

California High-Speed Rail Authority Board meeting minutes September 26, 2024

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The meeting of the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) Board convened on September 26, 2024, at the Department of Food and Agricultural auditorium in Sacramento, CA and by Zoom. The minutes were prepared in the order items were presented during the meeting.

Members Present:

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

Members Absent:

- Ms. Nancy Miller, Vice Chair
- Ms. Martha Escutia
- The Honorable Lena Gonzalez, Ex Officio Member

Agenda Item #1 – Consider Approving the September 26, Board Meeting Minutes

The June 26 - 27 2024, meeting minutes were moved by Director Ghielmetti and seconded by Director Perea and approved (7-0).

Questions and comments made during agenda item #1 can be found on page 16 of the September 26, 2024, transcripts.

Agenda Item #2 – Northern California Regional Update

The Authority's Northern California Regional Director provided the board with an update on progress and outreach on high-speed rail in the Bay Area, Caltrain electrification, and the recent settlements of litigation in the region.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #2 can be found on page 33 of the September 26, 2024, transcript.

Agenda Item #3 Sustainability Report

The Authority's Chief of Planning and Sustainability Margaret Cederoth provided a presentation on the Authority's annual Sustainability Report, which covered the previous calendar year and the work which the Authority is doing to ensure the project meets the states climate goals.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #3 can be found on page 41-45 of the September 26, 2024, transcript

Agenda Item #5 Finance and Audit Update

Board Chair Tom Richards provided a report out on action from the Finance and Audit report held at 8:30 a.m. on September 26, 2024.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #5 can be found on page 48-51 of the September 26, 2024, transcript.

Agenda Item #7 Confidential Closed Session

Board Chair Richards announced that the Board would enter into closed at 10:34 a.m. on page 51. Board Chair Richards returned at 11:28 a.m. and reported that closed session was finished and there was nothing to report to the public on page 52.

Meeting Adjourned

Chair Richards announced at 11:28 a.m. that the Board was adjourned on page 52.