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INDEPENDENT SURTAX OVERSIGHT BOARD APPOINTING AUTHORITY MEETING

April 24, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Randall Vitale, designee of the Broward Workshop, Chair

Mr. Sidney Calloway, designee of the Urban League of Broward County

Dr. Colin Polsky, FAU Center for Environmental Studies

Mr. Dan Lindblade, designee of the Broward County Council of Chambers

Ms. Monica Cepero, County Administrator

The Honorable Jack Seiler, designee of the Broward League of Cities

Mr. Felipe Pinzon, designee of Hispanic Unity, via Zoom

Members Absent:

Also Present:

Gretchen Cassini, Assistant County Administrator, Board Coordinator, MAP

Broward

Angela Wallace, County Attorney's Office

Roy Burnett, Administrative Coordinator, MAP Broward
Tashauna Wilson, Public Information Specialist
Miriam Brighton, The Laws Group

A meeting of the Independent Surtax Oversight Committee Appointing

Authority was held in Room 430, Governmental Center, 115 S. Andrews

Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida at 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 24, 2023.

(The following is a near-verbatim transcript of the meeting.)

CALL TO ORDER - CHAIR, RANDALL VITALE

CHAIR VITALE: Okay. Good morning, everybody. Thank --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good morning.

CHAIR VITALE: -- thank you. 10:35 on April 24th, we will call this meeting to order.

ROLL CALL - ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR, ROY BURNETT

CHAIR VITALE: If we can please start with the roll call.

MR. BURNETT: Good morning, everyone.

Randall Vitale?

CHAIR VITALE: Present.

MR. BURNETT: Sidney Calloway.

MR. CALLOWAY: Present.

MR. BURNETT: Thank you.

Monica Cepero.

MS. CEPERO: Present.

MR. BURNETT: Thank you.

Colin Polsky?

DR. POLSKY: Present.

MR. BURNETT: Jack Seiler?

MR. SEILER: Here.

MR. BURNETT: Dan Lindblade.

MR. LINDBLADE: Here.

MR. BURNETT: Thank you.

Felipe Pinzon?

MR. PINZON: Present.

MR. BURNETT: Thank you.

We have a quorum.

CHAIR VITALE: Okay. Thank you. Great to see everybody.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

CHAIR VITALE: I hope everyone had a chance to review -- actually, public participation. Did we have anybody -- no one registered. Okay. Great.

Not great that no one registered.

(Laughter.)

CHAIR VITALE: Great that we can move on to the next agenda item.

So looking at the agenda, we have a -- what I think will be a pretty quick meeting this morning, but we'll have some time to speak on other items if anyone has anything they'd like to bring up, as well.

ACTION ITEMS

1 - MOTION TO APPROVE JANUARY 6, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

CHAIR VITALE: So looking at the action items, for Number 1, we have the motion to approve the January 6th minutes.

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They were sent in advance. Thank you, Roy.

Hopefully you had a chance to review them.

Does anyone have any corrections or changes that they'd like to make?

MR. SEILER: So moved.

MR. CALLOWAY: Second.

CHAIR VITALE: Motion to accept and approve --

MS. CASSINI: Oh, wait, wait.

MR. PINZON: I'm sorry. Just minor edits. Page 1 --

CHAIR VITALE: Sure.

MR. PINZON: -- starting at (inaudible), just to make sure that it's accurate. My first name is misspelled. It's minor. Just making sure that it's accurate. Thank you.

CHAIR VITALE: Okay. We will get that -- we'll get the name changed. Thank you, Felipe.

So, with that change -- consider that a friendly amendment -- are there any other -- well, actually, there's a motion and a second to accept the minutes as presented.

All those in favor, signify by saying aye.]

Opposed, same sign.

Okay. Seeing none, the minutes are adopted.

VOTE PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

2 -CONSIDERATION OF APPLICANT(S) FOR THE INDEPENDENT

TRANSPORTATION SURTAX OVERSIGHT BOARD VACANCY IN THE

CATEGORY, "ONE PRESIDENT OF A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER

EDUCATION WITH A GEOGRAPHIC PRESENCE IN BROWARD COUNTY,

OR SUCH PERSON'S DESIGNEE PROVIDED THE DESIGNEE HAS

KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE IN SUPPLIER RELATIONS AND

DIVERSITY" PER ARTICLE V. SEC. 31 1/2 - 75(a)(9), BROWARD COUNTY

CODE OF ORDINANCES

CHAIR VITALE: Item Number 2. You all will recall, and from

reviewing the minutes, we had to change the status for the applicant --

excuse me, for one of the openings on the Oversight Board.

And all of that happened since our last meeting, and we have since

also received an applicant who is qualified.

Only one was submitted and qualified, and that is Anthea Pennant-

Wallace, designee of Broward College.

And, as a reminder, she was on the Oversight Board previously, and,

you know, all of the information, I think, is there in your packets which, again,

were sent previously, but is also here in front of you in the packet that was

provided. So, again, thank you to staff.

In my opinion, very qualified, very excited to be engaged and stay

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engaged, but I'm happy to open it up for any discussion or comments or anything anyone would like to discuss.

1 APPLICANT ANTHEA PENNANT-WALLACE, DESIGNEE OF BROWARD COLLEGE PRESIDENT GREGORY HAILE, J.D.

A MOTION TO APPOINT ANTHEA PENNANT-WALLACE
TO THE INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION SURTAX
OVERSIGHT BOARD AS THE DESIGNEE OF THE
PRESIDENT OF BROWARD COLLEGE WHO HAS
KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE IN SUPPLIER
RELATIONS AND DIVERSITY.

MR. LINDBLADE: I'll move the appointment.

CHAIR VITALE: Okay. Motion to move the appointment of Anthea Pennant-Wallace by Dan Lindblade.

MR. PINZON: Second.

CHAIR VITALE: Second by Felipe and others.

Any discussion?

MR. SEILER: I mean, I think she's kind of perfect --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible.)

MR. SEILER: -- (inaudible) thinking of. Sorry.

MR. LINDBLADE: The -- the (inaudible).

MR. SEILER: Again, I think she's perfect. I mean, obviously she has

the background already on this, but when you look at where she's sitting now at the Broward College, she's been elevated from her prior position in which she oversaw supplier relations and diversity and all that.

I think she's perfect.

CHAIR VITALE: Thank you, Jack.

Any other comments? Discussion?

MR. CALLOWAY: Mr. Chair, I agree with Jack's comments.

CHAIR VITALE: Thank you, Sidney.

MR. LINDBLADE: Just I remember when we went through the change and I talked to President Haile about it. And so I know this was coming, because he wasn't going to sit here.

But he really appreciated the communications with the Appointing Authority and staff as to what was happening.

And so it was very timely, and he didn't get hoodwinked or anything like that.

So he was really happy about the way that that all transpired.

CHAIR VITALE: Great. Thank you. And thank you to staff for that.

Okay. So we have a -- any other discussion?

So we have a motion to appoint that has been seconded for Anthea Pennant-Wallace to serve as the -- on the Independent Transportation Surtax Oversight Board as the designee of the President of Broward College.

All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

Any opposed?

Seeing none, it is unanimous.

VOTE PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

B MOTION TO APPROVE WAIVER OF CONFLICT UNDER SECTION 112.323(7)(a), FLORIDA STATUTES FOR ANTHEA PENNANT-WALLACE, WHO HOLDS AN EMPLOYMENT OR CONTRACTIONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH AN ENTITY THAT RECEIVES FUNDS FROM BROWARD COUNTY.

CHAIR VITALE: Okay. So that is it for action items.

MS. CASSINI: One more.

MR. SEILER: Waiver of conflict.

MS. CEPERO: One more.

CHAIR VITALE: Oh.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah.

CHAIR VITALE: Thank goodness I have so much support here. I appreciate it.

So, yes, there's -- as a reminder, we have a conflict policy that doesn't allow individuals, organizations, unless there's a waiver, who receive surtax - who receive -- have a relationship with Broward County.

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Why don't I let the experts say it? Angela?

MS. WALLACE: Chapter 112 Florida Statutes prohibits individuals who are in employment or contractual relationships with the entity to serve on the advisory board unless there's a waiver.

So the motion provides for a waiver of the conflict section -- in Section 112.313.

And Ms. Pennant-Wallace submitted a request of the appropriate form seeking the waiver, Form 4A, seeking the waiver of the statutory conflict.

And this body is able to do that so that -- which would enable her to serve.

CHAIR VITALE: Thank you. Much more eloquent than I would have been able to do, so I appreciate it.

MR. SEILER: I'll move the waiver.

CHAIR VITALE: Okay. So motion by Jack Seiler to --

MR. CALLOWAY: Second.

CHAIR VITALE: -- approve the waiver. And Sidney Calloway seconded.

Any discussion?

Okay. Seeing none, all those in favor, signify by saying aye.

Opposed, same sign.

Seeing none, it passes unanimously.

VOTE PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

MAP BROWARD ANNUAL REPORT (FY 2022)

CHAIR VITALE: Now it looks like we are done with action items, so thank you.

Informational Item. Gretchen, would you like to share a little bit about the annual report?

MR. LINDBLADE: Mr. Chair?

CHAIR VITALE: Yes, Dan?

MR. LINDBLADE: What is this?

MS. CASSINI: Oh, this is for her (indicating.) It's a mic.

MR. LINDBLADE: Oh, okay.

CHAIR VITALE: It's a microphone.

MR. LINDBLADE: I'm going, what the heck is this thing. Thank you.

MS. CASSINI: It's a furry little mic.

CHAIR VITALE: Yes, I guess it's to get the -- the T's and the sound not so strong on the fuzzies?

THE REPORTER: Yeah.

CHAIR VITALE: Microphone, Dan.

MR. LINDBLADE: Thank you.

CHAIR VITALE: Okay. Gretchen.

MS. CASSINI: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

It's a pleasure to present to you all the MAP Broward FY 2022 Annual Report.

We just distributed it to our elected officials this morning as well as County administration, the Auditor, and the County Attorney's Office.

So you are the first to receive it other than those folks.

And we also distributed an animated -- our first time animated e-version that we will continue to upgrade and host on our website, and we hope you'll enjoy it.

And thank you very much for your service.

CHAIR VITALE: Thank you so much, Gretchen and team, for providing this. Look forward to reviewing it.

NON-AGENDA

MEMBER REPORTS

CHAIR VITALE: Is there anything else that anyone would like to discuss while we're here together?

Jack?

MR. SEILER: Yeah, just as a follow up to this, because I actually think this is neat. I was flipping through this.

But is it possible to get like Lamar and Alan Hooper to do some -- you know, whether it be This Week in South Florida, sort of get the word out

about all the good stuff that's being done with this?

Because, you know, you -- you look at this -- and I haven't had a

chance, obviously, to go back through it, but flipping through, this is the stuff

the public needs to know, because for a long time, on transportation projects,

everybody felt like what's happening with my dollars, where are they going,

how are they -- how are they being spent.

And everybody's -- you know, you turn around, whether it's Miami-

Dade or Broward, every, you know, large area, there's complaints about

misspending or dollars not -- I think this is exactly why this was created, this

surtax and the -- you know, the board and the Oversight Authority.

I'd love to see -- and, Monica, maybe this is direct to you -- get Lamar

and Alan and -- almost on a little series of appearances, talking about where

these dollars are going and all these great transportation projects, because

this is nice, but I'm not sure this is going to hit the members of the public that

don't do -- won't do research looking for it.

And I think you've almost got to put it out in front of them, because I

love what is being accomplished, and I feel really proud that, you know, this

is taking this direction.

MS. CEPERO: Yeah, those are valid points, and we're absolutely

working on a communications plan that Gretchen is working on, and maybe if

you want to speak more to that.

MS. CASSINI: No, we couldn't agree more. And we do get a lot of

questions about where's the money being spent, what's happening with the

reserves.

In fact, that's going to be a discussion on Thursday at the Oversight

Board meeting. The Chair wants to have -- we do have the independent

audit that's on the agenda for Thursday.

And we do encourage the Mayor, Monica, and the Chair to do

presentations, and we support them. We try to organize them, we try to get

them out into the community, do state of the County highlights.

So we'll be letting you all know about what types of events and

presentations we plan to go to and provide this type of information to the

public.

MR. PINZON: Mr. Chair, may I?

CHAIR VITALE: Yeah, please. Go ahead, Felipe. We'll go to Felipe,

and then we'll go to Colin.

MR. PINZON: I totally agree. Just also let us know how we can help.

We serve thousands of working families (inaudible). You know, this is the

reason we do this for, right? So we can actually share some of the highlights

and your accomplishments through social media and many other things.

MS. CASSINI: We really appreciate that. And, yes, we need you all

to be our ambassadors and our voices in the community as well.

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CHAIR VITALE: Go ahead, Colin. And then Dan.

DR. POLSKY: I second the Mayor's comment that this is a great report, and it would be great to get it out more publicly.

One of the themes, I think, that's underplayed in it, as far as I can tell, is the environmental impact or focus. So if we could call it climate, you know, through efficiency, or vehicles running on alternative fuels and -- and whatnot.

And I know that some of that is happening. And so my question -- it's kind of a question and a comment is could -- well, I know the answer is yes. But might you consider translating what you all have done into the environmental side? So amount of emissions reduced, for example.

Not -- not too difficult to do, but it would, I think, satisfy some of the growing interest in the community on climate questions, what's our government doing in that.

And Broward, I think, is really a national leader in that field already, and so this is just an opportunity to toot your own horns even more.

On that, you know, there's so much funding available now from DC to the states and counties and municipalities for greening up whatever, including operations, such as transportation.

And so to the extent that you all can develop that angle in your communications, you might be eligible for some -- whole lot of extra funding.

MS. CASSINI: Thank you, Dr. Polsky. And we are getting a lot of

Resilient Florida money right now and matching it up with the surtax.

Actually, there's another item on Thursday. The Oversight Board

action item does relate to another Resilient Florida grant that a new project

that we're going to be implementing in our unincorporated area, matching

with surtax dollars through the Public Works Department. Very proud of that.

That's the second in our BMSD.

And, actually, Tashauna and I have been talking a lot about this. We

are migrating our website away from broward.org, because it's -- our website

just has so much information on it that our public communications team has

asked us to try to host it independently, especially because we have that

public project dashboard, which is just very content-rich.

And one of the things that we wanted to do is create a page, an entire

page, that focuses on resiliency. Resiliency is one of the three foundational

elements of the program.

And really do exactly what you just suggested, translating how all of

the improvements so far are, you know, impacting communities, how the

greening of the fleet by 2035 will have air quality improvements, and -- and a

variety of other things that are being done between Transit and Public Works

and the cities.

So thank you for that, and I will -- as soon as we get that done,

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hopefully within the next few months, we'll let all of you know so that you can

take a look at it and give us your feedback.

MS. CEPERO: Mr. Chair, as a follow up. And, Colin, that -- as you

well know, you know, Dr. Jurado is -- lives and breathes that stuff. And so a

lot of what Gretchen just spoke to, she has already done a lot of the legwork

on the quantifying of those data points, and it's just a matter of integrating it.

And so they're in the process of doing that.

But it's a great -- a great point.

DR. POLSKY: And her group was exactly who I was thinking of, is a

likely partner already with this effort. But you all have a lot here to mine and

promote.

CHAIR VITALE: Thank you.

Dan and then Sidney.

MR. LINDBLADE: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

So, I look at this transportation -- I'll call it a tilt -- similar to the

resiliency issue. We're doing great work, but we don't do such a great job

marketing it to the general public.

So, I mean, as the Council of Chambers representative, we all have

websites, we all have business meetings, we all have plenty of venue to get

the word out to supplement what you're doing.

So I don't want the County to think you have to do it all yourself.

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Leverage our organizations to help get the word out.

So give me copies of this. I'll give it to every director. Every council

meeting we have, we'll have it out there. We'll put it on our website to the

electronic version link.

All the Council of Chambers I know will participate as well.

It's just a great way to get it out to the business community.

And I'm sure there's others. Urban League, Hispanic Unity. We all

want to help spread the good news.

And -- because there is a little bit of an undercurrent out there about.

hey, why aren't the lights synchronized and yada-yada-yada, all this stuff.

And we want to make sure that we get ahead of that before it gets to

be a swell.

So thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR VITALE: Thanks, Dan.

Sidney?

MR. CALLOWAY: You know, sort of tying into the conversation that

Jack and Dan just alluded to as well, I see that, you know, this report here is

the MAP Broward Annual Report, and I'm just wondering the extent to which

we might have somewhat of a -- of a disconnect between what people are

seeing versus what they are remembering.

This was a transportation surtax, so if it were me, I'm thinking most of

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the people in this community, they're going to recognize, they're going to see

and understand and connect with the use of that word.

So I would certainly just think that that might be important in terms of

how we're actually, again, tying this report in to what people are expecting to

see.

The other thing, too, is that the municipalities in Broward, also

There's probably opportunities to leverage getting this stakeholders.

information out to them. And, obviously, they're the ones who are actually

providing the projects that are coming forward. And so I just think it makes

really good sense to connect with those folks in addition to the private sector

folks that Dan alluded to.

CHAIR VITALE: Thank you, Sidney.

Monica?

MS. CEPERO: So, first of all, I want to thank all of you for your

willingness and eagerness to help spread the word. So we're going to take

you all up on it.

I will plan on asking Gretchen to help me draft a letter that I would like

to send out as the Administrator to the League of Cities and to BCCMA to

make sure we get this out and use that as a platform as well.

So we'll make sure that, you know, Sidney and Felipe, your

organizations as well, as well as the universities, so we'll make sure that --

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that that -- we utilize that platform -- those platforms.

Thanks.

MR. SEILER: Monica, remind me. Other than Lazy Lake, what's the other city not in it? 29 cities have participated.

MS. WALLACE: Sea -- Sea Lake Ranch.

CHAIR VITALE: Sea Ranch Lakes.

MR. SEILER: Sea Ranch Lakes? Lazy Lake and Sea Ranch.

CHAIR VITALE: I have jokes, but I'm going to withhold them.

MS. CEPERO: Wise.

CHAIR VITALE: Go ahead, Colin.

DR. POLSKY: Just to follow up on that conversation, that at the center I direct, we just over -- took over the operation of the website called theinvadingsea.com. And this was a project of the Sun Sentinel, Miami Herald, Palm Beach Post, WLRN over several years.

And the folks who founded it retired, and so it found a new home.

And one of the things we're doing, in addition to publishing -continuing the journalism on climate writ large in Florida is adding education
and more content. There's videos, you know, short, easily accessible. Nonpartisan.

And so we could easily produce a video where we have Dan, actually, featured, and others. But -- that was a joke.

CHAIR VITALE: I second that, by the way.

(Laughter.)

MS. CEPERO: A joke that --

CHAIR VITALE: But we -- we -- no. Dan.

DR. POLSKY: And this thought came to mind. I heard you mention there's an animated version of this. And so we could fold that in with animated and real people talking, and just get the word out in multiple languages.

So that's an offer.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: (Inaudible.)

CHAIR VITALE: Go ahead, Dan.

MR. LINDBLADE: I would be honored, by the way.

(Laughter.)

MR. LINDBLADE: But do we have this in other languages? How many?

MS. CASSINI: So every year, we translate our annual report into the other three most spoken languages. So that would be Spanish, Creole, and Portuguese.

MR. LINDBLADE: Perfect. Thank you.

CHAIR VITALE: Hot off the presses, Dan. They're still warm, I think.

I want to echo the comments. Jack, thanks for bringing -- bringing it

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up.

You know, as everyone was commenting, it reminded me of the

comments I got from the Oversight Board members, too, which was, you

know, getting the word out and increasing PR and communications in -- in

every sense.

We have to be ready, right? There has to be things that are

interesting and thoughtful enough, that are nuggets that people can have a

little bit of sizzle when they see them.

So it can't just be we've laid, you know, 600 miles or fiber or whatever.

But that's important, too.

So when -- when ready, I think that, you know, putting the -- the foot to

the pedal, if you will, and really getting the PR out there.

Broward County has so many partners, right? I was just thinking as

people were talking, like, hey, let's get it out to the kids through Junior

Achievement, through Broward County public schools, through like -- there

are ways to dice this up into small, digestible packets, where you get a lot of

advocates all over the community talking about what's important to them.

And so I think it's really exciting. And, you know, if -- as was

mentioned by everyone here, if there's anything I can do, please let me

know.

MS. CASSINI: I just want to thank all of you for that, because the

grass roots, through the trusted voices, is the best possible way of

disseminating information.

And we also have videos that are very educational, that focus on

specific project types.

So if you're interested in hosting those videos or sharing them and

disseminating them in any way, we can provide those to you, as well, along

with our annual report.

CHAIR VITALE: Thank you.

Monica?

MS. CEPERO: Yeah, and, Gretchen, why don't we just go ahead and

assume and send all of that to all of the members of the Appointing Authority,

because I think we've heard overwhelmingly that they're all willing and

interested in helping.

So we'll get those out to you guys.

CHAIR VITALE: Any other comments or discussion on the topic?

Would somebody be able to give a 30-second update on the PREMO

plan to this group, just in case -- not necessarily the details of it but high level

what's happening?

MS. CEPERO: I can.

CHAIR VITALE: Okay. Just in case everyone doesn't -- is not aware.

MS. CEPERO: Yeah. So thanks for the heads up. Just kidding. Just

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kidding.

CHAIR VITALE: I could probably do it.

MS. CEPERO: So -- I'm joking. I'm joking.

So, just in case you all aren't aware, so our -- basically, it's the master

plan of our entire transportation system and the transportation departments.

You know, we each -- we have our master plans for all of our major

economic engines, airport, seaport, and the like. This is now our version of --

you know, this is now shifting into high gear now that we have a

Transportation Director.

I don't know if any or all of you have had a chance to meet our new

Transportation Director, Coree Cuff Lonergan. She's come to us from the DC

Metro area, where she has an extensive experience and background in not

just rail, but also bus operations and bus rapid transit.

And we've got the LRT, the BRT, and every other acronym in the

works, but PREMO is our master plan for the system.

It -- we are just starting to go on a road show, if you will. We're going

to have a County Commission workshop on May 23rd -- is that the right date?

May -- it's in May. It may be the 25th. That would be -- Gretchen, if you could

give me the date, that would be helpful.

So we're going to just really do that official unveiling with the County

Commission at the end of this next month.

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And we're really excited about it. And that'll also include going on a

road show to municipalities and to interested parties out in the community.

This will be -- truly, it's not that we're done, but this is really, you know,

showing what we have in our sights, how we're hoping to attack these major

initiatives that we've got in queue, how that's integrated with all of our other

economic engines, as well as our municipal partners.

It'll include everything from, you know, community shuttle to our -- our

corridors and the studies therein, and -- and rail and the future of that in this

community.

So it's -- it's an ambitious endeavor, but we're very excited to unveil it,

and we're really ripe -- the timing is ripe now.

So you'll -- you'll hear more about that. Obviously, I don't want to steal

too much of the thunder --

CHAIR VITALE: No, that's more than --

MS. CEPERO: -- because --

CHAIR VITALE: -- that's more than -- yeah.

MS. CEPERO: -- because we're really -- you know, during that

transportation workshop that we'll have at the end of the month.

Yeah, when is the date?

MS. CASSINI: So it is the 23rd.

MS. CEPERO: Okay.

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MS. CASSINI: It's at lunchtime.

MS. CEPERO: Yeah.

MS. CASSINI: But I wanted to share with this group that it will also be discussed at our Oversight Board meeting on Thursday.

So Coree will be making a presentation to talk through the high-capacity premium transit that's planned. So, as Monica mentioned, that's primarily bus rapid transit and light rail transit and commuter rail.

So that will be on the agenda right after our last action item on Thursday, if you're interested in hearing more about it before the workshop.

MS. CEPERO: Yes, you'll have a sneak preview then if you want to tune in on Thursday.

But -- so, like I said, you know, we're really excited about that. And then that'll be the official kick off publicly, so.

CHAIR VITALE: That was more detail than --

MS. CEPERO: All right.

CHAIR VITALE: -- I expected, so thank you so much.

MS. CEPERO: Yeah.

CHAIR VITALE: I just wanted really -- at a high level, wanted this group to be aware that this was around the corner --

MS. CEPERO: Yeah.

CHAIR VITALE: -- so that when you hear about it, you're not hearing

about it for the first time.

Any other questions or items for discussion for the good of the group?

Any member reports?

Seeing none -- I don't think so.

Okay. So I will entertain a motion to adjourn.

MR. SEILER: So moved.

CHAIR VITALE: By Jack. Thank you.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible.)

CHAIR VITALE: We are adjourned.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible.)

CHAIR VITALE: Thank you, everybody.

(The meeting concluded at 11:01 a.m.)