



**Santa Cruz County
Regional Transportation Commission**

MINUTES

**Monday, January 03, 2022
3:30 p.m.**

REMOTE MEETING

RTC Zoom Host

Web: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89351430611>

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Webinar ID: 893 5143 0611

1. Roll call.

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

Members present:

Jacques Bertrand

Sandy Brown

Mike Rotkin

Eduardo Montesino

Manu Koenig

Bruce McPherson

Kristin Petersen

Shebreh Kalantari-Johnson (Alt)

Felipe Hernandez (Alt)

Andy Schiffrin (Alt)

Robert Quinn (Alt)

Staff present:

Guy Preston

Luis Mendez

Yesenia Parra

Shannon Munz

Krista Corwin

2. Oral communications.

Received public comment from:

Mark Mesiti-Miller

Barry Scott

Trink Praxel

Kyle Kelley

Brian Peoples

Lani Faulkner, Equity Transit

David Van Brink

Executive Director Guy Preston responded to a question from a Commissioner representing concerns raised by members of the public regarding discussions in closed session on rail banking.

3. Additions or deletions to consent and regular agendas

There were no additions or deletions.

CONSENT AGENDA

No consent items were considered.

REGULAR AGENDA

4. Assembly Bill 361 Findings for Virtual and Hybrid Meetings

Deputy Director Luis Mendez delivered the staff report. Commissioners discussed: requesting amendment to Assembly Bill 361 to revise the 30-day rule; benefits of remote meeting; burdens of hybrid-style meetings; benefits of meeting face-to-face; and staffing burden.

Commissioner Rotkin motioned and Commissioner Alternate Schiffirin seconded the motion to approve the staff recommendations that:

1. The RTC has reconsidered the circumstances of the current COVID-19 state of emergency; and
2. The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members of the RTC, its committees, its staff and the public to meet safely in person; and
3. State or local officials continue to impose and recommend measures to promote social distancing; and
4. Therefore, meetings of the RTC will continue to be held in a hybrid or virtual format via Zoom and meetings of RTC committees will be held virtually via Zoom.

The motion passed unanimously with Commissioners Bertrand, Brown, Rotkin, Koenig, McPherson, Petersen, Montesino, and Commissioner Alternates Kalantari-Johnson, Schiffirin, Quinn, and Hernandez voting "aye."

Received public comment from:
Brian Peoples

The meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

5. Next meetings

The next RTC meeting will be held via Zoom teleconference on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

The next Transportation Policy Workshop meeting will be held via Zoom teleconference on Thursday, February 17 at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Yesenia Parra
Administrative Services Officer

Attendees:

Barry Scott
Brian (Trail Now)
David Van Brink
Lani Faulkner, Equity Transit
Kyle Kelley
Mark Mesiti-Miller
Trink Praxel