



**JOINT MEETING OF THE STANISLAUS COUNCIL OF
GOVERNMENTS (StanCOG) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
AND THE STANISLAUS REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Minutes of November 30, 2020 (Monday) 9:00 am

Important Notice Regarding COVID-19

In accordance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) Board Room was closed to the public, and the Stanislaus Regional Transit Authority Advisory Committee (SRTAAC) members and staff participated in this meeting via GoToMeeting. In the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing measures, members of the public were able to participate in the meeting electronically and had the right to observe and offer public comment during the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Jenny Kenoyer (City of Modesto); Bill Zoslocki (City of Modesto); Terry Withrow, Vito Chiesa (Stanislaus County)

ALSO PRESENT: Rosa Park, Karen Kincy, Elisabeth Hahn, Cindy Malekos, Melany Arriola, Sam Becker, Chris Jasper, Isael Ojeda, Josey Oshana, Edith Robles, Debbie Trujillo, (StanCOG); Phil McGuire (McGuire Management Consultancy); Joel Heiner (Interwest Consulting); Monica Streeter (Neumiller and Beardslee); Stacie Morales (MOVE); Beth Kranda (SolTrans); Rick Ramacier (County Connection); Caluha Barnes, Adam Barth, Marilyn Cole, Amber Gomes, Jody Hayes, Jason Helton, Maria Hermenegildo, Dave Leamon, Raul Mendez, Letti Ortiz, Angela Swanson, (Members of the Public)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kenoyer called the meeting to order at 9:04 am.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve the Stanislaus Regional Transit Authority Advisory Committee Minutes of 11/9/20

- **By Motion (Member Bill Zoslocki /Member Terry Withrow)**, and a unanimous roll call vote, the Stanislaus Regional Transit Authority Advisory Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. Guest JPA Expert Panel

Phil McGuire introduced three presenters to provide their perspective in working with a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) for transit services.

First Guest Speaker: Stacie Morales, the Chief Executive Officer of MOVE, provided information on the difficulties that transit riders in the Stanislaus region experience such as having to purchase multiple tickets to travel from Turlock to Modesto on the different transit systems, and missing buses when one system was delayed or there was a change in the time schedule.

Second Guest Speaker: Beth Kranda, the Executive Director of Soltrans, provided information about the Soltrans Joint Powers Authority that was established in 2011 as a result of a merger between Vallejo Transit and Benicia Breeze. She made specific mention of how much faster the JPA could make and implement decisions than when the transit services were a department of general government.

Third Guest Speaker: Rick Ramacier, General Manager of County Connection, provided information on his experience with County Connection, a JPA formed in 1980 that provides transit services in Contra Costa County. In his remarks he provided detail on the potential departure of a member jurisdiction many years before and how negotiation turned around that agency to become a continuing and strong member of the JPA. He also mentioned how liability automatically transferred from the member jurisdictions to the JPA upon formation.

Members thanked the presenters for participating in the meeting to provide remarks from each of their unique perspectives.

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. JPA Formation

- Status Update**
- Recommend by Motion Agencies Approve Revised Joint Powers Agreement**

Phil McGuire provided an update on the status of the JPA formation. He said

that he had received the County's comments on the draft JPA document but that the City of Modesto's were still pending. There was no motion made since all comments on the draft had not yet been received. The City of Modesto representatives indicated that their comments would be provided very soon.

B. Transition Plan Draft

Phil McGuire stated that in order to facilitate the process moving forward by the December 14, 2020 meeting, a subcommittee was suggested to be formed. The members from the City of Modesto and Stanislaus County agreed to submit names of staff later that day to form this committee.

C. Future Meeting Schedule: Proposed Next Meeting: December 14, 2020

There was consensus for the next meeting to be held on December 14, 2020 at 9:00 am.

7. MEMBER REPORTS - NONE

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kenoyer adjourned the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

Next Regularly-Scheduled SRTAAC Meeting:

December 14, 2020 (Monday) @ 9:00 am

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