

# California High-Speed Rail Authority Board meeting minutes November 7, 2024

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The meeting of the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) Board convened on November 7, 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. Nancy Miller, Vice Chair
- Ms. Lynn Schenk
- Mr. Ernest Camacho
- Mr. Henry Perea
- Mr. Anthony Williams
- Ms. Emily Cohen
- Mr James Ghielmetti
- Ms. Martha Escutia

#### Members Absent:

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

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

The September 26, meeting minutes were approved (9-0).

Questions and comments made during agenda item #1 can be found on page 6 of the November 7, 2024, transcript.

#### Agenda Item #2 – Election of Board Chair and Vice Chair

Motion to elect Chair Richards as the Chair of the California High-Speed Rail Authority Board of Directors was moved for approval by Director Schenk, seconded by Director Ghielmetti and approved (9-0)

Motion to elect Vice Chair Miller as Vice Chair of the California High-Speed Rail Authority Board of Directors was moved for approval by Director Camacho seconded by Director

Williams and approved (9-0)

Questions and comments made during agenda item #2 can be found on page 7-11 of the November 7, 2024, transcript.

## **Public Comment**

An opportunity for public comment was provided.

Public comment can be found on pages 12-15 of the November 7, 2024, transcript.

# Agenda Item #3 Project Update

The Authority's Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Daniel Horgan, provided a Central Valley update. Chief Advising Officer Dennis Kim provided a Right-of Way and Third-Party update. Director of Risk Management and Project Controls, Jamey Matalka, provided a Risk Management and Project Controls update and Acting Chief of Strategic Communication Toni Tinoco provided a Strategic Communications update presentation on the recent and upcoming events for the Authority.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #3 can be found on page 16-43 of the November 7, 2024, transcript.

### Agenda Item #4 CEO Report

Chief Executive Officer for the Authority, Ian Choudri, provided a program update to the Board.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #4 can be found on pages 43-48 of the November 7, 2024, transcript.

# Agenda Item #5 Finance and Audit Committee Report

Board Chair Tom Richards provided a report out from the Finance and Audit Committee meeting held at 8:30 a.m. on November 7, 2024.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #5 can be found on page 48-50 of the November 7, 2024, transcript.

# Agenda Item #6 Board Member Comments

Comments made by the Board members can be found on pages 50-51 of the November 7,2024, transcript.

#### Meeting Adjourned

Chair Richards announced at 10:31 a.m. that the Board was adjourned on page 52.