



# CALIFORNIA High-Speed Rail Authority

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### Board meeting minutes

August 24, 2023

#### Webcast

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The meeting of the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) Board convened on August 24, 2023, at the Department of Food and Agriculture Auditorium 1220 N Street, Sacramento, CA and by zoom. The minutes were prepared in the order items were presented during the meeting.

#### Members Present:

- Mr. Tom Richards, Chair
- Ms. Nancy Miller, Vice-Chair
- Mr. Henry Perea
- Ms. Lynn Schenk
- Ms. Ernest Camacho
- Ms. Martha Escutia
- Mr. James Ghielmetti
- Mr. Anthony Williams
- The Honorable Dr. Joaquin Arambula, Ex Officio Member

#### Members Absent:

- Ms. Emily Cohen
- The Honorable Lena Gonzalez, Ex Officio Member

#### **Public Comment**

An opportunity for public comment was provided.

Public comment can be found on pages 7-14 of the August 24, 2023, transcripts.

#### **Agenda Item #1 – Consider Approving the July 27, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes**

The July 27, 2023, meeting minutes were moved for approval by Director Ghielmetti, seconded by Director Camacho and approved (7-0)

Questions and comments made during agenda item #1 can be found on page 15 of the August 24, 2023, transcripts.

#### **Agenda Item #2 – Consider Providing Approval to Release a Request for Qualifications for a Supply-Maintain Contract for High-Speed Trainsets and Related Services**

Chief of Rail for the Authority, Bruce Armistead, provided a presentation on the request for qualifications for a supply-maintain contract for trainsets and related services to the Board. Resolution 23-06 was moved for approval by Director Perea, seconded by Director Williams and approved (8-0) with the following amendment included:

*Staff shall amend the draft RFQ prior to release to include a scored component of the Statement of Qualifications that addresses an Offer' plan to meet the Authority's small business program goals including small, disadvantaged, and disabled veteran business entities.*

Questions and comments made during agenda item #2 can be found on pages 17-38 of the August 24, 2023, transcripts.

### **Agenda Item #3 – Northern California Regional Update**

Northern California Regional Director for the Authority, Boris Lipkin, provided a Northern California regional update to the Board.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #3 can be found on pages 38-56 of the August 24, 2023, transcripts.

### **Agenda Item #4– Solar Update**

Director of Planning and Sustainability for the Authority, Margaret Cederoth, provided an update on battery storage and solar generation strategy to the Board.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #4 can be found on pages 56-69 of the August 24, 2023, transcripts. –

### **Agenda Item #5– CEO Report**

Chief Financial Officer for the Authority, Brian Annis, provided a program update to the Board.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #5 can be found on pages 70-81 of the August 24, 2023, transcripts. -

### **Agenda Item #6 – Finance and Audit Committee Report**

Board member Ernest Camacho, Provided a brief recap of the August 24, 2023, Finance and Audit Committee meeting.

Questions and comments made during agenda item #6 can be found on pages 81-83 of the August 24, 2023, transcripts.

### **Meeting Adjourned**

Chair Richards announced at 11:39 a.m. that the Board would adjourn.