



**Social Services Transportation Advisory Council**  
**Alliance Free Enterprise Center**  
**1020 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 102**  
**Modesto, CA**  
**August 13, 2009**  
**9:00 A.M.**

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**AGENDA**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS  
*These matters may be presented only by interested persons in the audience. Discussion is limited to five minutes, or at the discretion of the Chair.*
4. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES (7/15/09)
5. UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS UPDATE/ROUNDTABLE
  - A. Update on Unmet Transit Needs Definition
6. MOTION TO APPROVE UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS DEFINITION
7. TRANSIT MANAGERS' REPORTS
8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
9. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS
10. ADJOURNMENT

*Next regularly scheduled SSTAC meeting:*

September 10, 2009 (THURSDAY) @ 9:00 A.M.  
1111 I Street, Suite 308  
MODESTO, CA



**SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY  
COUNCIL (SSTAC) MEETING  
StanCOG Conference Room  
900 H Street, Suite D  
Modesto, California**

**Minutes of July 15, 2009**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Tom Truax (DMC Foundation); Terry Plett (DRAIL); Misty Ridenour (Howard Training Center); Margie Palomino (Area Agency on Aging); Kris Rowe (DRAIL); Sandra Williams (StanWORKS)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Fred Cavanah (City of Modesto); Doralee Boles (Stanislaus County); Kay Dunkel (City of Ceres); Janet P. Jaramillo, Joshua Swearingen (CalTrans); Bertha Burrell-Greene; Rosa Park, Debbie Molloy (StanCOG)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Truax called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

**2. ROLL CALL**

A sign-in sheet was circulated and Chairman Truax asked for introductions.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Terry Plett would like to commend the MAX bus driver that provided safety for the mother and baby of a recent drive-by shooting victim in the La Loma neighborhood. The committee would like to express their appreciation to the driver of the bus for their courageous act. Terry would like to formalize the recognition by a resolution from SSTAC thanking the individual. Rosa Park mentioned that she would bring this to the attention of Vince Harris.

**4. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF May 15, 2009 and June 11, 2009**

**\*By Motion (Margie Palomino/Misty Ridenour)** and unanimous vote, the Council approved the minutes of May 15, 2009 and June 11, 2009.

**5. MOTION TO APPROVE CHAIR/VICE CHAIR FOR FY 09/10**

Rosa Park mentioned that the Committee would need to vote on a Chair and Vice Chair of the council.

**\*By Motion (Margie Palomino)** and unanimous vote, the committee approved to re-elect Tom Truax, Chair and Terry Plett, Vice Chair of the Social Services and Transportation Advisory Council.

Rosa Park also mentioned that Margie Palomino is now an official member of the SSTAC having been approved by the Executive Committee in July. The application of Bertha Burrell-Greene will be submitted for approval at the September Executive Committee Meeting.

## **6. UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS UPDATE/ROUNDTABLE**

### **A. Discuss Unmet Transit Needs Definition**

Rosa Park mentioned that Brad Christian had made some comments to the Unmet Needs and shared his recommendations. She provided a handout with those comments and briefly went over them. She mentioned that the subgroup committee updated and added some language to the definition. Chairman Truax commented that the group is very close in finalizing the definition before it goes to the Policy Board.

Chairman Truax recommended that the Unmet Transportation Need Definition group meet again in August and completed definition for StanCOG Policy Board meeting in September.

Terry Plett asked for a group consensus requesting that some of Brad Christian's comments be added to the definition and consistency throughout the document.

Margie Palomino addressed her concerns referencing the priorities on the definition. Chairman Truax mentioned that all comments will be taken to the Subgroup meeting in August.

## **7. TRANSIT MANAGERS REPORTS**

Fred Cavanah (City of Modesto) reported that the new ride guides are on all buses and the new rates will go into effect August 15, 2009. He updated the group with recent amendments to SB715.

Janet Jaramillo (CalTrans) reported that work furloughs are taking place right now within Caltrans and will affect 3 Fridays per month.

Kay Dunkel (City of Ceres) reported that the new 32' CNG bus is up and running great on CAT Route A. They had a fare increase July 1<sup>st</sup> and revised CAT Route B so that more commercial areas are served.

Sandra Williams (CSA) mentioned that CSA had received new ride guides with rate increases and asked how the increases work for low income individuals using CSA services. All CSA clients have punch cards with old rates and would like to know if the punch cards can be turned into the city for new cards. Kay Dunkel referred her to Veronica Watson in the Finance Department so that the cards can be exchanged.

Donna Bridges (ROTA) reported that the trolley route was discontinued on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Since then Dial-A-Ride has doubled and fares have been increased. New ride guides are now available. They are looking at doing a service analysis in regards to the administrative framework and operations.

Doralee Boles (Stanislaus County) reported that there was an increase in riders by 7.2% system wide. New guides will be available August 3<sup>rd</sup> with changes. There has been some reduction in hours of services. There is a new stop on Route 40 at Crows Landing and Whitmore. Three new buses are now in operation on the fixed route.

**8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

There was no report.

**9. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Chairman Truax commented that DMC Foundation will have their new bus later this year.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Truax adjourned the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

*Next Scheduled Meeting:*

Wednesday, August 13, 2009 @ 9:00 A.M.

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