

SANTA CRUZ METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT (METRO) FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE AGENDA REGULAR MEETING JUNE 12, 2017 – 9:00 AM METRO ADMIN OFFICES 110 VERNON STREET SANTA CRUZ, CA 95060

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MEETING TIME: 9:00AM

NOTE: THE COMMITTEE CHAIR MAY TAKE ITEMS OUT OF ORDER

- 1 CALL TO ORDER
- 2 ROLL CALL

3 COMMUNICATIONS TO THE FINANCE, BUDGET & AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE

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4 ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS FROM AGENDA / ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION TO SUPPORT EXISTING AGENDA ITEMS

- 5 ACCEPT AND FILE MINUTES OF THE MAY 8, 2017 FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES
- 6 DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF STRATEGIC CHANGES TO THE FY18 & FY19 OPERATING BUDGET AND FY18 CAPITAL BUDGET SINCE THE MAY 8, 2017 MEETING:
 - A. New Strategy for the Transfers to Capital Budget
 - B. 5 Year Budget Plan
 - i. Add Bus Operators Contingent Upon Receipt of Signed Commitment from UCSC
 - C. Operating Reserves as of 6/30/17 (Estimate)
 - D. Transfers to Reserves 5 Year Projections
 - E. Estimated Operating Reserves as of 6/30/22

7 ADJOURNMENT

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COMMITTEE ROSTER

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Julie Sherman

METRO District Counsel

MEETING TIME: 9:00AM

NOTE: THE COMMITTEE CHAIR MAY TAKE ITEMS OUT OF ORDER

In the absence of Committee Chair Leopold, Director Mathews was nominated and unanimously approved as Acting Committee Chair for today's meeting.

1 CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 9:06AM by Acting Committee Chair Mathews.

2 **ROLL CALL:** The following Directors were **present**, representing a quorum:

Director Cynthia MathewsCity of Santa CruzDirector Donna LindCity of Scotts ValleyDirector Oscar RiosCity of Watsonville

Director Leopold was not present.

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METRO EMPLOYEES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO VOLUNTARILY INDICATED THEY WERE PRESENT (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER) WERE:

Angela Aitken, METRO Debbie Kinslow, METRO Kristina Mihaylova, METRO

- 3 **COMMUNICATIONS TO THE FINANCE, BUDGET & AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE** Hearing none, the Acting Committee Chair moved to the next agenda item.
- 4 ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS FROM AGENDA / ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION TO SUPPORT EXISTING AGENDA ITEMS Hearing none, the Acting Committee Chair moved to the next agenda item.
- 5 ACCEPT AND FILE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 3, 2017 FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

ACTION: MOTION TO ACCEPT AND FILE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 3, 2017 FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE AS PRESENTED.

MOTION: Director Lind SECOND: Director Mathews

ABSTAIN: Director Rios

MOTION CARRIED.

- 6 DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF FY18 & FY19 OPERATING BUDGET AND FY18 CAPITAL BUDGET:
 - A. 5-Year Budget Plan
 - B. FY18 & FY19 Operating Budget Revenue Sources
 - C. Budget Assumptions Revenue Sources
 - D. FY18 & FY19 Operating Budget Consolidated Expenses
 - E. Budget Assumptions Operating Expenses
 - F. Authorized and Funded Personnel : FY18 & FY19
 - G. FY17 PRELIMINARY Schedule of Reserve Account Balances Unaudited as of 05/08/2017
 - H. FY18 Capital Budget
 - I. Unfunded Capital Projects
 - J. Common Industry Acronyms

Finance Manager, Angela Aitken, outlined the documents to be discussed. At today's meeting, staff is seeking Committee approval of the budget assumptions and recommendation to present to the full board at the May 19, 2017 meeting with the FY18 and FY19 budget. She noted that, due to its successful passage, SB1 funding is now included in

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the budget assumptions, although there remains some risk that the measure could be overturned in the future.

Acting Committee Chair Mathews asked why passenger fares were level across 5 years.

Ms. Aitken explained the rationale for the assumption.

Director Lind asked if METRO was considering fare increases.

Ms. Aitken reminded the Committee that CEO Clifford had advised the board members at the April Board meeting that FY17 would be a 'lull' year. She said METRO will begin looking at fare increases in FY18 but at this time can't say when that will occur. In 2012, METRO implemented an agency-wide fare increase. In 2015, Highway 17 fares were increased and the ParaCruz fares were adjusted.

Director Lind verbally shared PERS funding information recently presented to the Scotts Valley City Council by an outside consultant.

Director Rios asked Ms. Aitken why the workers' compensation reserves were down. She answered that the balance is approximately \$1M short and has been historically underfunded. The Board adopted minimum or target level, based on an analysis provided every two years.

Acting Committee Chair Mathews inquired regarding METRO's level of workers' comp claims.

Ms. Aitken responded that claims are down but there are a few long term claims. New workers' comp claims have not been extreme or large. METRO has taken a proactive approach by initiating a relatively new ergonomic policy and we have a great operator training program, which included union involvement when the larger buses were added to the fleet 12 – 15 years ago. These efforts have led to fewer and less expensive claims.

Director Mathews requested the information presented on page 6H.1 be provided in a larger format at the May 19, 2017 board meeting.

Director Rios voiced his appreciation for the presentation. He realizes there are many factors, which influence these decisions. Based on what he has learned so far, he concurs with the assumptions.

ACTION: MOTION TO CONCUR WITH THE ASSUMPTIONS PRESENTED AND PROVIDE THE INFORMATION TO THE FULL BOARD AT THE MAY 19, 2017 BOARD MEETING.

MOTION: Director Lind

SECOND: Director Rios

MOTION CARRIED.

Acting Committee Chair Mathews adjourned the meeting at 10:38AM

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New Strategy for the Transfers to Capital **Budget: Overview**



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	BUDGET	BUDGET		FORECASTED BUDGET		FORECASTED BUDGET		FORECASTED BUDGET	
REVENUE:	FY18	FY19	% VAR	FY20	% VAR	FY21	% VAR	FY22	% VAR
Passender Fares	10.459.429	10.459.429	0.0%	10.459.429	0.0%	10.459.429	0.0%	10.459.429	0.0%
Passender Fares	2.791.893	2.791.893	0.0%	2.791.893	0.0%	2.791.893	0.0%	2.791.893	0.0%
Special Transit Fares	5,044,644	5,044,644	0.0%	5,044,644	0.0%	5,044,644	0.0%	5,044,644	0.0%
Paratransit Fares	339, 141	339, 141	0.0%	339, 141	0.0%	339,141	0.0%	339, 141	0.0%
Highway 17 Fares	1,758,751	1,758,751	0.0%	1,758,751	0.0%	1,758,751	0.0%	1,758,751	0.0%
Highway 17 Payments	525,000	525,000	0.0%	525,000	0.0%	525,000	0.0%	525,000	0.0%
Other Revenue	501,393	505,736	0.9%	510,029	0.8%	514,789	0.9%	519,048	0.8%
1979 Gross Sales Tax (1/2 cent)	20,061,806	20,563,351	2.5%	21,077,435	2.5%	21,604,371	2.5%	22,144,480	2.5%
2016 Net Sales Tax (Measure D)	2,978,897	3,053,369	2.5%	3,129,704	2.5%	3,207,946	2.5%	3,288,145	2.5%
Transp Dev Act (TDA) - Op Asst	6,767,933	6,937,131	2.5%	7,110,560	2.5%	7,288,324	2.5%	7,470,532	2.5%
*Federal Op Assistance	4,302,285	4,396,666	2.2%	4,493,117	2.2%	4,717,773	5.0%	4,820,737	2.2%
STA - Operating (includes SB1)	3,380,240	3,901,906	15.4%	3,901,906	0.0%	3,901,906	0.0%	3,901,906	0.0%
STA - Operating (includes SB1) (Transfer to Capital Budget)	(2,263,000)	(2,263,000)	0.0%	(2,263,000)	0.0%	(2,263,000)	0.0%	(2,263,000)	0.0%
STIC - Op Assistance	2,210,167	2,220,000	0.4%	2,520,687	13.5%	2,646,721	5.0%	2,704,684	2.2%
STIC (Transfer to Capital Budget)			0.0%		0.0%		0.0%		0.0%
Fuel Tax Credit	657,354	677,075	3.0%	697,387	3.0%	718,309	3.0%	739,858	3.0%
Fuel Tax Credit (Transfer to Reserves)	(657,354)	(677,075)	3.0%	(697,387)	3.0%	(718,309)	3.0%	(739,858)	3.0%
Transfers (to)/ from Operating Reserves	(507,685)	(915,130)	80.3%	(9,431)	-99.0%	(37,797)	300.8%	18,886	-150.0%
TOTAL REVENUE	47,891,465	48,859,459	2.0%	50,930,435	4.2%	52,040,462	2.2%	53,064,846	2.0%
OPERATING EXPENSES:									
Labor and Fringe Benefits: Bus Operators	16,900,284	17,484,885	3.5%	18,265,045	4.5%	18,642,970	2.1%	19,087,108	2.4%
Labor and Fringe Benefits: Paratransit	4,137,880	4,284,021	3.5%	4,490,933	4.8%	4,602,061	2.5%	4,712,643	2.4%
Labor and Fringe Benefits: Other	18,185,813	18,833,777	3.6%	19,469,682	3.4%	19,964,655	2.5%	20,434,320	2.4%
Services Mohile and Other Materials and Sumplies	3,543,479 3 304 070	3,085,840 3 303 970	-12.9% 0.0%	3,533,840 3,303,970	14.5% 0.0%	3,659,840 3,303,970	3.6% 0.0%	3,659,840 3,303,970	0.0% 0.0%
	609,000	609,000	0.0%	609,000	0.0%	609,000	0.0%	609,000	0.0%
Casualty & Liability and Taxes	718,036	760,163	5.9%	760,163	0.0%	760,163	0.0%	760,163	0.0%
Purchased Transportation Misc. Expense and Leases & Rentals	- 492,902	- 497,802	0.0% 1.0%	- 497,802	0.0%	- 497,802	0.0%	- 497,802	0.0% 0.0%
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	47,891,465	48,859,459	2.0%	50,930,435	4.2%	52,040,462	2.2%	53,064,846	2.0%
(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	507,685	915,130		9,431		37,797		(18,886)	
Operations Sustainability Reserve Fund: \$5,357,927									
(Balance as of 06/12/17)	5,792,757	6,707,887		6,717,319		6,755,115		6,736,230	

SANTA CRUZ METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT - 5 - YEAR BUDGET PLAN

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Attachment B

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Attachment C

FY17 Preliminary Reserve Account Balances as of 06/12/2017 (in \$ millions)



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Attachment D



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Attachment E

Estimated Reserve Account Balances – Fully Funded as of 06/30/2022 (in \$ millions)

