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Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) February 4, 2021 Meeting Highlights

Measure D Taxpayer Oversight Committee Appointments

Measure D, which was approved by over 2/3 of Santa Cruz County voters in November 2016, includes the formation of an oversight committee. In September 2018, the RTC appointed five members to the newly-formed committee for a term of two years. The terms for the original committee members expired in September 2020. At this time, three members chose not to seek reappointment leaving three vacancies on the committee. The Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) appointed three new committee members representing Districts 1, 4 and 5 to the Measure D Taxpayer Oversight Committee, and reappointed the two current committee members representing Districts 2 and 3 to a second two-year term.

Transit Corridor Alternatives Analysis and Rail Network Integration Study – Final Draft Report and Locally Preferred Alternative

The Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) adopted a resolution accepting the <u>Transit Corridor Alternatives Analysis and Rail Network Integration Study (TCAA/RNIS)</u> which selects electric passenger rail as the locally preferred alternative. The Transit Corridor Alternatives Analysis used a triple bottom line framework for evaluating high-capacity transit investment options that provide an integrated transit network for Santa Cruz County utilizing all or part of the length of the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line as a dedicated transit facility. The next step will be for RTC staff to develop a Business Plan with a horizon year of 2045 for the locally preferred alternative. The Business Plan will outline the funding and implementation strategy including a cash-flow analysis of environmental clearance, right-of-way, design, construction, operations, and maintenance. The Business Plan will be presented to the RTC for acceptance at the April 1, 2021 meeting.

Upcoming RTC and Committee Meetings

Due to precautions associated with COVID-19 (coronavirus), <u>all RTC and committee meetings</u> will be held by teleconference only until further notice. Please check the RTC website [https://sccrtc.org/meetings/calendar/] or call 460-3200 to confirm meeting and teleconference information. Agendas are posted to the website at least 3 days before the meeting. Meetings may be canceled if there are no action items to be considered by the committee.

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document, webpage, meeting, or recording is inaccessible to you, kindly notify us at info@sccrtc.org or by calling 831-460-3200.

Regional Transportation Commission

Thursday, March 4, 2021, 9:00 a.m.

Bicycle Advisory Committee Special Meeting

Monday, February 8, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee

Tuesday, February 9, 2021, 1:30 p.m.

Interagency Technical Advisory Committee

Thursday, February 18, 2021, 1:30 p.m.

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