



**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) MEETING
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

**Minutes of November 3, 2021 (Wednesday)
6:00 pm**

Important Notice Regarding COVID 19

In accordance with Assembly Bill (AB) 361, the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) Board Room was closed, and the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) members and staff participated in this meeting via GoToMeeting. In the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing measures, members of the public were provided the opportunity to participate in the meeting electronically and had the right to observe and offer public comment during the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lee Adams, John Dinan, Zach Keller, Lana Moore, Sue Stevens

ALSO PRESENT: Melany Arriola, Sam Becker, Emma Goldsmith, Cindy Malekos, Isael Ojeda, Josey Oshana, Edith Robles, Monica Streeter (StanCOG)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Zach Keller called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Minutes of 10/6/21

* By Motion (Member John Dinan/Member Lana Moore), and a unanimous roll call vote, the Citizens Advisory Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Motion to Recommend the Policy Board Approve by Resolution the Measure L Community Connection and Rail Services Guidance and Call for Projects for FY 2021/22

Edith Robles provided an overview of the proposed guidance that had been developed to facilitate the distribution of funds from Measure L for Community Connection and Rail Services projects. She reviewed the eligibility, scoring criteria, funding available

and a call for projects schedule.

***By Motion (Member John Dinan/Member Sue Stevens)**, and a unanimous roll call vote, the Citizens Advisory Committee recommended that the Policy Board approve by Resolution the Measure L Community Connection and Rail Services Guidance and Call for Projects for FY 2021/22.

B. Public Transit Human Services Coordinated Plan Update

Edith Robles presented an update on the Coordinated Plan, a project which had been seeking the public's input on transit services in the region. She said the next phase of public outreach included two workshops scheduled for Tuesday, December 14 from 9:00 – 11:00 am and 4:00 – 6:00 pm to review the draft report.

C. Motion to Recommend the Policy Board Adopt by Resolution the StanCOG 2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP)

Melany Arriola said that the 2022 RTIP, covering a five-year period from FY 2022/23 to FY 2026/27, was programming over \$9 million of state funding for the region, and reviewed the projects for which the funding would be programmed.

***By Motion (Member Lana Moore/Member John Dinan)**, and a unanimous roll call vote, the Citizens Advisory Committee recommended that the Policy Board adopt by Resolution the StanCOG 2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP).

D. Community Transportation Needs Assessment (CTNA) Workshops

Emma Goldsmith said that the CTNA was a project focused on identifying the needs and opportunities for transportation in two unincorporated parts of Stanislaus County—Bystrom and Empire. She announced that a virtual workshop would be held on Tuesday, November 16 focusing on Bystrom, and on Thursday, November 18th regarding Empire.

E. 2022 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) Land Use Scenarios and Community Workshops

Isael Ojeda provided a presentation on the 2022 RTP/SCS, the land use scenario planning process, and upcoming community workshops. He said the RTP was a long-range transportation plan for Stanislaus County and that it was updated every four years. He also explained that Senate Bill 375 required StanCOG to develop a SCS through transportation measures and policies within the RTP that would meet greenhouse gas emission reduction targets as set by the California Air Resources Board (CARB). He said two interactive workshops would be held on November 10 and 15th, both at 6:00 pm, to provide information and receive public input on scenario themes that would be used in the RTP/SCS planning process.

F. Measure L Strategic Plan Update

Isael Ojeda explained that the Strategic Plan, a 10-year program of planned Measure L expenditures for regional projects, was being updated. He said the delivery schedule status of projects included in the 2019 Strategic Plan would be reassessed, and that new revenue estimates would be incorporated into the update.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were provided for information only.

A. Policy Board Minutes of 9/15/21

B. Executive Committee Minutes of 9/13/21

C. Management and Finance Committee (MFC) Minutes of 8/4/21

D. Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Minutes of 6/1/21

E. Valley Vision Stanislaus (VVS) Steering Committee Minutes of 8/30/21

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Cindy Malekos, on behalf of Rosa Park, reported that the December meeting was being cancelled and wished the members a happy holiday season.

8. MEMBER REPORTS

Chair Zach Keller asked for an update on ACE service to the region at a future meeting. Member Lee Adams asked that reports be provided more in graph or chart format.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Zach Keller adjourned the meeting at 6:55 pm.

Next Regularly-Scheduled CAC Meeting:

January 5, 2022 (Wednesday) @ 6:00 pm

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