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FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY (FCRTA) MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 7:30 PM after COG Policy Board Meeting
COG Sequoia Conference Room
2035 Tulare St., Suite 201, Fresno, CA 93721

DATE:

Thursday, November 16, 2017

TIME:

5:30 P.M., AFTER the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) Meeting

PLACE:

FCOG/FCRTA Offices

Sequoia Conference Room

Fresno, CA 93721

(Corner of Tulare and Van Ness. — above Club One

Park in Underground Garage - Entrance off Tulare & Van Ness Ave.

Exit Elevator on Tulare St., Turn Left, Enter Lobby Door,

Up Elevator to Second Floor, Left to Sequoia Conference Room

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accommodation

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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

 $\hbox{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 October 26, 2017 (Attachment)

3. **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**

A. West Park Community Transit Route Update

Summary: The route officially kicked off on 11/13/2017 after several months of outreach and planning with the residents of the community along with California Rural Legal Assistance (CRLA) representatives. This involved design of the route with respect to hours, days and times to best serve the needs of the West Park residents and maximize the availability of this new route into the City of Fresno.

Also unique to this route is a "Family Pass" that will be available to the residents in an effort to boost ridership and encourage family participation in using public transit. The family pass may be a first for public transit as we need to think outside the box to be successful in reaching potential passengers and encouraging ridership. We have not seen this type of a pass in California or the country and it may be another first for FCRTA setting the standard in rural public transit. The West Park route will operate on a demonstration basis for a period of six (6) months to determine if it meets the 10% farebox requirements to become a permanent route after 5/11/2018. Attached for your review is the West Park route map and schedule in both English and Spanish versions.

Action: Information and update to the Board.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Items from Staff
- B. Items from Members

5. ADJOURMENT



FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY (FCRTA) Executive Minutes

Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 6:40 P.M. after COG Policy Board Meeting COG Sequoia Conference Room 2035 Tulare St., Suite 201, Fresno, CA 93721

Members Attending:

Mayor Nathan Vosburg, City of Coalinga

Mayor Brady Jenkins, City of Firebaugh

Mayor David Cardenas, City of Fowler

Mayor Rhonda Armstrong, City of Kerman

Mayor Michelle Roman, City of Kingsburg

Councilmember Robert Silva, City of Mendota

Mayor Victor Lopez, City of Orange Cove

Mayor Alma Beltran, City of Parlier

Mayor Anita Betancourt, City of Reedley

Mayor Frank Gonzalez, City of Sanger

Mayor Pro Tem Amarpreet Dhaliwal, City of San Joaquin

Mayor Michael Derr, City of Selma

Moses Stites, General Manager Arthur Wille, County Counsel Jeaneen Cervantes, FCOG

Absent:

Mayor Rey Leon, City of Huron Supervisor Sal Quintero, Fresno County

QUORUM: At the start of the meeting there were 10 members present representing 100% of the population and there was a quorum to conduct business. (Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, Sanger, San Joaquin and Selma)

1. **ROLL CALL** - Meeting call to order to order at 6:41 P.M

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. **CONSENT ITEMS**

A. Approve Executive Minutes of October 26, 2017 (Attached)

A motion was made by Mayor David Cardenas (City of Fowler) and second by Mayor Victor Lopez (City of Orange Cove).

B. Agreement between FCRTA and CALSTART INC. for technical services (Handout)

Moses informed the Board about the submittal of the grant application to FCTA and that FCRTA was awarded approximately \$2.5 million dollars in funding for two (2) electric buses and two (2) solar tree chargers which are slightly larger than what the cities have now. These are fast chargers and are off the grid which are at no cost to the cities.

These two (2) solar trees chargers will be placed in the City of Coalinga and the City of Orange Cove. Moses said, he originally applied for four (4) buses but the scoring committee only awarded half (1/2) of the grant and that half the grant was for the other two (2) corridors – Coalinga to Fresno and Orange Cove to Fresno.

The agreement has been reviewed by FCRTA, Council of Governments (COG), FCTA and the legal counsel from Fresno County.

A motion was made by Mayor Victor Lopez (City of Orange Cove) and second by Mayor Frank Gonzalez (City of Sanger). A vote was called and motion carried.

3. Other Business

A. Items from Staff

Moses brought to the Board's attention several issues with a sub-contractor (FCEOC Transit) failed to pick up a 92 year old lady that was to be transported to the Kingsburg senior site and she missed her hot meal for that day. Staff is dealing with the sub-contractor on this issue and other incidents.

It is very critical that FCRTA be aware of these mishaps with any sub-contractor and we are in the process of reviewing the issues. With respect to the City of Kerman and City of San Joaquin we had a gentleman that missed his doctor's appointment with scheduled (reservation) bus service not being available by this sub-contractor on numerous occasions.

Mayor Michelle Roman (City of Kingsburg) responded to the incident of Stella. She was notified that Stella's daughter had posted the incident on Facebook. She in turn called the daughter and apologized about what happed and informed her that she could talk to Moses and that he would follow up on the incident.

Michelle thanked Moses for the great job he is doing.

Moses replied that one of the reasons for on-going problems is the shortage of drivers, and other internal staffing issues (dispatching) with this sub-contractor.

Another incident that happened in the City of Kerman was a man assaulting women on the Westside Transit Inter-City route. The City was very responsive and handled the problem quickly and without further incident when the bus stopped in Kerman on the way into Fresno.

Moses made note to commend the Kerman police department for responding to the incident without any delays.

B. Items from Members

Mayor Brady Jenkins (City of Firebaugh) would like to start having a flag salute at the start of the Board meetings.

Everyone agreed and COG will follow up.

4. ADJOURNMENT AT 6:54 P.M

A motion was made by Mayor David Cardenas (City of Fowler) and second by Mayor Michelle Roman (City of Kingsburg). A vote was called and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mosa State

Moses Stites, General Manager



Stops and Departure Times

Service Between West Park and Downtown Fresno **Monday through Friday**.

Service provided by a twenty-two (22) passenger, ADA wheelchair accessible bus.

Inter-City Transit
West Park

Departures West Park to Fresno:

West Park			
Saber's Market - Prospect & Jensen	7:30 AM	9:15 AM	10:05 AM
Fresno			
FoodMaxx Fresno & "C" Street	7:43 AM	9:28 AM	10:18 AM
Fresno			
Courthouse Park Bus Shelter A - Fresno Street	7:50 AM	9:35 AM	10:25 AM

Departures Fresno to West Park:

Fresno	Morning	
Courthouse Park Bus Shelter A - Fresno Street	9:40 AM	
Fresno		
FoodMaxx Fresno & "C" Street	9:47 AM	
West Park		
Saber's Market - Prospect & Jensen	10:00 AM	

Departures West Park to Fresno:

West Park	Afternoon			Afternoon	
Saber's Market - Prospect & Jensen	1:17 PM	4:30 PM	5:20 PM		
Fresno					
FoodMaxx Fresno & "C" Street	1:30 PM	4:43 PM	5:33 PM		
Fresno					
Courthouse Park Bus Shelter A - Fresno Street	1:37 PM	4:50 PM	5:40 PM		

Departures Fresno to West Park:

Fresno			Afternoon	
Courthouse Park Bus Shelter A - Fresno Street	12:52 PM	4:05 PM	4:55 PM	5:45 PM
Fresno				
FoodMaxx Fresno & "C" Street	12:59 PM	4:12 PM	5:02 PM	5:52 PM
West Park				
Saber's Market - Prospect & Jensen	1:12 PM	4:25 PM	5:15 PM	6:05 PM

Fares:

Category	One-Way	Round-Trip	Monthly Pass	Family Pass*
Elderly	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$24.00	\$80.00
Disabled	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$24.00	\$80.00
Children	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$24.00	\$80.00
General Public	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$48.00	\$80.00

*Family Pass is for 1 Adult & 3 Children or 2 Adults & 2 Children

Observed Holidays

No service on Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Days (Thursday and Friday), Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday, Lincoln's Birthday, President's Day, Cesar Chavez's Birthday, and Memorial Day.



Parada y horarios de salidas

Servicio entre West Park y el centro de Fresno **Lunes a Viernes**

Servicio proporcionado por un autobús de 22 pasajeros, accesible para sillas de ruedas de ADA

Tránsito de West Park

Salidas de West Park para Fresno

West Park		Mañana	
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West Park			
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Salidas de West Park para Fresno

West Park	Tarde		
Saber's Market - Prospect & Jensen	1:17 PM	5:20 PM	
Fresno			
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Tarifas:

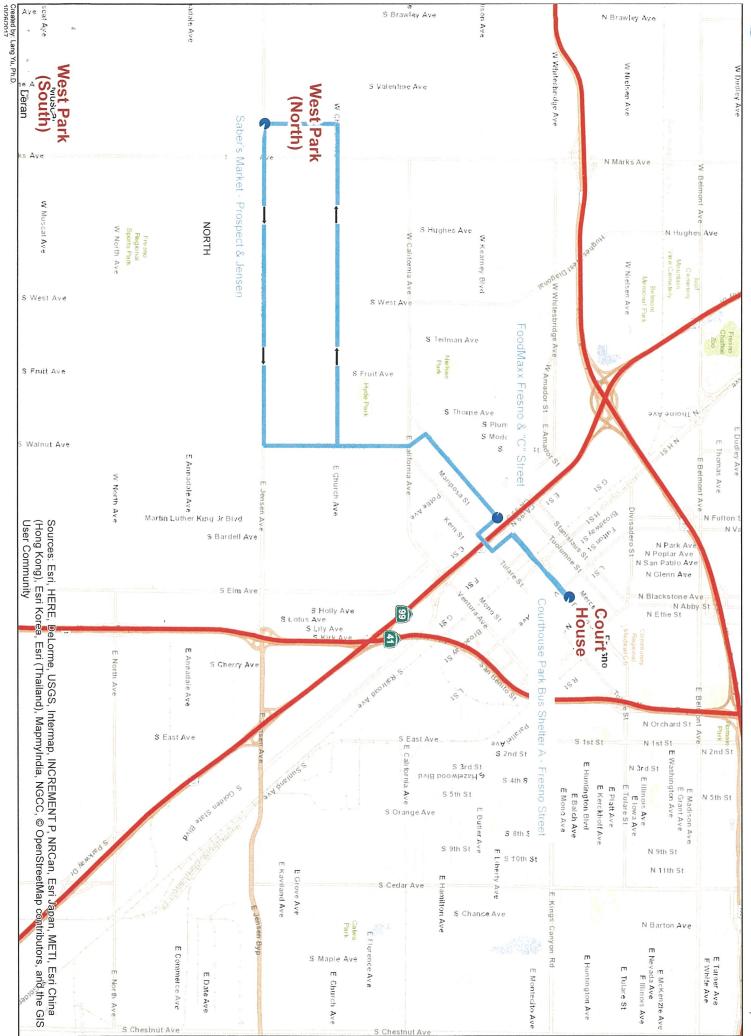
Categoría	lda	Ida y Vuelta	Pase Mensual	*Pase de familia
Mayores	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$24.00	\$80.00
Discapacitado	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$24.00	\$80.00
Niños	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$24.00	\$80.00
Publico General	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$48.00	\$80.00

*Pase de familia es para 1 adulto y 3 niños o 2 adultos y 2 niños

Días Festivos

No hay servicio: Día de Independencia, Día de Trabajo, Día de Cristóbal Colon, Día de Veteranos, Día de Acción de Gracias (Jueves y Viernes), Día de Navidad, Día de Ano Nuevo, Día de Martin Luther King, Día de Lincoln, Día del Presidente, Día de Cesar Chávez y Día de Conmemoración.







West Park Transit