

**SPECIAL MEETING
VALLEY VISION STANISLAUS STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA**

**Minutes July 20, 2017 (Thursday)
10:30 am**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kristen Doud (Stanislaus County); Tom Westbrook (City of Ceres); Jaylen French (City of Hughson); Patrick Kelly (City of Modesto); Stephanie Ocasio (City of Newman); Donna Kenney (City of Riverbank); Debbie Whitmore (City of Turlock); Richard O'Brien (Policy Board Representative); Edgar Garibay (Environmental Justice Representative)

ALSO PRESENT: Rosa De León Park, Elisabeth Hahn, Stephen Hanamaikai, Isael Ojeda, Debbie Trujillo, Steve VanDenburgh (StanCOG); Jim Damkowitch (Kimley Horn & Associates, Inc); Chelsey Payne (Mintier Harnish); Justin Adams (Encina Advisors); Matt Maddox (Rincon Consultants); Kendall Flint (Regional Government Services)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Richard O'Brien called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve VVS Minutes of 5-2-17

***By Motion (City of Turlock/City of Modesto)**, and a unanimous vote, the Committee approved the minutes of 5-2-17.

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. 2018 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) Kick-Off

Elisabeth Hahn provided members with a brief update regarding the greenhouse gas (GHG) target recommendations submitted to the Air Resources Board (ARB) in December 2016. She reminded the Valley Vision Stanislaus Steering Committee that, in December, StanCOG proposed per capita GHG emission reduction targets in the range of 12 to 13 percent in 2020 and 14 to 15 percent in 2035, relative to 2005 emissions. She said that ARB requested that the San Joaquin Valley MPOs achieve more ambitious reductions. Given the variability in population size and growth across the Valley MPOs, ARB staff applied a one to two percent additional reduction to the 2035 target recommended by the MPOs. ARB released their *Proposed Update to the SB 375 Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Targets* in June 2017 recommending that StanCOG meet a per capita GHG emission reduction target of 12 percent in 2020 and 16 percent in 2035.

Elisabeth Hahn provided an overview of the purpose and intent of the RTP/SCS and then introduced Jim Damkowitch of Kimley Horn & Associates, Inc., the consultant project manager for the 2018 RTP/SCS update. He introduced the consultant team leads consisting of Chelsey Payne, Mintier Harnish; Justin Adams, Encina Advisors; Matt Maddox, Rincon Consulting; and Kendall Flint, Regional Government Services. He emphasized the importance of the upcoming individual agency meetings that had been scheduled to develop the project lists for the 2018 RTP/SCS. Kendall Flint provided members with an overview of the public outreach and coordination effort and discussed that the information regarding the public outreach process would be made available on the Valley Vision Stanislaus website at www.valleyvisionstanislaus.org.

Jim Damkowitch provided an overview of six key objectives of the Plan: 1) location efficiency; 2) reliable mobility; 3) health and safety; 4) environmental stewardship; 5) social equity; and 6) robust economy. He discussed the schedule and key milestones and informed the committee that the study team anticipated seeking input and committee action on demographic projections, goals and objectives, performance metrics and land use scenario themes at a future Valley Vision Stanislaus Steering Committee meeting. He suggested that new recommended goals could include intelligent transportation systems, autonomous vehicles, reliability in congestion, and project delivery and that specific language would be brought forth at a later date. He also mentioned there would be updates to freight movement per federal guidelines and consideration of electrification infrastructure for charging.

There was discussion amongst the Valley Vision Stanislaus Committee members and staff regarding the 2014 Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA), land use scenarios, social equity, project lists and the RTP timeline.

When asked about the schedule for completion, Jim Damkowitch stated that he anticipated that the draft plan would be completed by February 2018 and the final plan would be adopted by summer 2018.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT - None
7. MEMBER REPORTS - None
8. ADJOURNMENT
Chair O'Brien adjourned the meeting at 11:16 a.m.

Next Regularly Scheduled VVS Meeting:

August 1, 2017 (Tuesday) @ 1:00 p.m.

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Minutes Prepared By:



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