



**Santa Cruz County
Regional Transportation Commission**

REVISED AGENDA

**Thursday, December 07, 2023
9:00 a.m.**

In-Person Meeting

Scotts Valley City Council Chambers
1 Civic Center Drive
Scotts Valley, CA 95066

Remote Participation (see page 5 for more information)

RTC Zoom

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COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

Caltrans (ex-officio)	Scott Eades
City of Capitola	Alexander Pedersen
City of Santa Cruz	Sandy Brown
City of Scotts Valley	Randy Johnson
City of Watsonville	Eduardo Montesino
County of Santa Cruz	Felipe Hernandez
County of Santa Cruz	Justin Cummings
County of Santa Cruz	Zach Friend
County of Santa Cruz	Manu Koenig
County of Santa Cruz	Bruce McPherson
Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	Kristen Brown
Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	Vanessa Quiroz-Carter
Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	Mike Rotkin

The majority of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

1. Roll call

2. Consider AB2449 "Just Cause" requests
3. Additions or deletions to consent or regular agendas
4. Oral communications

Any member of the public may address the Commission on any item within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not already on the agenda. The Commission will listen to all communication, but in compliance with State law, it may not take action on items that are not on the agenda.

Speakers are requested to state their name clearly so that it can be accurately recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

All items appearing on the consent agenda are considered to be minor or non-controversial and will be acted upon in one motion if no member of the RTC or public wishes an item be removed and discussed on the regular agenda. Members of the Commission may raise questions, seek clarification or add directions to consent agenda items without removing the item from the consent agenda as long as no other Commissioner objects to the change.

MINUTES

5. Approve draft minutes of the November 02, 2023 Regional Transportation Commission meeting
6. Accept draft minutes of the November 13, 2023 Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting
7. Accept draft minutes of the November 14, 2023 Special Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee meeting
8. Approve draft minutes of the November 16, 2023 Special Regional Transportation Commission meeting
9. Accept draft minutes of the November 16, 2023 Interagency Technical Advisory Committee meeting

POLICY ITEMS

No consent items

PROJECTS and PLANNING ITEMS

10. Approve authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County to develop the Coastal Resilience Plans for Highway 1 and the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line at San Vincente Creek and Highway 1 at Waddell Creek
(**Resolution**)
11. Approve authorizing the Executive Director to enter into two separate agreements with Community Tree Service, LLC and Irish Excavation for on-call vegetation control services along the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line
(**Resolution**)

BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES ITEMS

12. Accept status report on Transportation Development Act (TDA) revenues
13. Accept status report on Measure D revenues
14. Approve FY23/24 Budget Amendment (**Resolution**)

ADMINISTRATION ITEMS

15. Approve authorizing the Executive Director to amend the contract with Clean Building Maintenance to include additional funding and to extend the contract term (**Resolution**)

INFORMATION/OTHER ITEMS

16. Accept monthly meeting schedule
17. Accept correspondence log
18. Accept letters from RTC committees and staff to other agencies - *none*
19. Accept information items
 - a. Ecology Action Youth Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Education 2022-2023 Final Report
 - b. November 20, 2023 Article: "FHWA Says Highway Construction Costs Continue to Soar"

REGULAR AGENDA

20. Commissioner Reports – oral reports
21. Selection of chair

22. Director's Report – oral report
(*Luis Mendez, Interim Executive Director*)
23. Caltrans Report
 - a. Santa Cruz County project updates
24. Presentation from Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District - Project Updates
(*Mike Tree, Santa Cruz METRO*)
25. **Public Hearing 9:45 a.m.** – Adoption of the 2023 Consolidated Grants Program, Senate Bill (SB) 125 Transit Funding Grants Program and Regional Transportation Improvement Program
(*Amy Naranjo, Transportation Planner*)
 - a. Staff Report (*Revised staff report and attachments posted to the website: <https://sccrtc.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/23-12-SR-RTIP-Final-Recs-revised-12.4.23.pdf>*)
 - b. Resolution
 - c. Summary of Applications and Staff Recommendations with Options Based on Committees' Recommendations
 - d. Amendments to Previously Approved Projects
 - e. Written Comments Received (any comments received by 9:00am on December 6th will be posted online prior to the meeting)
26. Review of items to be discussed in closed session

CLOSED SESSION

27. Public Employment
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
Title: Executive Director
28. Public Employment
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
Title: Interim Executive Director
29. Conference with Labor Negotiators
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)
Agency Designated Representatives: Tony Harris and Jesse Lad
Employee Organizations: CORE and RAMM

OPEN SESSION

30. Report on items discussed in closed session

31. Consideration and action to approve contract for Interim Executive Director
(Steve Mattas, RTC Counsel)

32. Next meetings

The next RTC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Chambers, located at 701 Ocean Street, Room 525, Santa Cruz, CA 95060.

The next Transportation Policy Workshop meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 21, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. by Zoom teleconference.

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