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

**Minutes of January 6, 2015 (Tuesday)  
10:00 am**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lillian Castigliano (COA); Melissa Molina (City of Modesto); Margie Palomino (Department of Aging and Veterans Services – Arrived during Item 5A); Monica Ramos (Catholic Charities); George Sharp (DRAIL)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Kay Dunkel (City of Ceres); Eunice Lovi, April Potter (Stanislaus County); Scott Medeiros (City of Turlock); Carlos Yamzon, Regina Valentine, Debbie Trujillo, Travis Jacobs,(StanCOG); Vernon Price, Mohamed Rashid (Members of the Public)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Lillian Castigliano called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mohamed Rashid requested that a confirmation by email system be implemented due to prior incidences of missed pickups that had been scheduled over the phone. Vernon Price requested that the buses run later on weekends for individuals that have State doctor appointments for Social Security Insurance. Both the City of Modesto and Stanislaus County representatives received contact information to follow up accordingly.

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Motion to Approve SSTAC Minutes of 12-2-14**

**\*By Motion (Melissa Molina/Monica Ramos),** and a unanimous vote, the Council approved the minutes for 12-2-14.

## **5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Adopt by Resolution the FFY 2013-15 Federal Transportation Act Section 5310 Regional Project List**

Regina Valentine provided information regarding the FTA Section 5310 grant applications. She mentioned that StanCOG received applications from private, non-profit organizations and that the applications would be submitted to Caltrans by February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**\*By Motion (George Sharp/Melissa Molina)**, and a 4-0-1 vote (with Monica Ramos abstaining), the Council recommended that the Policy Board adopt the FFY 2013-15 Federal Transportation Act Section 5310 Regional Project List.

### **B. 2016 Stanislaus County Transportation Expenditure Plan**

Carlos Yamzon provided an update to members regarding the 2016 transportation expenditure plan. He said- that the Policy Board had approved for staff to move forward with the educational outreach and provided the schedule to members.

## **6. TRANSIT MANAGERS/CTSA REPORT**

Melissa Molina provided a brief report on MAX services. She reported that seven new buses had arrived and new Dial-a-Ride buses were now in use. She mentioned that the downtown transit center bathroom project was scheduled to begin within the next 10 days.

Eunice Lovi gave a brief report on StaRT services and mentioned that the process to purchase new paratransit buses was hoped to be completed within 90 days. She also said that through a contract with Storer Transportation, there would be thirteen more new paratransit buses in use, and that the county was preparing an ADA paratransit plan.

Scott Medeiros provided a brief report on BLAST services. He mentioned that new Dial-a-Ride buses would be purchased with Prop 1B funding. He said that the design phase of the transit center was underway, and that a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a short range transit plan would be released in about a month.

Kay Dunkel gave a brief report on CAT services and updated members about two new CNG buses that had been delivered. She also reported that three new Dial-a-Ride buses had been delivered.

## **7. INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **A. Commute Connection Monthly Report – November 2014**

## **9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – None**

## **10. MEMBER REPORTS**

Member Monica Ramos said that Catholic Charities had received two vans and a third would be delivered within the next two weeks.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Lillian Castigliano adjourned the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

**Next Regularly Scheduled SSTAC Meeting:**

**February 3, 2015 (Tuesday) @ 10:00 am**

**StanCOG Board Room**

**1111 I Street, Suite 308**

**Modesto, CA**

Minutes Prepared By:

  
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