



HUMBOLDT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
Regional Transportation Planning Agency
Humboldt County Local Transportation Authority
Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING RECORD**

October 16, 2025, 4:30 p.m.
Eureka City Hall, Council Chambers
531 K Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Present:

Mayor Mike Johnson (Chair)
Supervisor Mike Wilson (Alternate)
Mayor John Sawatsky
Mayor Kim Bergel
Mayor Pro Tem Bryce Kenny
Councilmember Stacy Atkins-Salazar
Councilmember Skip Jorgensen

City of Fortuna
County of Humboldt
City of Blue Lake
City of Eureka
City of Trinidad
City of Arcata
City of Ferndale

Policy Advisory Committee Members:

Natalie Arroyo (PAC Member)
Tatiana Ahlstrand (PAC Member)

Humboldt Transit Authority
Caltrans

Absent:

Councilmember Robert Orr

City of Rio Dell

Staff:

Brendan Byrd
Amy Eberwein
Oona Smith

Executive Director
Administrative Services Officer
Senior Regional Planner

1. Call to Order

Chair Johnson called the meeting of October 16, 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. Presentation

a. Humboldt Transit Authority Measure O

PAC Member Arroyo shared information on the spending plan for Measure O funds that Humboldt Transit Authority will receive.

5. Consent Calendar

Motion was made (Jorgensen/Kenny) to approve the following consent items:

- a. **Approval of Meeting Records** – September 18, 2025

Motion was approved unanimously.

6. Items Removed from Consent Calendar – None

7. Action Items

- a. **Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3, Bicycle and Pedestrian 2% Allocation – City of Blue Lake Project Modification Request**

Motion was made (Atkins-Salazar/Wilson) to recommend that the HCAOG Board approve a modification to the 2024 2% TDA funding request from the City of Blue Lake. **Motion was approved unanimously.**

- b. **Consultant Selection for Partnering Assets and Authorities for Comprehensive Transit (PAACT) Planning Project**

Motion was made (Wilson/Bergel) to recommend that the HCAOG Board award a professional services contract to DKS for the Comprehensive Plan for Regional Transit and Land-Use Network Planning project.

Motion was approved unanimously.

8. Discussion Items

- a. **State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)/Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) Update**

Executive Director Brendan Byrd provided an update on the 2026 STIP process, including the draft project funding recommendation from the October TAC meeting. There was significant conversation regarding City of Fortuna's Kenmar/Ross Hill Road Intersection Improvement project.

Public Comment: Colin Fiske

9. Reconvening of the HCAOG Board

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

Motion was approved unanimously.

10. HCAOG Staff and Board/PAC Member Reports

- a. **HCAOG Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Brendan Byrd discussed upcoming opportunities for the community to participate including the Unmet Transit Needs public hearings, the Regional Transportation Plan Community Workshop, the 60-day public comment period for the Draft Regional Housing Needs Methodology and upcoming public hearing, and a community workshop for the Vibrant Neighborhoods project.

- b. **Caltrans Report**

None

- c. **Board/PAC Member Reports**

PAC Member Arroyo provided updates on Humboldt Transit Authority ridership statistics from the free summer rides promotion.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.