AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

DATE: Thursday, January 21, 2016
3:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Board of Supervisors Chambers
481 Fourth Street, Hollister, CA 95023

DIRECTORS: Chair Jerry Muenzer, Vice Chair Tony Boch,
Anthony Botelho, Victor Gomez, and Ignacio Velazquez
Alternates: San Benito County: Jaime De La Cruz;
City of Hollister: Mickie Luna; San Juan Bautista: Jim West

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3:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER:

A. ACKNOWLEDGE Certificate of Posting
B. ELECT LTA Chairperson for 2016
C. ELECT LTA Vice Chairperson for 2016
D. PUBLIC COMMENT: (Opportunity to address the Board on items of interest not appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken unless provided by Govt. Code Sec. 54954.2. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes.)

CONSENT AGENDA:
(These matters shall be considered as a whole and without discussion unless a particular item is removed from the Consent Agenda. Members of the public who wish to speak on a Consent Agenda item must submit a Speaker Card to the Clerk and wait for recognition from the Chairperson. Approval of a consent item means approval as recommended on the Staff Report.)

1. APPROVE Local Transportation Authority Draft Meeting Minutes Dated December 17, 2015 – Gomez

2. ADOPT Resolution 2016-01 to be Eligible to Receive Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) Funds – Vienna

Adjourn to LTA Meeting on Thursday, February 18, 2016. Agenda deadline is February 9, 2016 at 12:00 p.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT:
Chair Muenzer, Vice-Chair Boch, Director Botelho, Director Gomez, and Director Velazquez

STAFF PRESENT:
Deputy County Counsel, Shirley Murphy; Executive Director, Mary Gilbert; Transportation Planner, Veronica Lezama; Secretary, Monica Gomez

CALL TO ORDER:
Chair Muenzer called the meeting to order at 4:48 p.m.

A. CERTIFICATE OF POSTING
Upon a motion duly made by Director Boch, and seconded by Director Gomez, the Directors unanimously acknowledged the Certificate of Posting. Vote: 5/0 motion passes.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA:
1. Approve Local Transportation Authority Draft Meeting Minutes Dated November 19, 2015 – Gomez
2. Receive Specialized Transportation/Jovenes de Antaño November 2015 Monthly Service Report
3. Approve Contract Amendment #3 for the Contract Between LTA and Jovenes de Antaño (JDA) dated December 16, 2010 – Vienna

There was no discussion or public comment on the Consent Agenda.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Gomez, and seconded by Director Boch, the Directors unanimously approved Items 1 - 3 from the Consent Agenda. Vote: 5/0 motion passes.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Gomez, and seconded by Director Boch, the Directors unanimously adjourned the LTA meeting at 4:49 p.m. Vote: 5/0 motion passes.

ADJOURN TO LTA MEETING JANUARY 21, 2016.
Staff Report

To: Local Transportation Authority
From: Sean Reilly Vienna, Transportation Planner
Date: January 21, 2016
Subject: Low Carbon Transit Operations Program

Recommendation:

ADOPT Resolution 2016-01 to be eligible to receive Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) funds

Summary:
The Low Carbon Transit Operations Program provides funding for transit services that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The LTA is proposing to use the funds to add additional transit services to the County Express system.

Financial Considerations:
$56,513 is earmarked for San Benito County LTA

Background:
The Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) is one of several programs that are part of the Transit, Affordable Housing, and Sustainable Communities Program established by the California Legislature in 2014 by Senate Bill 862 (SB 862). The LCTOP was created to provide operating and capital assistance for transit agencies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve mobility, with a priority on serving disadvantaged communities. Approved projects in LCTOP will support new or expanded bus or rail services, expand intermodal transit facilities, and may include equipment acquisition, fueling, maintenance and other costs to operate those services or facilities, with each project required to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Staff Analysis:
The State is requiring local agencies adopt a new resolution in order to be eligible to receive funds for LCTOP Projects. LTA Staff is pursuing funding for an “Intercounty Service Expansion” project. This project will provide more transportation options for people traveling between San Benito and Santa Clara Counties.

Executive Director Review: ___________ Counsel Review: ___Yes___

Attachment: Resolution 2016-01
WHEREAS, the San Benito County Local Transportation Authority (LTA) is an eligible project sponsor and may receive state funding from the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) now or sometime in the future for transit projects; and

WHEREAS, the statutes related to state-funded transit projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 862 (2014) named the Department of Transportation (Department) as the administrative agency for the LCTOP; and

WHEREAS, the Department has developed guidelines for the purpose of administering and distributing LCTOP funds to eligible project sponsors (local agencies); and

WHEREAS, the LTA wishes to implement the LCTOP project listed above,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the LTA that the LTA agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all LCTOP funded transit projects.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Local Transportation Authority that it hereby authorizes the submittal of the following project nomination and allocation request to the Department in FY 2015-2016 LCTOP funds:

- **Project Name:** Expanded Intercounty Services
- **Amount of LCTOP funds requested:** $56,513
- **Short Description of project:** The San Benito County LTA will increase the frequency of buses traveling from San Benito County to Gilroy (CalEPA identified Disadvantaged Community). This increase in transportation options may facilitate a decrease in single occupant vehicles from San Benito County in Gilroy.
PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE SAN BENITO COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY on this 21st day of January 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:
Mary Gilbert, Executive Director

By: ________________________________

Date: ________________________________

Tony Boch, Chair

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
San Benito County Counsel’s Office

By: Shirley L. Murphy
Shirley L. Murphy, Deputy County Counsel

Date: Jan. 14, 2016