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

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Axtell, Stephen Bonrepos, Elizabeth Claes, Chris Esther, Terhesa Gamboa, Jeremy Rocha

ALSO PRESENT: Carla Alviso, Vince Canales, Mike Costa, Cindy Malekos, Rosa Park, (StanCOG)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Chris Esther called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Minutes of 2/5/14

* **By Motion (Member Bill Axtell/Member Steve Bonrepos)**, and a unanimous vote, the Citizens Advisory Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

5. PRESENTATION

A. Recognition of Service by Bill Axtell on the Citizens Advisory Committee

Cindy Malekos thanked Member Axtell for his eight years of service on the Citizens Advisory Committee representing the City of Riverbank. She said that there would be a formal presentation at the March 19th Policy Board meeting, and encouraged the CAC members to attend. Member Axtell stated that the eight years had gone by quickly and that he had enjoyed his time on the committee.

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Valley Vision Stanislaus Plan Development and Schedule Update

Jaylen French provided a brief update on the closing stages of the Valley Vision Stanislaus Plan (VVS). He stated that staff was currently preparing the Draft VVS plan documents that were scheduled to be released on March 17th for a 55-day public review and comment period, which would end on May 12th. He went over the tentative dates for the three Informational Meetings/Public Hearings. Once the public review and comment period was complete the item would go before the Policy Board for adoption at their June 18th meeting. A brief discussion followed.

B. Cooperative Funding Agreement and Release of Request for Proposal for a Feasibility Study for the South County Corridor

Jaylen French explained that StanCOG, in cooperation with Stanislaus County and the Cities of Turlock, Patterson and Newman, would seek a consultant to prepare a Feasibility Study for the South County Corridor. He stated StanCOG would provide \$200,000 and the four member agencies would provide the remaining \$150,000. StanCOG would administer the executed contract, oversee the consultant, and remain in close coordination with the four local agencies throughout the process. There was a brief discussion and members' questions were answered.

C. FY 2014/15 Unmet Transit Needs Identification and Analysis Report and Finding

Mike Costa gave an overview of the Unmet Transit Needs Assessment which was conducted annually. He stated that this year there was extensive outreach including several presentations and five public hearings, to gather public comments regarding potential unmet transit needs in the Stanislaus region. He said 24 comments were received during this year's assessment, in which two fit the definition of an unmet transit need. The two comments were analyzed and it was determined that they did not meet the definition adopted by the Policy Board as "reasonable to meet." This item would be presented to the Policy Board, for adoption at their March 19th meeting. A brief discussion followed and Member Bonrepos suggested notifying the public libraries and online bill paying sites in the future. Cindy Malekos noted that as part of StanCOG's public outreach efforts, StanCOG provides a Policy Board agenda packet to the 13 public libraries in Stanislaus County, which included information about the Unmet Needs Process.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were provided for information only.

A. Policy Board Minutes of 1/15/14

B. Executive Committee Minutes of 1/6/14

C. Management and Finance Committee Minutes of 1/8/14

D. Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Minutes of 1/7/14

E. Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes of 10/1/13

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

On behalf of Carlos Yamzon, Vince Canales provided an update on the Transportation Expenditure Plan. He stated presentations were being made to all of the City Councils and the Board of Supervisors, seeking for a Resolution of Support from each one. He stated that so far, the councils had been supportive with condition of support from the City of Ceres. He said that a consultant, EMC Research had been hired to do a telephone public opinion poll. The poll results would be presented to the Policy Board at their March 19th meeting, and they would determine whether to have the Transportation Expenditure Plan on the November 2014 ballot. There was a brief discussion.

9. MEMBER REPORTS - None

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Chris Esther adjourned the meeting at 6:26 pm.

Next Regularly Scheduled Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting:

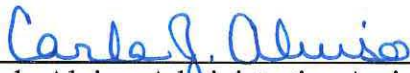
April 2, 2014 (Wednesday) @ 6:00 pm

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