



CALIFORNIA High-Speed Rail Authority

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Board Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2025

Webcast

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The meeting of the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) Board convened on May 1, 2025, at the California High Speed Rail Authority in Fresno, CA and by Zoom. The minutes were prepared in the order items were presented during the meeting.

Members Present:

- Mr. Tom Richards, Chair
- Ms. Nancy Miller, Vice Chair
- Ms. Lynn Schenk
- Mr. Henry Perea
- Mr. James Ghielmetti
- Ms. Martha Escutia
- Ms. Emily Cohen
- Mr. Ernest Camacho

Members Absent:

- Mr. Anthony Williams
- The Honorable Dr. Joaquin Arambula, Ex Officio Member
- The Honorable Lena Gonzalez, Ex Officio Member

Public Comment

An opportunity for public comment was provided.

Discussion regarding public comment can be found on pages 5-11 of the May 1, 2025, transcript.

Agenda Item #1 – Consider Approving the March 6, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve The May 1, 2025, was moved for approval by Director Ghielmetti, seconded by Director Schenk and approved (7-0)

Questions and comments made during agenda item #1 can be found on page 11-12 of the May 1, 2025, transcript.

Agenda Item #2 – Central Valley Stations: Approval to Begin NTP2 Work and for the CEO to Execute the Contract Amendment

Motion to approve Central Valley Stations resolution #HSRA 25-03 was moved for approval by Director Perea, seconded by Vice Chair Miller and approved (7-0)

Questions and comments made during agenda item #2 can be found on page 12-31 of the May 1, 2025, transcript.

Agenda Item #3 – Fresno Station Early Works Construction Contract: Approval to Solicit Bids for Construction and for the CEO to Award and Execute the Resulting Contract

Motion to approve Fresno Station Early Works Construction Contract resolution #HSRA 25-04 was moved for approval by Director Escutia, seconded by Director Schenk and approved (7-0)

Questions and comments made during agenda item #3 can be found on page 31-41 of the May 1, 2025, transcript.

Agenda Item #4 CEO Report

Chief Executive Officer for the Authority, Ian Choudri, provided a program update and introduction of new staff members to the Board.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #4 can be found on page 41-65 of the May 1, 2025, transcript.

Agenda Item #5 Finance and Audit Committee Report Out

Board Chair Tom Richards provided a report out on action from the Finance and Audit report held at 8:15 a.m. on May 1, 2025.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #5 can be found on page 65-67 of the May 1, 2025, transcript.

Agenda Item #6 Board Member Comments

Comments made by the Board members can be found on page 67 of the May 1, 2025, transcript.

Meeting Adjourned

Chair Richards announced at 10:24 am that the Board was adjourned on page 67.