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

Minutes of January 3, 2017 (Tuesday)
9:00 am

MEMBERS PRESENT: Eunice Lovi (Stanislaus County); Stacie Morales (MOVE); Margie Palomino (Area Agency on Aging); Simona Rios (Catholic Charities – Arrived during Item 5A); George Sharp (Drail)

ALSO PRESENT: Melissa Molina, Adam Barth (City of Modesto); Wayne York (City of Turlock); April Henderson-Potter (Stanislaus County); Elisabeth Hahn, Dave Reed, Stephen Hanamaikai, Karen Kincy, Dan Stewart, Debbie Trujillo (StanCOG)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stacie Morales called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve SSTAC Minutes of 11-1-16

***By Motion (Eunice Lovi/Stacie Morales),** and unanimous vote, the Council approved the minutes of 11-1-16.

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2015-17 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5310 Call for Projects

Stephen Hanamaikai provided members with a brief overview of the FTA 5310 Program Call for Projects and reviewed the program fact sheet and timeline. He provided members with an application workshop schedule should they be interested to attend. He also stated that projects submitted in the application process must be included in the StanCOG Public Transit- Human

Services Coordination Plan. He encouraged all to coordinate with staff during the month of February prior to the March submittal date.

B. Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) Call for Projects

Stephen Hanamaikai provided members with a brief overview of LCTOP and the upcoming Call for Projects. He mentioned that the notice of funding availability and the timeline for the FY 2016/17 project cycle had not been finalized, however, he provided members with a tentative schedule. He stated that staff would provide updates regarding the schedule and distribution of funds to the transit agencies as the information becomes available.

C. Transmittal of FY 2017/18 Local Transportation Funds Estimate to the Auditor-Controller

Dave Reed provided an update to members regarding the LTF estimate and reviewed the projections for this fiscal year. He said staff was recommending an LTF estimate of \$20,900,000 for FY 2017/18.

D. Measure L Implementation Update

Dave Reed provided an update to members regarding Measure L and briefly went over the next steps for implementation of the measure. He said the tax would be effective April 1, 2017 for collection; however, the funds would not be available until approximately late July 2017. He mentioned that the oversight committee was to be established.

6. TRANSIT MANAGERS/MOVE REPORT

Eunice Lovi provided a brief report on StaRT. She mentioned that staff had been riding the new commuter service bus to receive any feedback from riders for improvement. She said that StaRT may make adjustments on the return route schedule based on input received.

Melissa Molina provided an updated ridership report on Modesto Area Dial a Ride (MADAR) for the month of November. She mentioned that staff had been working on improving the pick-up times for those that use the Dial-A-Ride service. She also reiterated the importance of the discussion regarding transportation of dialysis patients.

Adam Barth Modesto Area Express (MAX) – no report.

Wayne York provided an update on Turlock Transit and mentioned that major service changes were effective as of January 2, 2017. He said those changes included new fixed routes, operating hours, and schedules. He said staff would be reaching out to the public and riding buses to receive any input as well as holding public outreach meetings. He also reported that the City had worked on an agreement between the Associated Students Inc. (ASI) of California State University, Stanislaus (CSUS) to allow unlimited rides for students on fixed route. He said this agreement would go before the city council on January 10th and hoped that it would open up an opportunity with CSUS staff as well as other employers to initiate this type of agreement.

Stacie Morales provide a quick update on MOVE. She has mentioned that staff had not moved into the new location and would keep members updated on the progress.

7. CALTRANS REPORT - NONE

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

On behalf of Rosa Park, Dave Reed thanked everyone for their support of Measure L.

9. MEMBER REPORTS

Stacie Morales reported that three positions were available on the SSTAC and asked members for input. She provided suggestions of other agencies that may be interested in participating, and asked members to forward any suggestions to Stephen Hanamaikai.

Simona Rios reported that Catholic Charities was busy with rides in December and would provide their final numbers at a later date.

George Sharp reported that DRAIL as well as two other independent living centers now have funding through the recent passing of the State budget. He said DRAIL would be able to hire new staff for each center.

Eunice Lovi requested to discuss the transportation issues of dialysis patients at the next Transit Managers meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Stacie Morales adjourned the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

Next Regularly Scheduled SSTAC Meeting:

January 31, 2016 (Tuesday) @ 9:00 am

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