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**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) MEETING
StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA**

**Minutes of November 5, 2014 (Wednesday)
6:00 pm**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Constance Anderson, Stephen Bonrepos, Elizabeth Claes, Terhesa Gamboa, Larry Lew, Jeremy Rocha

ALSO PRESENT: Carla Alviso, Jeanette Fabela, Cindy Malekos, Rosa Park, Regina Valentine, Carlos Yamzon (StanCOG); Yvette Davis, Lisa Donahue, Kari McNickle (Commute Connection)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Terhesa Gamboa called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Minutes of 8/6/14

*** By Motion (Member Elizabeth Claes/Member Jeremy Rocha)**, and a unanimous vote, the Citizens Advisory Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. Recognition of 8 Years of Service by Stephen Bonrepos on the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

Carlos Yamzon recognized Stephen Bonrepos for his years of dedicated service on the CAC. Member Bonrepos stated he had enjoyed his time on the committee, and the CAC wished him well in his future ventures. It was noted that a formal presentation would be held at the November 19th Policy Board meeting.

B. Commute Connection Annual Report

Kari McNickle presented the highlights and activities of the Commute Connection program for FY 2013/14, and reviewed what's ahead for FY 2014/15.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Unmet Transit Needs

Regina Valentine reviewed the dates for the three upcoming Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearings, with the first one at the November 19th Policy Board meeting. She stated the information is also available on the StanCOG website at: <http://www.stancog.org/unmet-transit-needs.shtm>. There was a discussion regarding StanCOG possibly having a Facebook page to provide better public outreach.

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Motion to Recommend Policy Board Approve Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2015

Cindy Malekos stated that the Citizens Advisory Committee was scheduled to meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm, as in previous years.

* **By Motion (Member Constance Anderson/Elizabeth Claes)**, and a unanimous vote, the Citizens Advisory Committee recommended that the Policy Board approve the meeting schedule for calendar year 2015.

B. Methodology for the Distribution of the Remaining Balance of Regional Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Funds for FFYs 2016/17 - 2017/18

Jeanette Fabela gave an overview of the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program. She distributed a list of projects that had requested funding in the original call for projects. She explained the methodology, and also clarified the guidelines used in the distribution of the CMAQ funds. A brief question and answer period followed.

C. Definition Review for Unmet Transit Needs

Regina Valentine provided an update on the FY 2014/15 Unmet Transit Needs Assessment, an annual process to determine if there were any unmet transit needs in the region that were reasonable to be met. She stated that every five years the definition of Unmet Transit Need was reviewed for any possible needed changes. She reviewed the changes that had been recommended by a subcommittee of the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC). A brief discussion followed and members' questions were answered.

D. Fiscal Year 2013/14 Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement and Service Enhancement Account (PTMISEA) Project Allocation

Regina Valentine reviewed the Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement and Service Enhancement Account (PTMISEA), which was created by Proposition 1B. She stated that staff had met with the four public transit operators to determine the distribution of StanCOG's FY 2013/14 Apportionment of \$5,514,771. Through the collaborative effort, and consensus among the transit operators, a Project Allocation List would be established. The list would go before the Policy Board for approval at their November 19th meeting. Members' questions were answered.

E. Call for Projects for Fiscal Years 2013-15 FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program Grant Funds

Regina Valentine reviewed the FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program. She stated that on October 1st, Caltrans released a call for projects, and a workshop was held at the StanCOG office on October 30th, to help agencies with the application process. StanCOG was responsible for scoring applications and completing a prioritized project list for Stanislaus County. Applications were due to StanCOG by 5:00 pm on Monday, December 1st.

F. State Route 132 West Freeway/Expressway Project Update

Carlos Yamzon stated that the administrative draft of the Environmental Impact Report had been submitted to Caltrans. He reviewed the timeline for the release of the final document for public review and comment period in the spring of 2015. He also stated there would be enhanced public outreach with community groups. Chair Terhesa Gamboa stated she would be willing to help organize a meeting in her neighborhood.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were provided for information only

A. Commute Connection Monthly Reports-August and September 2014

B. StanCOG E-Newsletter

C. Policy Board Minutes of 8/20/14

D. Management and Finance Committee Minutes of 8/6/14

E. Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Minutes of 8/5/14

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Carlos Yamzon reported that there were discussions at the Air Resources Board (ARB) meeting, where he recently testified, regarding revisiting the setting of new targets for the region.

10. MEMBER REPORTS - None

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Terhesa Gamboa adjourned the meeting at 7:12 pm.

Next Regularly Scheduled Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting:

December 3, 2014 (Wednesday) @ 6:00 pm

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