

**MINUTES
OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CLAYTON CITY COUNCIL**

January 31, 2010

1. **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL** - The special meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice Mayor Geller at the Contra Costa Transportation Authority's (CCTA) Board Room, Suite 100, 2999 Oak Road, Walnut Creek, CA. Council Members present: Vice Mayor Geller, Council Members Medrano, Pierce, and Stratford. Council Members absent: Mayor Shuey. Staff present: City Manager Gary Napper and Community Development Director David Woltering.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None.
3. **PRESENTATION**
 - (a) Overview of SB 375

TRANSPAC Chairperson Cindy Silva (City of Walnut Creek) introduced the subject matter for the meeting and allowed self-introductions by the CCTA Board and members of various regional agency staff. CCTA Deputy Executive Director – Planning, Martin Engelmann provided an overview on the basic requirements of the SB 375 state legislation which requires the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to develop a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) for inclusion in the 2013 Regional Transportation Plan. Doug Kimsey, Director of Planning for MTC, provided further comments concerning the implementation and discussion of the SCS "Vision Scenario" and its relationship to the reduction of Green House Gas (GHG) emissions. The creation of a SCS document will necessitate local government involvement, participation and acceptance. A video and PowerPoint presentation accompanied the overview.
 - (b) Implementing and Responding to SB 375 at the Local Level

Mr. Englemann presented a summary of current efforts to develop the Contra Costa portion of the SCS for the Bay Area, including use of the information developed through Contra Costa's earlier "Shaping Our Future" process that gives our area an advance footprint on ways to address the requirements of SB 375. Discussion also included the roles and responsibilities for local public officials, how SB 375 affects the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA), development of Priority Development Areas (PDA) and expected challenges. The Director of Planning for ABAG, Ken Kirkey, also provided comments and replies to questions concerning the implementation process.
 - (c) Engagement Strategy for SB 375

CCTA Representative Julie Pierce (City of Clayton) provided comments and perspectives regarding how members of the public, local jurisdictions and CCTA can work most effectively with MTC and ABAG on the joint development of the SCS. Ms. Pierce noted a draft SCS vision should be released by March 2011 and she emphasized it is only a "Draft" but critique and local input must start by offering some meaningful template to engage the process.

(d) Question and Answer Period

A brief question and answer period ensued between public members and local government officials in attendance. CCTA Representative David Durant (City of Pleasant Hill) noted the SCS ought to not only concentrate on strategic housing locations to reduce GHG emissions but also the economic side of the strategic equation, namely the creation of jobs centers as well to reduce work commutes.

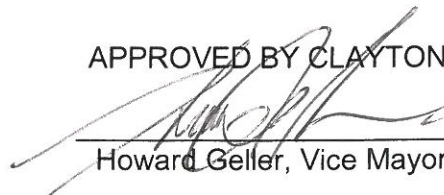
No action was taken by the Clayton City Council. Information study session only.

4. **ADJOURNMENT** – on call by Vice Mayor Geller the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Laci J. Jackson, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CLAYTON CITY COUNCIL


Howard Geller, Vice Mayor