



Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority

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ACE Construction Authority Board of Directors Meeting September 25, 2017 Minutes

Vice Chair Martinez called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority to order at 12:11pm at the San Gabriel City Hall Council Chambers.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Member Tim Sandoval led the pledge of allegiance.

2. **Roll Call:** Mr. Christoffels called the roll.

In attendance was:

Victoria Martinez, El Monte, Vice Chair

Jack Hadjinian, Montebello

Barbara Messina, SGVCOG

Tim Sandoval, Pomona

Hilda Solis, LA County Board of Supervisors

Staff:

Mark Christoffels, CEO

Gregory Murphy, Burke, Williams & Sorensen, legal counsel

Deanna Stanley

Amy Hanson

Charles Tsang

Phil Balmeo

Rachel Korkos

Cecilia Cardenas

Ricky Choi

Guests:

John Burton, LA County DPW

Javier Hernandez, LA County BOS SDI

Waqas Rehman LA County BOS SDI

Juan Diaz, JMD

Alex Gonzales, City of Industry

Charlie Takamoto, Jacobs

3. **Public Comments** – Judy Mooradian presented an update on her relocation efforts from the property purchased by ACE for the Durfee Avenue grade separation project. She requested staff coordinate schedules to meet at the property on October 2 to surrender the keys to the property and for ACE to take possession. Staff indicated ACE would coordinate schedules.

4. **Approval of July 24, 2017 Board meeting minutes** – A motion was made by member Sandoval and seconded by member Messina to approve the July 24, 2017 regular Board meeting minutes.

M/S/C/Sandoval/Messina/Unanimous

5. **Chairman Remarks** – Vice Chair Martinez expressed condolences to Juli Costanzo for the passing of her husband Lou Costanzo. She congratulated staff on the milestone of trains running on the San Gabriel Trench tracks.

6. **Board Member Comments** – Member Hadjinian requested clarification of SGVCOG’s selection process for Ad Hoc Committee members addressing the ACE merger. He expressed his condolences for the passing of Lou Costanzo and asked the Board to adjourn in his memory.

Member Messina also expressed her condolences to the family of Juli Costanzo.

Member Sandoval responded to member Hadjinian’s inquiry regarding his appointment to the Ad Hoc Committee. He indicated he was contacted by the SGVCOG’s Chair requesting he serve. He indicated if necessary, he would relinquish his seat.

7. **Chief Executive Officer’s Report** – Mr. Christoffels indicated staff was diligently working toward filling the funding gap to finish the ACE Program. He reported that Paul Hubler was in Sacramento monitoring the guidelines. He reported the retirement of Senior Project Manager Genichi Kanow. Lastly, Mr. Christoffels reported the City of Palo Alto was interested in information related to the construction of the San Gabriel Trench as they were entertaining the idea of building a similar project.

8. **Construction Progress Reports** – Charles Tsang, Senior Project Manager reviewed construction project photos for the Fairway Drive grade separation project that included storm drain construction. Mark Christoffels reviewed the progress photos for Fullerton Road indicating a closure at Railroad Street was necessary to adjust and relocate a 96 inch sewer line. Phil Balmeo reviewed the Puente Avenue project’s bridge deck construction and installation of siding. He also reviewed construction progress of the Temple Avenue train diversion culvert box. Mr. Christoffels reminded the board that this was the final work ACE is contractually required to perform on this project. Phil Balmeo reviewed the San Gabriel Trench progress and schedule for street closures for repaving.

9. **Approval of Task Order 1 for Pre-Science Corporation for Construction Management Services for the Durfee Avenue Grade Separation Project** – Mr. Christoffels reminded the Board that Pre-Sciences was selected for construction management for the Durfee Avenue grade separation project and services were

required to prepare for construction. He indicated task order 1 included a constructability analysis, surveying the area prior to construction to assure potential claims could be substantiated or denied and advanced coordination for utilities. He reminded the board that the project was expected to begin in March. There were no questions.

A motion was made to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the full task order 1 under the construction management services contract with PreScience Corporation for a not-to-exceed amount of \$235,979 for the Durfee Avenue grade separation project.

M/S/C/Solis/Sandoval/Unanimous

10. **Approval of Amended Work Authorization for Southern California Gas Company Transmission for the Fairway Drive Grade Separation Project** – Mr. Christoffels indicated the Southern California Gas Company has prior rights in the area of the Fairway Drive grade separation project and because of this ACE is required for the costs of utility relocation. He indicated a 30-in high pressure gas line was required to be relocated within the project and the work would be done by Southern California Gas. He indicated a prior estimate of \$1,008,478 was prepared and approved by the Board based on the design plans presented at the time, however revision to the plans and installation method resulted in a much higher estimate. He indicated an additional \$1,564,759 is needed.

A motion was made to approve an updated additional reimbursement payment to Southern California Gas in the amount of \$1,564,759 to cover ACE's portion of the total relocation costs.

M/S/C/Solis/Martinez/Unanimous

11. **Closed Session** – Mr. Murphy announced the board would adjourn to closed session in accordance with Government Code Section 54957 to discuss the performance review of the Chief Executive Officer and in accordance with Government Code Section 54956.8 to discuss conference with real property negotiators for the property address at 4754 Durfee Avenue, Pico Rivera.

The Board returned to open session and Mr. Murphy announced the board agreed to discuss the salary of the Chief Executive Officer at the October meeting; and with regard to the property at 4754 Durfee Avenue, the Board discussed a settlement of price and terms which will be made available at the ACE offices once complete.

12. **Adjournment** – The Chair reminded the Board that the next meeting would be held on October 23rd at noon. The meeting adjourned in memory of Lou Costanzo at 1:26PM.

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Deanna Stanley
Clerk of the Board