



## The California Tahoe Joint Powers Authority

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JPA Board of Directors

Regular Meeting

Thursday October 11, 2023 at 11:00am

2211 Keetak St. and Zoom

### 1. Regular Meeting- Call to Order/ Roll Call/ Pledge of Allegiance

#### A. Chairperson Allen called the meeting to order at 11:10am

#### B. Board Attendees

- Leona Allen, Chair
- John Rice, Director
- Tamara Wallace, Director
- Cristi Creegan
- Mike Cathcart, Director (Zoom)

#### Other Attendees

- Ryan Wagoner, CTESOA Executive Director
- Kayla Galvan, CTESOA
- Aimee Treutlein, CTESOA
- Steve Pevenage, LVFPD

#### Virtual Attendees

- Sue Hennike, County of El Dorado
- Nick Clair, Attorney
- Rob Merritt, Accountant

#### C. Communications from the Audience on Non-Agenda Items

None.

#### Public's chance to speak on any Non-Agenda Items



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None.

#### D. Note about California's Open Meeting Law

##### 1. Approval of the Agenda

Director Cathcart moves to approve the agenda with the following change; The TOT Funding Agreement Discussion would be moved from Item 3 to Item 7. Director Wallace seconds. No further discussion. Director Allen votes Aye, Director Rice votes Aye, Director Cathcart votes Aye, Director Wallace votes Aye, Director Creegan votes Aye. Motion carries unanimously.

##### 2. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from August 31, 2023

Director Wallace moves to approve the minutes from August 31, 2023. Director Rice seconds. No further discussion. Director Allen votes Aye, Director Rice votes Aye, Director Cathcart votes Aye, Director Wallace votes Aye, Director Creegan votes Aye. Motion carries unanimously.

##### 3. Review Year to Date Budget vs Actual

Executive Director Wagoner states that in the 22-23 fiscal year the JPA submitted for ARPA reimbursement which has not yet been received, and the Ambulance Inflation Factor (AIF) for 2024 should be announced soon. He states that the item labeled Reserve Designation is actually carried over from the prior year that was allocated for funding the Building, which may end up rolling over into the next fiscal year as well. Director Rice asks what is going into the Capital Outlay item. Executive Director Wagoner explains the JPA currently has two ambulance leases, he hopes to pay off both.

##### 4. Discussion of the Tribune Article Regarding the City of SLT Fire Station

Director Allen asks Director Creegan to speak. Director Creegan states she has brought the Staff Report that was presented at the City Council Meeting and offers to provide copies if



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anyone wishes. She states there were four options that were considered for the building construction, one option has an additional bedroom in the event ambulance personnel were brought on. She states that the building is intended to last for the next 50 to 75 years, and when considering the history of the department in regards to having an ambulance, it made sense to plan for the possibility of an ambulance being added in the future. She clarifies that Chief Drennan has no intent of taking over the JPA and neither does the City Council. She adds that based on prior miscommunications, if the City needs to be more transparent on their intentions then they will take that very seriously.

### 5. Barton IFT Agreement

Executive Director Wagoner states that this agreement would allow the JPA to take long distance IFTs outside the scope of the contract when we are able to do so. The County provided Barton with TOT funding to help solve the need for IFTs over 100 hundred miles. The County has to approve a Consent Agreement for the JPA to perform these IFTs outside of the Contract, before the agreement with Barton can be finalized. The County will still have the right to bill for each patient that is transported, but the JPA will then bill Barton \$63.00 per mile for each non-patient loaded mile, which Executive Director Wagoner feels will more than cover the expenses accrued by taking on these transports. He states that Medic 2 will primarily be taking on these extra transports and he feels confident with the agreement that it will have low impact to the local service and response. The JPA will still have the discretion to decline or delay transport as needed. He states he would like to pass on some monetary incentive to the staff that take the transports, and states that the JPA will have the ability to pass on expenses back to Barton, such as meals or lodging if necessary. Director Wallace moves to approve the Barton IFT Agreement. Director Rice seconds. No further discussion. Director Allen votes Aye, Director Rice votes Aye, Director Cathcart votes Aye, Director Wallace votes Aye, Director Creegan votes Aye. Motion carries unanimously.

### 6. DG Grenada Bid Extension Request

Director Creegan recused herself from the discussion and left the meeting at approximately 11:42am.

Executive Director Wagoner states that the contractor was held to the bid for 60 days from the time the proposal came in, which expires on Friday October 20<sup>th</sup>. He states that the County will be bringing the funding agreement to the Board of Supervisors in mid-November, so



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the JPA reached out to see if the contractor would be able to extend the timeline, which the contractor agreed to. Director Rice moves to request an extension of the bid timeline with D.G. Granada for 60 days. Director Cathcart seconds. No further discussion. Director Allen votes Aye, Director Rice votes Aye, Director Cathcart votes Aye, Director Wallace votes Aye, Director Creegan votes Aye. Motion carries unanimously.

### 7. TOT Funding Agreement with the County of El Dorado

Sue Hennike states she can bring the request for additional funding to the Board of Supervisors on November 14<sup>th</sup>. She states that she will propose that the County use their Capital Funding Designation, but also look for ways to reimburse the designation, such as if ambulance revenues come in higher in CSA 3 than budgeted, if there are opportunities in the contract where there might be savings, or potentially not passing the AIF on to the JPA for a year or two. Sue states that assuming the Board of Supervisors approves the additional funding, then the funding will be there. The CAO's office is only recommending that if there are options to reimburse the Capital Funding Designation without impact to the service, operations, or contract, that those opportunities are taken advantage of.

Attorney Nick Clair states that the agreement in its current form is a mess and he cannot advise the Board to sign it as is. He makes note of some of the items that have been discussed and rejected, and that the County has essentially given the JPA a "take it or leave it" situation. Executive Director Wagoner states that he has no other agreements to offer the Board to sign other than the original document. Sue states she agrees and does not feel that there is a final agreement for the Board to review. The Board asks Sue for a meeting with County Council, Ryan, Nick Clair and herself. Sue states she would be able to facilitate that. Executive Director Wagoner states that if an agreement needs to be signed prior to the funding request going to the Board of Supervisors, then the meeting must be no later than the first week of November. Action is tabled until an agreement is finalized.

A Special Meeting to approve the final budget for Fiscal Year 23-24 and to amend Bylaws is scheduled for Wednesday October 18, 2023 at 3:00pm.

### E. Adjournment

Chairperson Allen adjourned the meeting at 12:19pm.