

STATE ROUTE 4 BYPASS AUTHORITY
Antioch - Brentwood - Oakley and Contra Costa County

A JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGENCY

MINUTES
May 8, 2003

The STATE ROUTE 4 BYPASS AUTHORITY meeting was called to order in the Brentwood City Council Chambers at 734 Third Street, Brentwood, California by Chair Donald Freitas at 9:16 P.M.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Annette Beckstrand (Brentwood), Federal Glover (Contra Costa County), Brad Nix (Oakley), and Chair Donald Freitas (Antioch)

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Lowell Tunison, Transportation Engineering, Contra Costa County Public Works Department (Ret.)
Dale Dennis, Project Manager
Maurice Shiu, Contra Costa County Public Works Director

Lowell Tunison, who had retired at the end of March, took this opportunity to introduce new staff, Project Manager Dale Dennis to the State Route 4 Bypass Authority. Mr. Dennis was warmly welcomed by Authority members.

DETERMINATION ITEMS

A. APPROVE Minutes of April 10, 2003 Meeting

On motion by Brad Nix, seconded by Federal Glover, members of the Authority APPROVED the minutes of the April 10, 2003 meeting, as submitted, with Annette Beckstrand's abstention.

B. APPROVE Agreement for Maintenance and Electrical Facility Cost Sharing of the State Route 4 Bypass Between the Authority and the City of Brentwood and AUTHORIZE the Secretary or his Designee to Execute it

Mr. Dennis identified an agreement between the City of Brentwood and the Authority wherein the City would provide the maintenance of SR4 Bypass roadways and signals. The total agreement was not to exceed \$85,000. The services would be performed on an as needed basis pursuant to the matrix included as Exhibit B to the staff report dated May 8, 2003. The matrix identified the type of work that was to be accomplished.

Donald Freitas reiterated a number of concerns that he had expressed at the last meeting, specifically related to item 5A where the actual cost of routine maintenance had been referenced but not defined, particularly related to overhead. For Item 7B where maintenance services were to be provided by others, there was no definition of what those others would be. While he had no problem with the agreement, he emphasized the need for a clarification and an identification of the costs involved.

Mr. Tunison stated that there was to have been an exhibit attached to the staff report although that had not been included.

Mr. Freitas requested that the item be continued pending the submittal of the requested information.

By consensus, the item was continued to the next meeting to provide the information as requested.

- C. APPROVE a Consulting Services Agreement Amendment with Sugimura and Associates to Increase the Payment Limit by \$7,500 to Allow Them to Continue to Provide On-call Services for the Segment 2 Landscaping Project, and AUTHORIZE the Secretary or his Designee to Execute it on Behalf of the Authority

On motion by Federal Glover, seconded by Brad Nix, members of the Authority unanimously APPROVED a Consulting Services Agreement Amendment with Sugimura and Associates to increase the payment limit by \$7,500 to allow them to continue to provide on-call services for the Segment 2 Landscaping Project, and AUTHORIZED the Secretary or his designee to execute it on behalf of the Authority.

- D. APPROVE a Consulting Services Agreement Amendment with Dale O. Dennis to Increase the Payment Limit by \$16,720 to Allow him to Continue to Act as Project Manager Through the Middle of June, and AUTHORIZE the Secretary or his Designee to Execute it on Behalf of the Authority, and AUTHORIZE Dale O. Dennis as a New Designee for Secretary of the Authority Through the Term of his Contract

On motion by Federal Glover, seconded by Brad Nix, members of the Authority unanimously APPROVED a Consulting Services Agreement Amendment with Dale Dennis to increase the payment limit by \$16,720 to allow him to continue to act as Project Manager through the middle of June; AUTHORIZED the Secretary or his designee to execute it on behalf of the Authority, and AUTHORIZED Dale Dennis as a new designee for Secretary of the Authority through the term of his contract.

- E. APPROVE Contract Change Order No. 38 (Balancing Change Order) with a Decrease of \$96,663.82 and Contract Change Order No. 39 in the Estimated Amount of \$52,510 for the Segment 2 Project, and AUTHORIZE the Secretary or his Designee to Execute them

On motion by Federal Glover, seconded by Brad Nix, members of the Authority unanimously APPROVED Contract Change Order No. 38 (balancing change order) with a decrease of \$96,663.82 and Contract Change Order No. 39 in the estimated amount of \$52,510 for the Segment 2 Project, and AUTHORIZED the Secretary or his designee to execute them.

MEMBER REPORTS

Brad Nix referred to the minutes of the last meeting with respect to the request to rename the State Route 4 Bypass to the John Marsh Parkway. He reminded the Board that he had made suggestions to resolve the issues related to that request. He requested a status of that situation.

Mr. Tunison explained that everyone had responded, as required, with the exception of the County Transportation and Water Infrastructure Committee, which had to verify whether or not there was an issue.

Given his understanding that the County had no concern, Mr. Nix requested that the item be agendized for Board action at the next meeting.

County Public Works Director Maurice Shiu spoke to Senate Bill 802 and the efforts through Senator Tom Torlakson to add Vasco Road to the Bill in response to a request by Donald Freitas.

Further, Mr. Shiu explained that part of the County's Legislative program was to highlight the importance of the Byron Highway and one way to do that was to keep introducing legislation. He advised that Senator Torlakson had agreed to introduce legislation to designate the Byron Highway as State Route 239, and to make it a regional route. That legislation had passed the Senate Transportation Committee and was now in the Appropriations Committee. He emphasized the need for East County to support that legislation. To that end, he requested that Authority members seek support from his/her own City for SB 802.

Mr. Shiu also described the expectation that the Vasco Road Safety Improvement Project would have received funding allowing the County to focus on the Byron Highway.

Given the State Budget crises, that funding had not been forthcoming. Mr. Shiu reported that he had therefore asked Senator Torlakson to consider adding Vasco Road to SB 802, and to include the remaining segment of State Route 84 to Brentwood as a regional route. Unanimous support from East Contra Costa County and Alameda County would be required before Senator Torlakson would amend the Bill. He urged Members to present the issue to his/her respective City to obtain that support.

Chair Freitas recommended that the item be placed on the agenda as an urgency item to allow the Authority Board to consider it at this time.

On motion by Brad Nix, seconded by Federal Glover, members of the Authority unanimously placed the request to support Senate Bill 802 with the inclusion of State Route 84 and State Route 239 on the meeting agenda as an urgency item that had arisen after the posting of the meeting agenda.

On motion by Federal Glover, seconded by Brad Nix, members of the Authority unanimously requested all jurisdictions, including the City of Pittsburg, to offer an affirmative opinion on the inclusion of State Route 84 and State Route 239 to Senate Bill 802, and directed staff to prepare a resolution to that effect.

Mr. Shiu advised that a draft resolution would be prepared as requested.

As the Chair of the State Route 4 Bypass Authority, Chair Freitas reported that he had received correspondence from New Beginnings Christian Church, Lighthouse Baptist Church, the Church of Latter Day Saints, as well as from M/M Stewart, M/M Walker, and MM Buchard asking and suggesting that Alternative 3 be the Preferred Alignment for the State Route 4 Bypass/Jeffrey Way Intersection. It was requested that the SR4 Bypass Authority accept and communicate that position to Caltrans. He added that the letters would be forwarded to Caltrans.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence other than that which had been included in the meeting packet.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public comment.

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ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the State Route 4 Bypass Authority, Chair Freitas adjourned the meeting at 9:29 P.M. to the meeting on June 12, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita L. Tucci-Smith
Minutes Clerk