CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL
RESOLUTION #HSRA 22-09

Adoption of the Final 2022 Business Plan

Whereas, the California-High Speed Rail Authority is required to prepare, adopt and submit to the Legislature an updated Business Plan by May 1, 2020, and every two years thereafter;

Whereas, the Authority released a Draft 2022 Business Plan for public comment on February 8, 2022, which allowed the mandatory 60-day public review and comment period before Board adoption;

Whereas, the Draft 2022 Business Plan was presented to the Board and public at the February 17, 2022 and March 17, 2022, Board meetings, providing a public forum for discussion of the Plan by the Board, staff and public, consistent with legal requirements for a public hearing and comments featured in Public Utilities Code Section 185033;

Whereas, the Legislature held hearings to ask questions and provide comments on the Draft 2022 Business Plan to the Authority at an Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3 on Climate Crisis, Resources, Energy, and Transportation hearing on February 23, 2022, and a Joint Senate Transportation Committee and Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Subcommittee hearing on March 8, 2022;

Whereas, the Authority received, reviewed and considered comments on the Draft 2022 Business Plan from the Legislature and a broad range of agencies, stakeholders and other interested parties;

Whereas, as a result of public comments and Board direction, Authority staff has recommended proposed changes to the Revised Draft 2022 Business Plan provided to the Board for its consideration;

Whereas, in addition, Authority staff has recommended a separate set of proposed changes to the Revised Draft 2022 Business Plan that would be incorporated if the Board approves Resolution #HSRA-22-10; Resolution #HSRA-22-11 and Resolution #HSRA-22-12, certifying the completeness and adequacy of the San Jose to Merced Section Final EIR/EIS for compliance with CEQA, approving the San Jose to Merced Preferred Alternative, adopting the CEQA Findings of Fact, Statement of Overriding Considerations, and MMEP, and directing staff to file a CEQA Notice of Determination with the State Clearinghouse, and directing the Authority Chief Executive Officer to issue the Record of Decision for San Jose to Merced, identifying Alternative 4 as the Selected Alternative under the Authority’s NEPA Assignment responsibilities, all scheduled for Board consideration on April 28, 2022;

Whereas, because the April meeting of the Authority Board of Directors was rescheduled to April 27 and 28, the final 2022 Business Plan will be submitted to the Legislature on or before May 6, 2022 instead of May 1, 2022; and

Whereas, the Board has reviewed the public comments as well as the changes recommended by staff to the Revised Draft 2022 Business Plan in response to those comments.
Therefore, it is resolved:

The Board adopts the 2022 Business Plan, incorporating the edits from the Errata and Update table and the relevant changes identified in the Staff-Recommended Edits table responding to public comments. The Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to make further non-policy revisions to the Business Plan as necessary and to submit the Business Plan to the Legislature on or before May 6, 2022.

Vote: Richards; Miller; Pena; William; Camacho; Perea; Ghielmetti
Yes: 6
No: 1
Absent: Schenk; Escutia
Date: April 28, 2022