Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) September 6, 2018 Meeting Highlights

State Legislative and Funding Updates
The Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) received an update on state legislation and transportation funding from State Senator William Monning. The RTC voted unanimously to adopt an “oppose” position on Proposition 6, which would eliminate funding for local road repairs, bus, highway, and bicycle projects.

Santa Cruz County Measure D Taxpayer Oversight Committee
The RTC appointed Janet Edwards, Michael Machado, Abel Rodriguez, Carmen Herrera Mansir, and Todd Guin to the Measure D Taxpayer Oversight Committee. The committee is responsible for ensuring that Measure D revenues are spent in accordance with the 2016 voter-approved Ordinance. Committee members were selected by an Ad Hoc Committee made up of Commissioners Brown, Leopold, and McPherson, and which reviewed 35 applicants with staff.

Measuring What Matters
Guest Speaker: Jeffrey Tumlin, Principal and Director of Strategy at Nelson/ Nygaard Mr. Tumlin gave a presentation and led a discussion on transportation planning through the lens of an economist, and discussed ways to make transportation planning more equitable and efficient.

Highway 1 41st Avenue/ Soquel Drive Auxiliary Lanes Project Plans, Specifications and Estimate (PS&E) phase Cooperative Agreement and Consultant Selection
The RTC authorized a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans for the Plans, Specifications and Estimate (PS&E) phase for the Highway 1 41st / Soquel Auxiliary Lanes Project with the RTC as the implementing agency for design and right-of-way, and Caltrans responsible for oversight. The Executive Director was authorized to negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the County of Santa Cruz for the right-of-way portion of the project. The RTC also authorized the awarding of a professional engineering services contract with Mark Thomas & Company, Inc. to prepare the PS&E package for the Lanes Project.
Upcoming RTC and Committee Meetings:
Please check the RTC website [www.sccrtc.org] or call 831-460-3200 to confirm. Agendas are posted to the website at least 3 days before the meeting.

Bicycle Advisory Committee Special Meeting
Monday, September 10, 2018, 6:00 p.m.
RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA

Elderly & Disabled Advisory Committee Special Meeting
Tuesday, September 11, 2018, 1:30 p.m.
RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA

Traffic Operations Systems Committee/ Safe on 17
Wednesday, September 19, 2018, 10:00 a.m.
RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA

Innovators in Transportation Speaker Series
Impacts of Emerging Technologies on Communities
Becky Steckler, AICP
Program Manager for Urbanism Next at the University of Oregon
Wednesday, September 19, 2018, 6:30 p.m.
Veterans Memorial Building, 846 Front St, Santa Cruz, CA

Transportation Policy Workshop
Thursday, September 20, 2018, 9:00 a.m.
Metro Administrative Headquarters
110 Vernon Street, Santa Cruz, CA

Interagency Technical Advisory Committee
Thursday, September 20, 2018
RTC Office
1523 Pacific Ave, Santa Cruz, CA

Public input on transportation issues is welcomed and encouraged. For more information, visit the SCCRTC website at www.sccrtc.org or call 460-3200. Some Regional Transportation Commission meetings are televised countywide by Community TV of Santa Cruz. Consult www.communitytv.org or call 831-425-8848 for schedule and station information.