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BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING

**StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA**

**Minutes of September 10, 2013 (Tuesday)
5:30 pm**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Bonrepos, RJ Corwin, Lennox Harris, Greg Jacquay, Amy Lucas, Leisser Mazariegos, Chuck Shoup

ALSO PRESENT: Carla Alviso, Mike Costa, Charles Turner (StanCOG); Kari McNickle (Commute Connection); Scott Calkins (Member of the public)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair RJ Corwin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes of 8/6/13

B. Motion to Approve Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2014

***By Motion (Lennox Harris/Steve Bonrepos)**, and a unanimous vote, the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

6. PRESENTATION

A. Rideshare Week 2013 in Stanislaus County

Kari McNickle provided information on Commute Connection, and the services it provides. She described the Rideshare program, and incentives offered during Rideshare Week, October 7th – October 11th, 2013. She also stated that all the information was available on the Commute Connection website at <http://www.commuteconnection.com>. A short discussion followed and members' questions were answered.

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Valley Vision Stanislaus Update

Mike Costa provided a brief overview of Senate Bill 375 (SB 375) and its requirements for a land use element for all future Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) updates. He gave background information on the development process and briefly explained that StanCOG, in coordination with the Valley Vision Stanislaus Steering Committee (VVS), had drafted four land use and transportation scenarios. He stated there had been public outreach to seek input on a preferred scenario, and that both Scenarios 2 and 3 were highly favored. He said Scenario 2, which was called New Trend and was most closely aligned with the General Plans of the agencies, would be recommended at the September 18th Policy Board meeting. Once the Policy Board identified a preferred scenario, the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) process would begin. It was anticipated that the draft plan would be available for a 55-day public review and comment period in late November. The completed VVS plan was expected to go before the Policy Board for adoption at their March 2014 meeting. Mike Costa also mentioned that the four scenarios and other related information was available on the VVS website at: <http://www.valleyvisionstanislaus.com>. A brief question and answer period followed.

Mike Costa briefly explained the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) process. He stated that StanCOG was working closely with the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to receive a RHNA final determination. He said that StanCOG had received a reduced draft determination of 23,150 units, which was down from the original number of over 37,000 units. He reported that StanCOG's proposed determination was 19,623 and that the hope was to get a final determination from HCD closer to that number. The final determination was to be made by September 29th and a proposed methodology would be prepared for a 60-day public review and comment period. A discussion followed; concerns were raised and questions answered.

B. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Adopt Resolution 13-03 to Update the Non-Motorized Transportation Master Plan

Mike Costa stated that the Non-Motorized Transportation Master Plan had been updated and was before the committee for their recommendation to the Policy Board. Charles Turner stated that the document had been reviewed several times and thanked members for their participation in making the Non-Motorized Transportation Master Plan excellent. He said if future changes were made within the jurisdictions, the document could be updated accordingly. Member Amy Lucas pointed out several edits in the City of Riverbank section that Mike Costa said he would change.

***By Motion (RJ Corwin/Lennox Harris)**, and a unanimous vote, the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee recommended that the Policy Board adopt Resolution 13-03 to Update the Non-Motorized Transportation Master Plan, with the noted corrections to the City of Riverbank section.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items are for information only.

A. 2013 San Joaquin Valley Fall Policy Conference

Mike Costa gave a brief overview of 2013 San Joaquin Valley Fall Policy Conference in Stockton on October 10th and 11th, and encouraged members to attend.

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Charles Turner announced his retirement from StanCOG on October 4th, and stated that his replacement on the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee may be Mike Costa.

10. MEMBER'S REPORT

Members Chuck Shoup and Lennox Harris gave details regarding upcoming bike rides and events in the Stanislaus County area. The websites www.stancobike.org and www.westvalleycentury.com were given for additional information. Member Shoup also said he spoke to Matt Machado with Stanislaus County, and was assured that the remaining Share the Road signs would be put up within the next two weeks.

Member Steve Bonrepos expressed his concerns regarding the placement of pushbutton controls on a signal for northbound cyclists on the Virginia Corridor crossing at Orangeburg. He passed out an information sheet that included photos, and said he would try to address the problem with the City of Modesto to get it corrected. He also relayed information that he had received regarding three items that were discussed at the Modesto Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair RJ Corwin adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

Next Regularly Scheduled BPAC Meeting:


October 1, 2013 (Tuesday) @ 5:30 pm

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