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BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING RECORD

February 20, 2025, 4:30 p.m.
Eureka City Hall, Council Chambers
531 K Street, Eureka CA 95501

Present:

Mayor Mike Johnson (Chair)	City of Fortuna
Councilmember Kat Napier	City of Blue Lake
Councilmember Skip Jorgensen	City of Ferndale
Supervisor Steve Madrone	County of Humboldt
Mayor Kim Bergel	City of Eureka
Councilmember Stacy Atkins-Salazar	City of Arcata

Policy Advisory Committee Members:

Natalie Arroyo	Humboldt Transit Authority
Tatiana Ahlstrand	Caltrans

Absent:

Mayor Pro Tem Bryce Kenny	City of Trinidad
Councilmember Robert Orr	City of Rio Dell

Staff:

Debbie Egger	Interim Executive Director
Amy Eberwein	Administrative Services Officer

1. Call to Order

Chair Mike Johnson called the meeting of February 20, 2025, to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. Adjournment of the HCAOG Board; Convening of the Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)

The PAC convened to include representatives from Caltrans and Humboldt Transit Authority.

3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items - None

4. Consent Calendar

Motion was made (Madrone/Bergel) to approve the following consent items:

- a. Approval of Meeting Records – January 16, 2025**

- b. FY 2025-26 Transportation Development Act Local Transportation Fund (LTF) Apportionment**
Adoption of Resolution 25-02 approving the FY 2025-26 LTF apportionment.
- c. County of Humboldt FY 24-25 Local Transportation Fund (LTF) Claim**
Adoption of Resolution 25-03 approving the County of Humboldt's FY 24-25 LTF claim.
- d. City of Rio Dell Local Match Contingency Fund Request**
Authorized funding for the City of Rio Dell's Traffic Circulation Study in the amount of \$7,250.

Motion was approved unanimously.

5. Items Removed from Consent Calendar – None

6. Action Items

a. Draft FY 2025-26 Overall Work Program (OWP) & Budget

Motion was made (Madrone/Napier) to approve the Draft FY 2025-26 OWP Budget and to forward the draft to Caltrans for their review and comments.

7. Reconvening of the HCAOG Board

Motion was made (Jorgensen/Atkins-Salazar) to reconvene as the HCAOG Board and approve the PAC recommendations.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. HCAOG Staff and Board/PAC Member Reports

a. HCAOG Executive Director's Report

- Interim Executive Director Debbie Egger discussed the current workload for staff and upcoming tasks and projects.

b. Caltrans Report

- Jeff Pimentel discussed the progress of the Indianola Undercrossing Project.

c. Board/PAC Member Reports

- Natalie Arroyo discussed the upcoming delivery of Humboldt Transit Authority's first hydrogen bus and preparation for its use. The EaRTH Center project has passed the design review stage.
- Supervisor Madrone discussed HCAOG's involvement in Measure O, and the status of Scenic Drive and the Little River Bridge project.

9. Closed Session

a. Closed Session: Executive Director Recruitment

The Board moved into closed session to discuss updates on the Executive Director Recruitment process.

b. Closed Session: Reports

Chair Johnson reported that the Board made the following vote during closed session:

Motion was made (Madrone/Bergel) to direct the Interim Executive Director to enter into contract negotiations with the person who was selected to fill the Executive Director role.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.