



# CALIFORNIA High-Speed Rail Authority

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### Board meeting minutes

June 29, 2023

#### Webcast

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The meeting of the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) Board convened on June 29, 2023, at the Department of Food and Agriculture Auditorium 1220 N Street, Sacramento, CA. The minutes were prepared in the order items were presented during the meeting.

#### Members Present:

- Mr. Tom Richards, Chair
- Ms. Nancy Miller, Vice-Chair
- Mr. Henry Perea
- Ms. Lynn Schenk
- Ms. Ernest Camacho
- Mr. Anthony Williams
- Ms. Emily Cohen
- The Honorable Dr. Joaquin Arambula, Ex Officio Member

#### Members Absent:

- The Honorable Lena Gonzalez, Ex Officio Member
- Ms. Martha Escutia
- Mr. James Ghielmetti

#### **Public Comment**

An opportunity for public comment was provided.

Public comment can be found on pages 6-16 of the June 29, 2023, transcripts.

#### **Agenda Item #1 – Consider Approving the May 11, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes**

The May 11, 2023, meeting minutes were moved for approval by Director Camacho, seconded by Director Williams, and approved (7-0).

Questions and comments made during agenda item #1 can be found on pages 19-20 of the June 29, 2023, transcripts.

**Agenda Item #2 – Consider Accepting the Proposed Amendments to the Authority’s Organizational Conflict of Interest Policy**

Chief Counsel for the Authority, Alicia Fowler and Attorney IV for the Authority, Tom Fellenz, provided a presentation to the Board. The motion to Accept the Proposed Amendments to the Authority’s Organizational Conflict of Interest Policy was moved for approval by Director Camacho, seconded by Director Schenk, and approved (7-0).

Questions and comments made during agenda item #2 can be found on pages 21-34 of the June 29, 2023, transcripts.

**Agenda Item #3 – Independent Peer Review – Audit Office**

Chief Auditor for the Authority, Paula Rivera, provided a presentation to the Board.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #3 can be found on pages 34-39 of the June 29, 2023, transcripts.

**Agenda Item #4 – Consider Approving the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Internal Audit Plan**

Chief Auditor for the Authority, Paula Rivera, provided a presentation to the Board on the Fiscal year 2023/2024 Internal Audit Plan. The motion to approve Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Internal Audit Plan was moved for approval by Director Miller, seconded by Director Williams, and approved (7-0).

Questions and comments made during agenda item #4 can be found on pages 39-43 of the June 29, 2023, transcripts.

**Agenda Item #5 – Train Interior Design Briefing**

Chief of Strategic Communications for the Authority, Melissa Figueroa and Chief of Rail and Operations Delivery for the Authority, Bruce Armistead, provided a presentation to the Board.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #5 can be found on pages 44-64 of the June 29, 2023, transcripts.

**Agenda Item #6 – Southern California Update**

Southern California Regional Director for the Authority, LaDonna DiCamillo and Metro Executive Officer, Scott McConnell, provided presentation to the Board.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #6 can be found on pages 64-95 of the June 29, 2023, transcripts.

**Agenda Item #7– CEO Report**

Chief Executive Officer for the Authority, Brian Kelly, provided a CEO update presentation to the Board.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #7 can be found on pages 95-103 of the June 29, 2023, transcripts.

**Agenda Item #8 – Finance and Audit Committee Report**

Questions and comments made during agenda item #8 can be found on pages 103-105 of the June 29, 2023, transcripts.

**Agenda Item #8 – Confidential Closed Session**

Chair Richards announced at 12:23 p.m. that the Board would enter into closed session.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Chair Richards announced at 1:05 p.m. that the Board would adjourn.