

County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DISTRICT 2 **File #:** 19-692

Board Meeting Date: 7/9/2019

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Carole Groom, President, District 2

Warren Slocum, Supervisor, District 4

Subject: Appointments to the Bay Area Toll Authority's Regional Measure 3 Independent

Oversight Committee

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution appointing Bob Marks and Frederick A. Hansson to the Bay Area Toll Authority's (the "Authority's") Regional Measure 3 Independent Oversight Committee for terms ending June 30, 2023.

BACKGROUND:

On June 5, 2018, voters in the nine Bay Area counties approved Regional Measure 3 ("RM 3"), a proposed increase to toll rates on state-owned bridges in the region. RM 3 authorized toll increases of up to three dollars (\$3) to be phased in one dollar at a time over the course of six years. Effective January 1, 2019, the base toll rate on these bridges was increased by one dollar.

SB 595 also required, if voters approved the RM3 toll increase, that the Authority establish an independent oversight committee within six months of the effective date of the toll increase (*i.e.*, on or before July 1, 2019). This committee will be subject to the Brown Act.

DISCUSSION:

SB 595 sets forth the following provisions regarding the functions and membership of the independent oversight committee (the "Oversight Committee") (Streets and Highways Code Section 30923 (h)):

- The purpose of the Oversight Committee is to ensure that any toll revenues generated pursuant to the RM3 toll increase are expended consistent with the applicable requirements of the RM3 expenditure plan set forth in Streets and Highways Code Section 30914.7;
- The Oversight Committee shall include two representatives from each county within the jurisdiction of the commission;
- Each representative shall be appointed by the applicable county board of supervisors and

- serve a four-year term and shall be limited to two terms;
- The Oversight Committee shall annually review the expenditure of funds by the Authority for the projects and programs specified in Section 30914.7 and prepare and submit a report to the transportation committee of each house of the Legislature summarizing its findings; and
- The Oversight Committee may request any documents from the Authority to assist the committee in performing its functions.

In order for the Oversight Committee to carry out its work, the Authority has indicated that it anticipates providing the following support functions to the Oversight Committee:

- Making meeting space available at the Bay Area Metro Center;
- Providing general administrative and clerk support; and
- Providing a stipend to members for meeting attendance.

The Authority has indicated that it anticipates that committee matters such as meeting dates, frequency, and length will be established by the members of the committee.

Bob Marks is a Legislative Aide for Supervisor Warren Slocum. Mr. Marks works on the issues of transportation and infrastructure. He was raised in San Mateo, where he still resides, and has spent four decades working in politics, government, and television. He previously served as an aide and advisor to the Los Angeles, Santa Clara and San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, and served as Chief Aide to Supervisors Tom Huening and Ruben Barrales. Bob worked on the development of the original Measure A for transportation in 1987, he ran the campaign to extend BART to Colma in 1985 and to the San Francisco International Airport in 1987. In 1999, he created Peninsula TV, San Mateo County's regional TV station.

Frederick A. Hansson is a long-time resident of the City of San Mateo. Mr. Hansson has been active in the City of San Mateo by holding a succession of public offices, including Councilmember, Planning Commissioner, and Public Works Commissioner. He, currently, serves on the San Mateo County Planning Commission. He has also had an extensive history of community involvement on land use advisory boards and is actively assisting in procuring a grant for San Mateo County's Ohlone-Portola Heritage Trail project.

Approval of this resolution contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 of a Collaborative Community

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None