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

**Minutes of September 29, 2015 (Tuesday)  
10:00 am**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lillian Castigliano (COA); Fred Cavanah (City of Modesto); Simona Rios (Catholic Charities)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Kay Dunkel (City of Ceres); Melissa Molina (City of Modesto); Eunice Lovi (Stanislaus County); Regina Valentine, Elisabeth Hahn, Debbie Trujillo (StanCOG); Yvette Davis, Kari McNickle (Commute Connection)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chair Lillian Castigliano called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Motion to Approve SSTAC Minutes of 6-2-15**

**\*By Motion (Fred Cavanah/Lillian Castigliano)**, and unanimous vote, the Council approved the minutes of 6-2-15.

**5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Adopt by Resolution the FFY 2013-15 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Second Call for Projects Regional Project Priority List**

Regina Valentine provided an overview of the FTA Section 5310 Second Call for Projects and priority list. She briefly reviewed the three applications received from Manteca CAPS, Howard Training Center, and Paratransit, Inc., operator of the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA).

**\*By Motion (Fred Cavanah/Lillian Castigliano)**, and unanimous vote, the Council recommended that the Policy Board adopt by Resolution the FFY 2013-15 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Second Call for Projects Regional Project Priority List.

**B. FY 2016/17 Unmet Transit Needs Assessment Public Hearings**

Regina Valentine provided a brief overview of the FY 2016/17 Unmet Transit Needs Assessment process. She reviewed the public hearing schedule, mentioned that there would be four public hearings and provided those locations. She said that the final report documenting all public comments would go before the StanCOG Policy Board in March 2016.

**6. TRANSIT MANAGERS/CTSA REPORT**

Fred Cavanah provided a report on MAX services. He mentioned that the City purchased a new 45-foot commuter bus for the BART Express Route. He stated that the former BART Express Route buses were then used for the ACE Express Route. He also said that a second bus was to be added to a service route on McHenry Avenue to increase frequency.

Eunice Lovi provided a report on StaRT services. She mentioned that the communities of Grayson and Westley were added to the Patterson Dial-A-Ride area based on comments received from residents in those areas. She said that six Paratransit buses were expected the next month as well as three 40-foot buses by the end of the year. She reported that Never Boring Design had been hired to assist in a strategic marketing plan, and that a Request for Proposal (RFP) had been released for data management. She said the County had acquired a transit planning software that would provide demographic data along a route to assist in scenario planning, cost estimates, and Title VI analysis, and invited the transit operators to an orientation on the software.

Kay Dunkel provided a report on CAT services. She mentioned that a test simulator for automated fare box had been received and that a bus shelter project location list was being finalized.

Melissa Molina provided Dial-A-Ride counts for the month of August. She mentioned that on-time performance improvements were being reviewed. She also reported the Transit Center restroom project was expected to be completed at the end of October or November.

**7. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A. Bike to Work 2015 Results**

**B. Commute Connection Monthly Reports – May, June, July, and August 2015**

**C. StanCOG E-Newsletter**

**8. CALTRANS REPORT - None**

**9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT - None**

**10. MEMBER REPORTS**

Simona Rios reported that Catholic Charities had hired a Transportation Coordinator and that several new volunteer drivers were to begin that month. She said that Catholic Charities was having an open house on Friday, October 2, 2015 from 3 pm – 6 pm in their new office located at 2351 Tenaya Road, Suite D in Modesto.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Lillian Castigliano adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

***Next Regularly Scheduled SSTAC Meeting:***

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

**StanCOG Board Room**

**1111 I Street, Suite 308**

**Modesto, CA**

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