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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, 2019 (Tuesday)**  
**9:00 am**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Adam Barth (City of Modesto); Lillian Castigliano (Commission on Aging); Stacie Morales (MOVE); Simona Rios (Catholic Charities) (arrived during Item 5A); Carla Strong (Howard Training Center)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Darla Moen (Stanislaus County); Scott Medeiros (Turlock Transit); Carla Alviso, Arthur Chen, Karen Kincy, Melissa Molina, Stephanie Mora, Edith Robles (StanCOG)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Stacie Morales called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Motion to Approve Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Minutes of 4/2/19**

**\* By Motion (Member Lillian Castigliano/Member Carla Strong), and unanimous vote, the Council approved the Consent Calendar.**

**5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Adopt by Resolution the FY 2019/20 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Apportionments for Transit and Other Purposes and FY 2019/20 Allocations for Transit**

Stephanie Mora provided an overview of the Transportation Development Act (TDA) and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds allocation process. She stated it was recommended that \$16,092,617 be approved for transit claims and the remaining LTF funds of \$5,605,177 be held in reserves for future transit use. The reserve amount included \$3,157,404 for the City of Turlock's transit claim, pending submittal of its TDA audit to make it compliant with TDA requirements. A brief discussion followed and members' questions were answered.

\* **By Motion (Member Adam Barth/Member Lillian Castigliano)**, and unanimous vote, the council recommended the Policy Board adopt by Resolution the FY 2019/20 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Apportionments for Transit and Other Purposes and FY 2019/20 Allocations for Transit of \$16,092,617 for transit claims and \$5,605,177 to be held in reserves which included \$3,157,404 for the City of Turlock's transit claim.

**B. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Accept the Triennial Performance Audit of StanCOG and Certify the Completion of the Triennial Performance Audits of Each of the Four Transit Operators and Direct Staff to Submit the Completed Audits to Caltrans**

Karen Kincy provided an overview of the Triennial Performance Audit process, which was required to be conducted every three years, per the Transportation Development Act (TDA) requirements. She reviewed the audit findings and explained how they were addressed. A discussion followed and members' questions were answered.

\* **By Motion (Member Carla Strong/Member Simona Rios)**, and unanimous vote, the council recommended the Policy Board accept the Triennial Performance Audit of StanCOG and Certify the Completion of the Triennial Performance Audits of Each of the Four Transit Operators and Direct Staff to Submit the Completed Audits to Caltrans.

**C. Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Open Positions**

Edith Robles stated there were two positions open on the SSTAC. One was for a Local Social Service Provider for Persons of Limited Means and the other was for a Local Service Provider for Seniors. She asked that the members help spread the word to get the positions filled. A discussion followed and members provided input on possible agencies to contact.

**D. Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2018 and 2019 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5310 Call for Projects**

Edith Robles provided background on the intent of the 5310 program. She stated that for Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2018 and 2019 California was to receive approximately \$19 million in FTA 5310 apportionments for large urbanized areas and \$14 million for small urban and rural areas. She also reviewed the program schedule and timeline that was provided by Caltrans.

**E. Motion to Nominate FY 2019/20 Social Services Transportation Advisory Council Chair and Vice-Chair**

Karen Kincy stated per the SSTAC bylaws, it was time to elect the Council's Chair and Vice-Chair for FY 2019/20, which would be a one-year term from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

\* **By Motion (Member Carla Strong/Member Simona Rios)**, and unanimous vote, the council re-elected Stacie Morales as Chair and Lillian Castigliano as Vice-Chair for FY 2019/20.

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

Adam Barth for MAX and MADAR reported that they held successful Americans with Disabilities (ADA) meetings and thanked the SSTAC members that had attended. He stated that on July 1<sup>st</sup> there would be some route trip additions, which would include extended evening hours and a fare change so that veterans would receive the senior and disabled rate. He also discussed the Free Fare Campaign and provided an update on the new security at the Modesto Transit Center.

Darla Moen with Stanislaus Regional Transit (StaRT) reported on the free fixed route rides that were being offered in the months of June and July. She provided flyers, showed a short commercial that they were using for social media and streaming, and reviewed other means of advertising to the public.

Scott Medeiros with Turlock Transit reported on the free rides that they were providing for the month of July which would include free rides with extended hours for the Stanislaus County Fair. He also reported about new mobile apps that were being evaluated and are hoping to have them in service soon.

Stacie Morales with MOVE reported they were in the process of working with McGuire Management Consultancy on the Demand Study and Business Plan, and would be taking the draft study to the MOVE board at their June 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. She also provided information on their part in the Valley Flex Project.

## **7. CALTRANS REPORT - None**

## **8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Edith Robles reported that StanCOG Executive Director, Rosa Park met with Matt Cranford, the CEO of the Stanislaus County Fair, regarding a partnership with local transit to advertise the free rides to the fair.

## **9. MEMBER REPORTS**

Simona Rios with Catholic Charities provided information regarding their Ombudsman Training Program. She also reported they hired Carol Bowman as their new Stanislaus Elder Abuse Prevention (SEAPA) Coordinator and provided information on an upcoming World Elder Abuse Awareness Day event at CrossPoint Community Church on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

Carla Strong with Howard Training Center reported on their Client Appreciation Day on June 13<sup>th</sup>, and highlighted one of their client success stories. She provided information on a Subminimum Wage Workshop and the problems their clients were having with living on minimum wage and keeping their benefits.

Lillian Castigliano with Commission on Aging reported that the United Samaritans had taken over the senior food delivery and reviewed the services they provide within Stanislaus County. She provided information on the Salvation Army and the activities they offer for seniors. She also provided Senior Information Line pamphlets and information on Senior Nutrition Farmers' Market coupons to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

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

***Special SSTAC Meeting Scheduled:***

**August 6, 2019 (Tuesday) @ 9:00 am**

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