



**SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING  
STANCOG BOARD ROOM  
1111 I STREET, SUITE 308  
MODESTO, CA  
MARCH 2, 2010  
8:30 AM**

**California Brown Act Requires:**

This Agenda shall be made available upon request in alternative formats to persons with a disability, as required by the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. § 12132) and the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code § 54954.2). Persons requesting a disability related modification or accommodation in order to participate in the meeting should contact Cindy Malekos at (209) 525-4600 during regular business hours, at least twenty-four hours prior to the time of the meeting.

**Notice Regarding Non-English Speakers:**

Pursuant to California Constitution Article III, Section IV, establishing English as the official language for the State of California, and in accordance with California Code of Civil Procedures Section 185, which requires proceedings before any State Court to be in English, notice is hereby given that all proceedings before the StanCOG Policy Board shall be in English and anyone wishing to address the Board is advised to have an interpreter or give StanCOG a 48 hour notice so that StanCOG can provide an interpreter from any language not English into the English language.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Matters not on the posted agenda may be addressed by the general public at the beginning of the regular agenda and any off-agenda matters before the Committee for consideration. However, California law prohibits taking action on any matter which is not on the posted agenda unless it is determined to be an emergency by the Committee. Any member of the public wishing to address the Committee will be limited to five minutes or the discretion of the Chair.

Questions: Contact Cindy Malekos at (209) 525-4600.

**AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**  
*The public may comment on each item on the agenda as it arises.*
- 3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**
  - A. Motion to Approve SSTAC's Committee Meeting Minutes of February 2, 2010**
  - B. Next Steps Discussion for RFP—Specialized Transportation Services/CTSA**
  - C. Discussion of SSTAC Bylaws and Membership Status**
- 4. TRANSIT MANAGER'S REPORT**
- 5. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**
- 6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
- 7. ADJOURN**

*Next Regularly Scheduled SSTAC Meeting:*

**APRIL 6, 2010 (TUESDAY) @ 8:30 AM  
STANCOG BOARD ROOM  
1111 I STREET, SUITE 308  
MODESTO, CA**



City of Ceres • City of Hughson • City of Modesto • City of Newman • City of Oakdale • City of Patterson  
City of Riverbank • City of Turlock • City of Waterford • County of Stanislaus

**SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY  
COUNCIL (SSTAC) MEETING**

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

**Minutes of February 2, 2010**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tom Truax (DMC Foundation); Greg Gaudio (Alliance WorkNet); Simona Rios (Catholic Charities); Misty Ridenour (Howard Training Center); Bertha Burrell-Greene (Commission on Aging); Margie Palomino (Dept. of Aging & Veterans Services); Terry Plett (DRAIL); Sandra Williams (StanWORKS)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Brad Christian (Stanislaus County); Kay Dunkel (City of Ceres); Scott Medeiros (City of Turlock); Bill Latham ( City of Modesto); Janet Jaramillo, Joshua Swearingen (CalTrans); Vince Harris, Rosa Park, Debbie Molloy, Robin Whitehead (StanCOG)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Tom Truax called the meeting to order at 8:36 A.M.

A sign-in sheet was circulated

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No Public Comment.

**3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Motion to Approve SSTAC's Committee Meeting Minutes of 1-5-2010**

**By Motion (Misty Ridenour/Margie Palomino)**, and unanimous vote, the Council approved the minutes of 1-5-2009.

**B. Motion to Approve FY 2010/11 LTF Budget of \$90,000-\$100,000 for CTSA**

Vince Harris commented that he would like to strike the \$90,000 and he noted that the proposal is for \$100,000. Vince Harris summarized the timeline and budget for the CTSA. Once the budget of \$100,000 is approved by the Policy Board then staff can go forward with the Request for Proposal for hiring the entity for the CTSA.

Vince Harris also gave a brief overview of two agenda items for the standing committees that relates to Local Transportation Funds for fiscal years 09/10 and 10/11. Staff reports were handed out to SSTAC members regarding these two agenda items.

**By Motion (Terry Plett/Greg Gaudio)**, and unanimous vote, the Council approved the FY 2010/11 LTF Budge of \$100,000 for CTSA.

Chairman Tom Truax and Simona Rios abstained from vote.

#### **C. Discussion of FY 2010/11 Unmet Transit Needs – Second Public Hearing**

Discussion took place amongst SSTAC members regarding the second public hearing. Chairman Tom Truax clarified that the public hearing will be during the StanCOG Policy Board meeting on February 17, 2010 at 6pm and invited SSTAC members to attend. Rosa Park mentioned she would resend the survey questions to the agencies so they can bring any comments to staff before the public hearing. Rosa also offered to visit the agencies to speak about Unmet Transit Needs.

#### **4. TRANSIT MANAGER'S REPORTS**

Bill Latham (City of Modesto) reported that the city is exploring the decline in ridership and the fare issues they face. Bill also mentioned that the new buses should be up by the end of the month.

Kay Dunkel (City of Ceres) reported that there is a continued decrease in ridership. Ceres has trimmed CAT hours and continue to maintain Dial-A-Ride hours.

Brad Christian (Stanislaus County) reported that ridership is down about 6.6%, but appears to be picking up. The county continues to move forward with the Google Transit project and electronic fare boxes. Brad also mentioned that the County is working with the City of Patterson on a transfer project near the round-a-bout and hope to have completed late fall.

Joshua Swearingen (CalTrans) reported that CalTrans is out doing inspections on bus shelters on the February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> and Janet will be inspecting buses on one Sunday before the end of this month.

Scott Medeiros (City of Turlock) reported that there is a 10-12% decline in ridership on BLAST and 20-30% decline on Dial-A-Ride. Scott also mentioned that the design on the new Transit Hub is in the works and the construction of the hub will be by ARRA funds. New low floor fixed route buses should be delivered in June.

#### **5. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Greg Gaudio asked if there was a vacancy on the SSTAC Council. Greg suggested we review the by-laws and check if the SSTAC Council should have 9 members. Greg commented that there was no representation by a disabled person on the council anymore. Terry Plett suggested a gentleman by the name of George Sharpe who has already established a great relationship with Transit Operators. SSTAC members agreed to have Terry Plett approach Mr. Sharpe on the vacancy. Rosa Park will provide Terry Plett with the application. Greg Gaudio asked about member terms.

Margie Palomino announced that the Area Agency on Aging will be releasing RFP's for Senior Programs February 16, 2010.

**6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

There was no Executive Director's Report.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Truax adjourned the meeting at 9:25 A.M.

*Next Scheduled Meeting:*

Tuesday, March 2, 2010 @ 8:30 A.M.

StanCOG Board Room

1111 I Street, Suite 308

Modesto, CA

Signed   
Minutes prepared by Debbie Molloy, Administrative Technician