

**Summary Minutes
Marketing, Planning, and Legislative Committee
Thursday, January 6, 2022, 8:30 a.m.**

Due to COVID-19, this meeting was conducted as a teleconference pursuant to the provisions of Assembly Bill 361.

Directors: Amy Worth, Candace Andersen, Kevin Wilk
Staff: Bill Churchill, Ruby Horta, Melody Reeb, Rick Ramacier, Madeline Chun
Public: Andy Smith, Judy Barrientos

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 8:32 a.m. by Director Worth.

1. Approval of Agenda

The Committee approved the agenda.

2. Public Communication

None

3. Approval of Minutes from December 2, 2021

The Committee approved the minutes.

4. Federal Legislative Focus for 2022

Mr. Churchill introduced former General Manager Mr. Ramacier who provided some initial insights on the federal legislative program for 2022. Mr. Ramacier said that staff will be monitoring whether the annual meetings with Congress in March will be able to resume in person. He also noted that there will be a slight shift in County Connection's delegation with redistricting.

Director Wilk stressed the importance of having meetings in person in order to move things forward. Director Andersen recommended being proactive and setting up in person meetings for March but to be prepared to shift back to a virtual format. Director Worth asked whether meetings would be held locally or in Washington DC, and that MTC is not planning to have any staff or Commissioners in Washington DC. Mr. Ramacier suggested contacting MTC staff to see if there would be any coordination opportunities within the region.

5. I-680 Corridor Projects

Ms. Horta provided an update on the projects along the I-680 corridor that staff is working on in partnership with CCTA and LAVTA. A proposal has been submitted to MTC for TIRCP funds to implement an express bus service from Martinez to Dublin/Pleasanton BART that

would use hydrogen fuel cell buses, once they become available. While the future demand for commuter service is still unknown, it would provide an opportunity to test hydrogen fuel cell technology and prepare for the transition to a zero-emission fleet.

6. Community Events

Ms. Horta presented the calendar of outreach planned for January 2022.

7. Committee Comments

None

8. Future Agenda Items

None

9. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for February 3rd at 8:30 a.m. via teleconference.

10. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 a.m.

Minutes prepared and submitted by: Melody Reeb, Director of Planning, Marketing, & Innovation