

The new lease will likely be under the same payment terms and Caltrans will be paying the fee directly to Yuba County. The staff is preparing a new relocation cost estimate for Caltrans associated with the Phase 2 TCE. Caltrans is working toward having the new lease agreement and draft easement agreement ready for Board review and approval at the February 15th meeting.

2. NextGen Transit Facility Project

Mauk reported that a consultant has been hired to support the development of the solicitation for environmental approval and 30% design with no expected timeline to get RFP on the street.

Yuba-Sutter Transit is also receiving bids for conducting a market value appraisal of the current facility.

3. State Transit Funding Update

Mauk reported that the Governor has released the proposed 2025 budget which preserves transit operations funding, specifically the \$5.1 billion for transit operations and capital projects appropriated in last year's budget under SB125.

The budget proposes to extend the timeline for the \$2 billion under the TIRCP program in 2025. Yuba-Sutter Transit was awarded \$13.8 million in Cycle 6 TIRCP grant funding for both the NextGen Transit Facility and zero emission bus purchases. The proposed delay is not expected to impact the construction of awarded projects.

VII. Correspondence / Information

None.

VIII. Other Business

Mauk stated that the next Board Meeting will be on February 15, 2024, and agenda items will include 2025 budget previews. Director Bains invited everyone to the ribbon cutting at The Refuge located at 1501 Butte House Rd.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:29 pm.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024 AT 4:00 PM IN THE YUBA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTICED.