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**SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (SSTAC) MEETING
StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA**

**Minutes of June 4, 2013 (Tuesday)
8:30 am**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Fred Cavanah (City of Modesto); Jenny Kenoyer (Senior Advocacy); Monica Ramos (Catholic Charities); George Sharp (DRAIL)

ALSO PRESENT: Stacie Morales (Stanislaus County); Kay Dunkel (City of Ceres); Salome Garcia (CTSA); Dan Leavitt (San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission); Carlos Yamzon, Rosa Park, Mike Costa, Debbie Trujillo, Arthur Chen, Jaylen French, Charles Turner, Vince Canales, Robin Whitehead (StanCOG)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair George Sharp called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

4. PRESENTATION

A. Altamont Commuter Express – Dan Leavitt of San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission

Dan Leavitt presented information for members regarding the Altamont Commuter Express (ACE) and plans for future extension of service to Modesto and Merced.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve SSTAC Minutes of 4-30-13

***By Motion (Fred Cavanah/Jenny Kenoyer)**, and a unanimous vote, the Council approved the minutes of 4-30-13.

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Motion to Nominate a FY 2013/14 Chair and Vice-Chair

***By Motion (Monica Ramos/Fred Cavanah)**, and a unanimous vote, the Council elected George Sharp as Chair and Jenny Kenoyer as Vice-Chair for FY 2013/14.

B. Motion to Appoint a Member to Serve on the Valley Vision Stanislaus (VVS) Steering Committee

Jaylen French provided background information on the VVS Steering Committee and reviewed what the role of the SSTAC appointed member. He mentioned the importance of the SSTAC member and the knowledge of transit that could be brought forward to the VVS Committee. Chair George Sharp asked for nominations from the Council. Monica Ramos volunteered to be on the committee to represent SSTAC.

***By Motion (Jenny Kenoyer/Fred Cavanah)**, and a unanimous vote, the Council appointed Monica Ramos to serve on the Valley Vision Stanislaus (VVS) Steering Committee.

C. FY 2013/14 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Apportionments for Transit and Other Purposes and FY 2013/14 TDA Allocations for Transit

Vince Canales provided a brief overview of the apportionments for transit and other purposes and the TDA allocations for transit for FY 2013/14.

D. Triennial Performance Audits of StanCOG and Each Transit Operator

Vince Canales provided a brief overview of the triennial performance audits. He went over the current recommendations given by the consultants and also discussed the prior recommendations. He mentioned that of the prior recommendations, the requirement of having the transit operators provide quarterly performance data was fully implemented.

E. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Accept the 2012 Fall Transit Origin and Destination Survey Results and Report

Mike Costa reported that this was part of a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant that was received for \$100,000 which was then used to establish a contract with ETC Institute to administer an on board transit survey. The survey was used to capture ridership patterns on the four fixed route systems in Stanislaus County. Arthur Chen summarized the survey results for members. He also mentioned that the information compiled from the report would help in modeling efforts and assist the transit agencies when applying for FTA grant program funding. Mike Costa acknowledged the assistance received by the four transit operators and thanked them for their efforts. He mentioned that once it was accepted by the Policy Board, it would be available on the StanCOG website.

***By Motion (Fred Cavanah/Jenny Kenoyer)**, and a unanimous vote, the Council recommended that the Policy Board accept the 2012 Fall Transit Origin and Destination Survey Results and Report.

F. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Adopt Resolution 12-41 to Authorize the Executive Director to Execute a Contract for the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA)

Mike Costa reported that the three year contract for the CTSA was at its completion and staff was now recommending a two year extension with Paratransit, Inc. He said that the extension would allow for continued implementation of the CTSA. He summarized the tasks that were included as part of the scope of work in the last contract and briefly went over the highlights of the completed tasks.

***By Motion (Fred Cavanah/Jenny Kenoyer)**, and a unanimous vote, the Council recommended that the Policy Board Adopt by Resolution 12-41 to authorize the Executive Director to Execute a Contract for the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA).

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Non-Motorized Transportation Master Plan Update

8. TRANSIT MANAGERS/CTSA REPORT

Salome Garcia (CTSA) reported that the Volunteer Driver Program and the Travel Training Program were operating as usual. She said that the job posting for the Program Manager had been posted and the CTSA was in the process of hiring an individual.

Fred Cavanah reported that the City of Ceres, Stanislaus County and the City of Modesto were working together on a joint procurement for the City of Modesto's Dial-A-Ride contract and the full services for Stanislaus County and the City of Ceres. He said that the contract would not be effective until July 1, 2014, and it would go out to bid around September 1, 2013.

Stacie Morales reported that ridership was up 5%. She also said that Riverbank/Oakdale Dial-A-Ride was up on average about 7%. She said that the kick off meeting for the transit study had taken place. She also said that the County was finalizing the schedule for the new ridership guides that would take effect on August 5, 2013. She mentioned that riders were surveyed on the new format for their input.

Kay Dunkel reported that ridership was up somewhat on CAT and Dial-A-Ride. She mentioned that the City Council had approved some minor changes to CAT Route D and the new ride guide was being printed and would be available soon. Changes would be effective July 1, 2013 which includes a small student discount for riders on CAT.

9. CALTRANS REPORT - None

10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Carlos Yamzon reported that the FY 2013/14 Overall Work Program and Budget had been approved by the Policy Board in May. He also mentioned that George Sharp had attended the Policy Board meeting. He reiterated the importance of the SSTAC members attending the Policy Board meetings.

11. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

12. ADJOURNMENT

Chair George Sharp adjourned the meeting at 9:46 a.m.

Next Regularly Scheduled SSTAC Meeting:

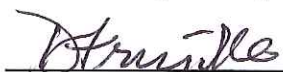
August 6, 2013 (Tuesday) @ 8:30 am

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