



**SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING  
STANCOG BOARD ROOM  
1111 I STREET, SUITE 308  
MODESTO, CA  
APRIL 6, 2010  
8:30 AM**

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**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 March 2, 2010
  - B.** Discussion on Update for Request For Proposal (RFP) – CTSA
- 4. TRANSIT MANAGER'S REPORT**
- 5. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**
- 6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
- 7. ADJOURN**

*Next Regularly Scheduled SSTAC Meeting:*

**MAY 4, 2010 (TUESDAY) @ 8:30 AM  
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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  
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**Minutes of March 2, 2010**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Greg Gaudio (Alliance WorkNet); Misty Ridenour (Howard Training Center); Bertha Burrell-Greene (Commission on Aging); Terry Plett (DRAIL)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Brad Christian (Stanislaus County); Kay Dunkel (City of Ceres); Scott Medeiros (City of Turlock); Fred Cavanah, Bill Latham ( City of Modesto); Donna Bridges (City of Riverbank); Janet Jaramillo, Barbara Hempstead (Caltrans); Rosa Park (StanCOG)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Terry Plett called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30am. Sign in sheet was circulated and introductions took place. Barbara Hempstead of Caltrans introduced herself as the new representative to the StanCOG meetings.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Motion to Approve SSTAC’s Committee Meeting Minutes of February 2, 2010**

Kay Dunkel requested a change to the City of Ceres report. Kay mentioned that Ceres is considering trimming CAT hours and not Ceres has trimmed CAT hours.

**By Motion (Greg Gaudio/Bertha Burrell-Greene),** and unanimous vote, the Council approved the minutes of 2-2-2010.

**B. Next Steps Discussion for RFP – Specialized Transportation Services/CTSA**

Rosa Park reported that the Policy Board approved the \$100,000 budget for the CTSA at the February Policy Board meeting. Staff will now move forward with developing an RFP to implement a CTSA that will oversee the specialized door-through-door service. A subcommittee has been formed to work on the Scope of Work and the preparation of the proposal.

### **C. Discussion of SSTAC Bylaws and Membership Status**

Greg Gaudio briefly discussed that there was an opening within the council. He mentioned that George Sharp will fill the vacancy. Terry Plett formally introduced George Sharp who will fill the need for consumers and persons with disabilities. Fred Cavanah commented that George has done a wonderful job in working with the City of Modesto. Terry Plett mentioned the process is to now take this nomination to the Executive Committee for approval and formal appointment.

**By Motion (Greg Gaudio/Bertha Burrell-Greene)**, and unanimous vote, the Council approved the nomination of George Sharp to the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council.

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

Fred Cavanah (City of Modesto) reported that the city continues to battle with reduction in ridership which places revenue down about 15% this current fiscal year. The new 40' buses are now on the streets. The city is looking at a project and hoping to go out to bid once the city receives its PTMISEA money. The project involves refurbishing the interior and exterior the existing twelve 1998 buses in fleet and store in reserve. The city recently finished their first improvement to an unimproved bus stop at the intersection of Tuscan and Livermore. The city has \$500,000 to go around the city's unimproved bus stops and make improvements.

Brad Christian (Stanislaus County) reported that the county is setting up the initial meeting for Google Transit. Brad said they are hoping for the system to be up and running in May 2010. Once the system is up and running the County will demonstrate how it works at events and also send out a press release. Brad also mentioned another free software program that is available called Google Translate. This software can be placed on the website and an individual can select their language to be able to read the website. Brad commented that ridership is down about 6.6% due to the economy. County budget looks as though they may encounter furloughs beginning July 1, 2010.

Kay Dunkel (City of Ceres) reported that for the month of January, the Ceres Dial A Ride ridership was up a little. CAT ridership was down and overall the ridership is lower than last year. Ceres is still working with Storer on ways to cut costs which will be reflected on the new transit claim.

Donna Bridges (ROTA) reported that transitioning is taking place with dispatching from Riverbank into Modesto and then Riverbank will dissolve the cost. Two buses have been sent to the auction. Donna thanked Barbara Hempstead of Caltrans for her assistance on getting the two trolleys transferred into Amador County and they have made an offer on the third trolley. Donna commented that they are hoping to make their 10% fare box revenue ratio in the next year based on their budget cuts. ROTA is working on a marketing project with a developer of the Crossroads shopping center in Riverbank. ROTA is asking him to underwrite the costs of their trolley so that it could be placed back out on a fixed route.

Scott Medeiros (City of Turlock) reported that the city is working on their routes and schedules. The schedules will now be 40 minute runs instead of 35 minutes so there will be new service out by Costco and more downtown and in the hospital area. He mentioned that with the new scheduling the last run would be cut which will help in getting close to the fare

box. The city is now rebuilding the engines on the three Orion buses. One bus had problems with the pistons and therefore was consuming a lot of oil so the city's operations department decided to look at three buses before all fail. One has been completed and back on route and the other two are almost complete. The city is now entering negotiations on the property for the new Transit Hub which is hoping to be constructed and open next summer.

Janet Jaramillo (Caltrans) reported that Caltrans finished inspections on bus shelters. She mentioned that other than graffiti, all were kept well. Next will be inspections on buses at Storer.

**5. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Brad Christian mentioned the Health and Information Fair that will be held Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup> in Patterson at the New Hammond Senior Center. Also there will be various events held in Riverbank. Donna Bridges mentioned there will be a Senior Information Awareness Day in Oakdale on Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup>.

Fred Cavanah mentioned that it might be of interest for all to watch what the State Legislature is doing with the Sales Tax for Gas Tax Law and gave a brief overview.

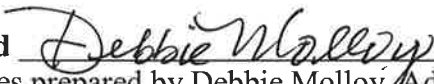
**6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT-None**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Terry Plett adjourned the meeting.

**Next Scheduled Meeting:**

Tuesday, April 4, 2010 @ 8:30 A.M.  
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Signed  \_\_\_\_\_  
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