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

**FEBRUARY 2, 2016 • TUESDAY • 10:00 AM**

**STANCOG BOARD ROOM  
1111 I STREET, SUITE 308  
MODESTO, CA**

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## **AGENDA**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

### **2. ROLL CALL**

### **3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*The public may comment on each item on the agenda as it arises.*

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Motion to Approve SSTAC Minutes of 1-5-16

**5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Approve by Resolution the 2015 Stanislaus Council of Governments' Public Transit - Human Services Coordination Plan
- B. 2016/17 Unmet Transit Needs Assessment Update (*Verbal Report*)
- C. Transportation Expenditure Plan for the Stanislaus Region (*Verbal Report*)

**6. TRANSIT MANAGER/CTSA REPORTS**

**7. CALTRANS REPORT**

**8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

**9. MEMBER REPORTS**

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**March 1, 2016 (Tuesday) @ 10:00 am**

**StanCOG Board Room**

**1111 I Street, Suite 308**

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# CONSENT CALENDAR



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

**Minutes of January 5, 2016 (Tuesday)  
10:00 am**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lillian Castigliano (COA); Melissa Molina (City of Modesto); Stacie Morales (MOVE); Simona Rios (Catholic Charities – Arrived during Item 5A); George Sharp (DRAIL)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Michael Brinton (City of Ceres); Eunice Lovi (Stanislaus County); Rosa Park, Regina Valentine, Debbie Trujillo, Stephen Hanamaikai, Marcus Tucker Chandler Marks, Robin Whitehead (StanCOG)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Stacie Morales called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Motion to Approve SSTAC Minutes of 11-3-15**

**\*By Motion (Lillian Castigliano/Melissa Molina)**, and unanimous vote, the Council approved the minutes of 11-3-15.

**5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Approve by Resolution the Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan**

Regina Valentine provided an overview of the Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan. She stated that the purpose of the Plan was to bring together public transit and social service agencies to better coordinate transit transportation and identify mobility gaps for the senior, disabled, low income, and veteran communities. She highlighted the four major themes from the public outreach and went over the strategy prioritization to assist in achieving the goals of the Plan. After thorough discussion, it was determined that further information was needed, and that Regina Valentine would follow up with the consultant.

**\*By Motion (Melissa Molina/Lillian Castigliano)**, and unanimous vote, the Council tabled this item until February.

**B. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Approve by Resolution the FY 2015/16 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) Allocation**

Regina Valentine provided members with an overview of the LCTOP program and reviewed the projects submitted from the City of Modesto and Stanislaus County.

**\*By Motion (George Sharp/Melissa Molina)**, and unanimous vote, the Council recommended that the Policy Board approve by Resolution the FY 2015/16 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) Allocation.

**C. Air Resources Board Acceptance of StanCOG 2014 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy**

Rosa Park updated members regarding the Air Resources Board's (ARB) acceptance of StanCOG's 2014 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). She briefly reviewed the background of the RTP/SCS development and acceptance through ARB.

**D. Transportation Expenditure Plan for the Stanislaus Region**

Rosa Park provided members with an update regarding the potential Transportation Expenditure Plan. She briefly went over the public polling results and shared the various framework options developed by the Policy Board on how the funds could be distributed. She mentioned that the Plan would go before the Policy Board on January 20th for further review.

**6. TRANSIT MANAGERS/CTSA REPORT**

Melissa Molina provided a report on MAX and MADAR services and updated members with service changes that would begin in July 2016.

Eunice Lovi provided a report on StaRT services and went over the various changes that will be a part of their FY 2016/17 service plan update. She mentioned that the County would be implementing a pilot program for commuter service from Turlock to Patterson and then to the BART station in Dublin. She said that public meetings/open houses have been taking place to share information regarding ADA paratransit services within the County's service area. She also stated that the County had received three 40 foot buses.

Michael Brinton – No report.

Stacie Morales reported that comments for the ADA eligibility study were need by January 15th. She stated that MOVE continued to recruit volunteers for the Veterans Van Program. She commented that MOVE had been attending the Unmet Transit Needs Assessment Public Hearings. She said Modesto Junior College (MJC) would be holding a transportation session for seniors on March 1, 2016 from 1 pm to 3 pm and MOVE would be participating in a panel to discuss services available in the area.

**7. CALTRANS REPORT - None**

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

**9. MEMBER REPORTS**

Simona Rios reported that Catholic Charities was continuing to work with MOVE on their scheduling software.

Lillian Castigliano commented on the importance of reaching out to all individuals, and not just the seniors, regarding the various transportation options available in the region.

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Stacie Morales adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

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

**February 2, 2016 (Tuesday) @ 10:00 am**

**StanCOG Board Room**

**1111 I Street, Suite 308**

**Modesto, CA**

Minutes Prepared By:

  
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Debbie Trujillo, Planning Technician



# DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS



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**TO:** Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) **Staff Report**  
Motion

**THROUGH:** Rosa De León Park, Executive Director

**FROM:** Elisabeth Hahn, Senior Planner  
Regina Valentine, Associate Planner

**DATE:** January 25, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan

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### **Recommendation**

#### **By Motion:**

Recommend the Policy Board approve by Resolution the 2015 Stanislaus Council of Governments' Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan.

### **Background**

In accordance with the federal transportation legislation Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), all projects selected for funding under the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA's) Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program (Section 5310) must be derived from a locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan. In March 2008, the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) adopted a Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan (Coordinated Plan), which satisfied the requirements under the federal legislation at that time, Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). As part of the StanCOG Fiscal Year 2015/16 Overall Work Program, funding was programmed to update the Coordinated Plan in order to ensure compliance with current federal legislation.

In March 2015, Mobility Planners LLC was selected through a competitive procurement process to prepare the 2015 StanCOG Coordinated Plan. Mobility Planners developed the Coordinated Plan over a nine month period (April to December of 2015) with extensive stakeholder outreach, including interviews, focus groups, and workshops. The StanCOG Policy Board approved an Interim Report in June 2015 as required by Caltrans, the agency which administers the FTA Section 5310 Program for the State of California. This Interim Report was needed in order to obtain approval from Caltrans of all Section 5310 applications submitted this fiscal year.



## **Discussion**

Through an extensive public outreach process, the 2015 StanCOG Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan provided prioritized strategies for coordinating transportation services to meet mobility needs and gaps identified within the Stanislaus region. At the January 2016 meeting, staff presented the Draft Coordinated Plan to the SSTAC where additional information was requested by the council members.

Staff has worked with Mobility Planners LLC to ensure all comments were addressed from the council members and will present the finalized Draft Coordinated Plan on February 2nd. The 2015 StanCOG Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan will be presented to the Policy Board for approval in February 2016 following the anticipated motion.

Should you have any questions regarding this staff report, please contact Regina Valentine, at 209.525.4644 or via e-mail at [rvalentine@stancog.org](mailto:rvalentine@stancog.org).

### Attachments:

1. Draft Resolution to Approve the 2015 Stanislaus Council of Governments' Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan
2. An Electronic Copy of the Draft 2015 Stanislaus Council of Governments' Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan can be obtained on StanCOG's website, which can be accessed using the following link:

<http://www.stancog.org/pdf/2015-stancog-public-transit-human-services-coordination-plan-draft-report.pdf>

**STANISLAUS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
RESOLUTION  
APPROVING THE 2015 STANISLAUS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' PUBLIC  
TRANSIT – HUMAN SERVICES COORDINATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) is the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA), a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and designated Council of Governments for Stanislaus County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to federal transit legislation under MAP-21, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act, all projects selected for funding under the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA's) Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program must be derived from a locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan; and

WHEREAS, in March 2015 Mobility Planners LLC was selected through a competitive procurement process to prepare the 2015 StanCOG Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan (Coordinated Plan); and

WHEREAS, the development of the 2015 Coordinated Plan was initiated in April and completed December 2015, with extensive stakeholder outreach; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Policy Board approves the 2015 StanCOG Public Transit – Human Services Coordination Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director is hereby authorized and empowered to execute, in the name of the Stanislaus Council of Governments administrative modifications and file all certification of assurances, contracts or agreements, and any other documents required to implement and carry out the purposes specified in this resolution.

The foregoing Resolution was introduced at a regular meeting of the Stanislaus Council of Governments on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February 2016. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the foregoing Resolution. Motion carried and the Resolution was adopted.

MEETING DATE: February 17, 2016

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VITO CHIESA, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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ROSA DE LEÓN PARK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR