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MINUTES



**El Dorado County/City of Folsom  
Joint Powers Authority Meeting**



**Wednesday, July 20, 2011  
9:00 a.m.**

El Dorado County  
Building C Hearing Room  
2850 Fairlane Court  
Placerville, CA 95667

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1. Call to Order: Chair Morin called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call  
Present: Director Nutting, Director Sheldon, Director Knight (*arrived at 9:06 a.m.*), and Chair Morin  
  
Staff present:  
El Dorado County: Roger Trout, Development Services Director; Jim Ware, DOT Director  
  
City of Folsom: David Miller, Community Development Director; Mark Rackovan, Public Works
4. Introduction of Guests – None
5. Approval of Minutes: April 20, 2011  
Jim Ware requested that clarification language be added to Item 7.b – *Status of Mobility Coalition* to reflect that the MOU had not been submitted to County Counsel for review as the funding issue still needed to be resolved. Moved by Director Knight and seconded by Director Nutting to approve as amended. Unanimously approved.
6. Status of Active Development Projects and Long-Range Projects in Each Jurisdiction
  - A. Folsom Sphere of Influence and Pending Annexation  
David Miller stated that they are through the environmental process and the challenge period of that process. He also announced that the EIR has been certified, the Specific Plan and General Plan amendments have been adopted, the property has been pre-zoned, and at the next City Council meeting a Resolution to authorize staff to begin annexation will be brought forth for approval. An application will be going in the first week of August and it's anticipated to be heard by LAFCO by the end of the year. Mr. Miller also stated that the City Council adopted a Tier 1 Development Agreement, which is an umbrella agreement that provides vesting and protection to the City for the future.

In response to Director Nutting's request for clarification on the term "pre-zone", Mr. Miller explained the term and the process in detail.

In response to Director Knight's inquiry on the annexation completion date and expected date when the project would be under the jurisdiction of Folsom, Mr. Miller stated that the target completion date for the annexation is the end of the calendar year but may slip into the first quarter of 2012. He also stated that prior to the beginning the subdivision, backbone infrastructure needs to be in place.

7. Transportation Planning

A. Capital South East Connector Status

Mark Rackovan informed the Directors that the Connector JPA will hold a public hearing that night on the CEQA document for the final EIR. It is anticipated that the certification will occur next month.

B. Status of 50 Mobility Coalition

No updates.

8. El Dorado County Transportation Projects

A. Update on U.S. 50 Auxiliary Lanes

Jim Ware explained that the paving portion of the project was delayed due to the weather. The El Dorado County Executive Director of the Transportation Commission petitioned the California Transportation Commission for residual funding left in the CMIA account and was able to secure \$9.5 million to continue the HOV lane further up the hill. The next phase of the project, going up to Cameron Park, is anticipated to be under construction by March 2012. The portion of the project currently underway is expected to be completed by Fall 2011.

B. Silva Valley Parkway Interchange

Jim Ware announced that the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors certified the environmental document last month and they authorized staff to proceed with the Right-of-Way acquisition. It is anticipated that the project will be out by the first quarter of 2012.

In response to Chair Morin's inquiry on funding, Mr. Ware stated that there is \$27 million in set-aside funds. Director Knight stated that DOT should be commended as they have modified some of the design work to phase it so it can easily accommodate the anticipated traffic but still allow the budget to be manageable.

C. Saratoga Way

Director Knight mentioned that they have had some discussion with Jim Konopka, City of Folsom Senior Trails Coordinator, through the El Dorado County Transportation Commission and he had provided them a desired Right-of-Way if Saratoga Way was ever punched through. Since the property owners live out of the country, Director Knight is in the process of sending a letter requesting

them to grant an easement so the County can go after some grant funding to connect a bike path from the end of Saratoga Way to Iron Point Road.

D. White Rock Road

Jim Ware stated that they are currently under construction with a traffic signal at the White Rock Road/Windfield Way intersection. White Rock Road is being widened east of Post Street to resolve a bottleneck issue in that area. Staff is in the process of obtaining funding to replace the current stop sign in that area with a traffic signal. Mr. Ware also mentioned that Silva Valley is being widened to a four-lane project.

Director Knight announced that the El Dorado County Executive Director for the Transportation Commission has announced her retirement and will be leaving in September 2011.

9. Folsom Transportation Projects

A. White Rock Road

Mark Rackovan stated that Sacramento County Transportation is currently designing a transportation corridor crossing that is tied to the excursion rail. They also have a safety improvements project for shoulder widening and minor intersection widening but did not have a status update on it. Chair Morin inquired on when it was expected for the connector work on the Sacramento County side to begin and Mr. Rackovan responded that he believes that the design phase has yet to begin.

Jim Ware stated that Sacramento County was successful in receiving CMIA funding for \$22 million to remove the dogleg portion of Grant Line Road and he believed that the process was underway. He also spoke on the JPA Connector's relationship and role with the other jurisdictions.

B. Rock Quarries South of White Rock Road

Mark Rackovan said they are still trying to get a consensus from the stakeholders on a routing and management plan. The large group has broken into sub-groups in order to work out the details and there is a meeting scheduled on August 2, 2011 which will provide a status update from the various sub-groups. Significant discussion ensued in response to Director Nutting's inquiry on providing heavy rail to the quarries.

C. Green Valley Road Widening from Blue Ravine to El Dorado County

Mark Rackovan indicated that they are currently waiting on the substantial completion of the Mormon Island Auxiliary Dam project as it is doing some very deep excavation immediately next to the Green Valley Right-of-Way. This is an unfunded improvement but as part of the SACOG Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update, this project is identified as a pre-2020 project and is anticipated to begin in 2014.

Jim Ware wanted to relay to the City of Folsom's Public Works Director that if there is a need for a haul road and it was parallel to and immediately adjacent to

Green Valley Road, that it would help with the design and construction efforts that the jurisdictions would need for a future roadway.

10. Sacramento/Placerville Transportation Corridor JPA  
Presentation by Folsom, El Dorado & Sacramento Historical Railroad Association  
(FEDES)

Philip Rose provided a PowerPoint presentation that addressed background, recent activity, community outreach, business plan concepts, and next steps.

Director Sheldon commented that he had attended the trip to Niles and felt that this area would provide a much more scenic view to the participants.

Significant discussion ensued on the following items: fare, destinations, type of usage, partnership with trails organizations, and inventory of line.

11. Mather STAR Update

David Miller stated that in recognition of the County's concerns of the SOI, they have concluded the avigation easement as a requirement for properties within the SOI, to respect the fact that the City had directed the public to use the STAR road, and to be very forthright in notifying future residents that there is air traffic.

Director Knight suggested that the property owners be required to include in any marketing publications/advertisements the location of Mather Airport and their current traffic. Mr. Miller responded that based on their conversations with the residents, that appears to be their intent.

Roger Trout stated that the FAA is preparing a Tele-Com on July 27, 2011 and they are going through final preliminary procedures for the approach and expect an April 5, 2012 publication date. The FAA gave a presentation to the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors and they seemed to acknowledge the need for community support. There will be some noise monitoring sites in El Dorado County, and most likely in Folsom, and there will be future talks on night-time noise abatement procedures.

12. Public Comments – None

13. Next Meeting

A. Next Meeting – October 19, 2011  
Folsom City Council Chambers, 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA  
Director Knight stated that he will be out of town on that day.

B. Items for Next Agenda – None

14. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.