

**GOLDEN EMPIRE TRANSIT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MAY 28, 2019
5:30 PM**

**1830 GOLDEN STATE AVENUE
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA 93301**

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Carlos Bello

Leasa Engel

Cindy Parra

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Jim Baldwin

ATTORNEY PRESENT:

Jim Worth

STAFF PRESENT:

Karen King
Steve Barnes
Jill Smith
Sharon Pierce

Deidre Brown
Candra Cheers
Robert Williams

Jeanie Hill
Chris James
Victor Honorato

OTHERS PRESENT:

Bob Snoddy

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Engel led the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Director Engel moved and Director Bello seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda with three (3) ayes and one (1) absent (Baldwin).

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND GOLDEN EMPIRE TRANSIT DISTRICT

Ms. King stated that this MOA defines a planning relationship between Kern COG and GET for preparing a long-range transit plan for metropolitan Bakersfield. Ms. King shared that Kern COG will take the lead and draft the scope of work and then issue an RFP. It will take about two years to complete the project.

Director Bello moved and Director Engel seconded a motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Kern Council of Governments and Golden Empire Transit District for update of the long-range transit plan. The motion carried with three (3) ayes and one (1) absent (Baldwin).

CSUB TRANSIT FACILITY PAVING PROJECT

Mr. James commented that GET is in the process of designing a transit facility on the CSUB campus. The facility includes six bus bays on Don Hart Drive with passenger amenities. The District and CSUB agreed to divide the transit facility construction into two phases. The first phase would include the construction of the saw tooth parking area and repaving Don Hart Drive. The second phase would be scheduled for later in the year to construct the passenger areas.

Director Engel moved and Director Bello seconded a motion to award a contract to Bowman Asphalt to construct and repave Don Hart Drive in the amount of \$723,398 based on being the lowest responsible and responsive bidder. The motion carried with three (3) ayes and one (1) absent (Baldwin).

APRIL 2019 FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Mr. Barnes reviewed the April 2019 financial reports. This was an informational item only.

FY 2019-20 DISTRICT OPERATING BUDGET AND CAPITAL PROGRAM PROPOSALS

Mr. Barnes stated that the Administration and Finance Committee met to review the proposed FY 2019-20 budget and capital program. The proposed budget with recommended changes will be brought back to the Board for a public hearing on June 18, 2019. This was an informational item only.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/BOARD COMMENTS

Director Bello stated that he has some flyers for the East Bakersfield Festival to be held on June 8, 2019 at Jefferson Park. The event will be held from 11 am to 4 pm. He also followed up on the trash issue at the 19th Street and Union Avenue bus stop.

Director Parra thanked Ms. Fox for sharing the Bike Share event held in May on GET's social media.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT/COMMENTS

Ms. King thanked Ms. Hill and management staff for a very successful 2019 Health Faire. There were 230 employees and 20 vendors who participated in the Health Faire. Ms. King commented that GET has contracted with FlixBus to provide one bus stall at the downtown transit center and sell tickets for an agreed upon fee. Ms. King thanked the Board for the opportunity to attend the APTA Mobility Conference and APTA Study Mission.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board moved into executive session at 6:50 p.m. to discuss Conference with Legal Counsel pending Litigation [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] – One Matter – Hill and Conference with Legal Counsel pending Litigation [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)] – One Matter.

The Board returned to open session at 7:16 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Attorney Worth stated that no action was taken that would require disclosure under the Brown Act.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Director Parra moved that the meeting be closed. The meeting concluded at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary of the Board of Directors