



Fresno County Rural Transit Agency

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FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY (FCRTA)

MEETING AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, March 30, 2017

TIME: 5:30pm, **AFTER** the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) Meeting

PLACE: FCOG / FCRTA Offices

Sequoia Conference Room

Fresno, CA 93721

(Corner of Tulare and Van Ness Ave. - above Club One

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AB 23 Requirement: In accordance with the Brown Act and AB23 the amount of stipend paid to members of the Board of Directors for attending this meeting of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, is \$50.00.

1. ROLL CALL

Public Presentations - This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the FCRTA Board on items within its jurisdiction but not on this Agenda.

NOTE: The public may also comment on any Agenda item, as they are presented, prior to action by the FCRTA Board.

2. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approve Executive Minutes of February 23, 2017 (Attachment)
- B. San Joaquin Regional Transit District Agreement with the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Air District), No. C-51036-A

Summary:

The Air District recently awarded FCRTA a \$3,062,593 grant to purchase four (4) forty (40) foot zero emission electric buses (Proterra) and for (4) depot chargers. FCRTA has a match requirement of \$838,312, which consists of \$335,325 cash match and \$402,987 in the form of in-kind match. The cash match is in the annual budget specifically for this project. FCRTA will be required by the grant to put the buses and depot chargers into service and provide written reports to the Air District. The grant requires an agreement between the Air District and FCRTA. The Air

District prepared a proposed Grant Agreement for FCRTA's review, which is enclosed. The FCRTA General Manager has identified certain required changes to Sections 4 (Standards of Performance), 7 (Match Fund Requirement), and 9 (Payments) of the Grant Agreement to conform FCRTA's obligations and financial commitments to those described above. FCRTA's General Manager and legal counsel will work with the Air District to make the required changes to the Grant Agreement prior to execution.

Action:

Approve and authorize General Manager to execute Grant Agreement with the Air District in the amount not to exceed \$3,062,593, subject to appropriate revisions being made to Sections 4, 7, and 9, as determined by General Manager, and approval as to legal form by legal counsel.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

A. 2018-2022 Short Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area

Summary:

The Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) for the rural Fresno County Area has been developed by the Fresno Council of Governments (Fresno COG), and updated by FCRTA in cooperation with the Cities of Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, Sanger, San Joaquin, Selma, the County of Fresno, and the Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission (FEOC). The SRTP for the Rural Fresno County Area provides a five (5) year action-oriented program to implement the Public Transportation Element of the Regional Transportation Plan (2014). The SRTP as implemented provides a basis for local governments to demonstrate that the public transportation needs within their jurisdiction have been, and may continue to be, reasonably met.

Fresno COG, acting in its capacity as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency for Fresno County is required by the Transportation Development Act to annually make findings that public transportation needs have been reasonably met before it may approve local Transportation Fund claims for street and road projects. The services and ridership data are continually monitored and evaluated to determine beneficial modifications and/or Plan amendments. Public involvement is continually sought in conjunction with the ongoing planning and implementation process. This document is a direct result of that process and is updated every two (2) years. The SRTP for the Rural Fresno County Area serves as a valuable resource document of specific information for citizens and local elected officials. The document is available for your review on the Fresno COG website: www.fresnocog.org and FCRTA website: www.ruraltransit.org effective March 27, 2017.

Action:

Staff recommends approval of the 30 day public review process starting March 27, 2017 with a proposed April 27, 2017 adoption following a public hearing.

B. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 Program Updates as required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Caltrans

Summary:

Our current Title VI program expires 6/30/2017 and to continue to be eligible for State and Federal funding, FCRTA is required to update the program. This update has been submitted to Caltrans for a preliminary review before it is sent to FTA for final review and approval. Any and all updates will be incorporated into the document during the review period before final Board

approval. The document is available for your review on the Fresno COG website: www.fresnocog.org and FCRTA website: www.ruraltransit.org effective March 27, 2017.

Action:

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4. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Items from staff.

B. Items from members.

5. ADJOURNMENT