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**CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
MASS TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
COUNCIL HEARING ROOM
995 PALM ST.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Susan Rains called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Susan Rains, Denise Martinez, Margaret Crockett, Robert Wolf, Elizabeth Thyne, Tracy Amundson, and Stanley Yucikas

Vacant: Alternate and Technical members (open)

Staff: John Webster, Dee Lawson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Audrey Hooper, City Clerk, issued the oath of office to MTC Senior representative Robert Wolf.

Mr. Webster introduced new First Transit Resident Manager Steve Aanonson.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

A. CONSENT ITEMS

A-1. Approval of March 11, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Wolf moved to approve the minutes as submitted.

Ms. Crockett seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

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B. DISCUSSION ITEMS

B-1. State, Federal and SLORTA budget funding update

Mr. Webster discussed current developments within the funding updates and noted the SLORTA budget had been approved. He reported that the City Transit system will end up with a small carryover into the next FY.

Mr. Yucikas asked staff for a funding source recap/overview report so the MTC could better understand available resources.

B-2. Bike Information Video

Mr. Yucikas had requested the MTC view a short video on the bike system in Copenhagen, noting their bike lanes were fully painted for emphasis, had curbing structures for safety and cycling efficiency. He reiterated Denmark's commitment to supporting biking instead of driving cars.

C. ACTION ITEMS

C-1. MTC By-Law Changes

Audrey Hooper discussed the alternate member position within the bylaw mandates.

Ms. Amundson moved to recommend that City Council adopt the revised bylaws as outlined.

Ms. Thyne seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

C-2. Update on Approved American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Program of Projects

Mr. Webster reviewed the projects overview and discussed ratification of the list of projects approved by the Mayor and Council.

1. **EDAPTS Replacement:** (\$405,000)
2. **Augment Existing FTA Grant:** (\$37,500)
3. **GFI Fare Box upgrade:** (\$400,000)
4. **Preventive Maintenance:** (\$150,000)
5. **Transit Facility improvements:** (\$69,660)
6. **Prop 1B – Local Funds - Bus Stop Improvements:** (up to \$26,000)

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7. Prop 1B – Local Funds – Double Deck Bus purchase augmentation: (total \$850,000 grant monies)

Mr. Yucikas moved to ratify the projects list as approved by the Mayor and Council.

Ms. Amundson seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

D. INFORMATION ITEMS

D-1. Transit Manager's report

D-2. Operating-Performance reports

Mr. Webster discussed recent legislative funding updates and presented highlight discussion on:

- **Contractor issues**
- **Contractor Liquidated Damages**
- **SRTP Update status**
- **Surplus vehicles**
- **SLORTA**
- **Transit Operators Group meeting**
- **Bus Replacement**
- **SLO Transit Fee Increase**
- **Capital Projects**
- **FTA 5317 New Freedom Grant**
- **Various SLO Transit System reports-information**

MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Yucikas noted that the automated stop announcement system was still announcing "Greyhound Terminal." Mr. Webster reported that a new voiceover tape would be done in September to include new stops and delete defunct stop information.

Ms. Thyne inquired about the status of the "no smoking" signs for the shelters; Mr. Webster reported they were on order.

Ms. Thyne also felt that bus drivers should not be allowed to text on cell phones while on duty; Mr. Webster stated that the law supported the "no text" rule and that it was a firm rule with First Transit.

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The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, July 8, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. in the Council Hearing Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Woske, Recording Secretary