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SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL **Executive Minutes**

Date: May 7, 2019

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: COG Conference Room, Second Floor

2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201

Fresno, CA 93721

Members Present:

Judy Nishi, FAX Michael Mendez, RICV

Yonas Paulos, Veterans Advocate Brian Spaunhurst, Fresno County

Bill Hyatt, CVRC Moses Stites, FCRTA

Hector Mendes, Fresno County Amy Hance, City of Clovis Monty Cox, Fresno/CTSA Robert Mesel, Fresno City

Others Attending:

Jeff Long, FAX/COG Janelle Del Campo, FCRTA Stephanie Maxwell FCOG Sarin Wakimian, Public Todd Sobrado, FAX/COG Carolina Ilic, FAX

Bethany Beruba, City of Clovis

Bill Hyatt called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. City of Clovis

City of Coalinga

City of Firebaugh

City of Fowler

City of Fresno

City of Huron

City of Kerman

City of Kingsburg

City of Mendota

City of Orange Cove

City of Parlier City of Reedley

City of San Joaquin

City of Sanger

City of Selma

County of Fresno

Public Presentations I.

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the SSTAC on the items within its jurisdiction but not on this agenda.

None.

Executive Minutes of April 16, 2019

A motion was made by Moses Stites and Seconded by Amy Hance to approve the April 16, 2019 Executive Minutes with corrections. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

III. Membership (New Member) [APPROVE]

A motion was made by Robert Mesel and seconded by Monty Cox to approve Sarin Wakimian as a member of the SSTAC. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

IV. <u>Unmet Transit Needs Findings</u>

Approve and open for 45 day public review and comment.

Todd Sobrado reported on this item.

In light of the quantity of information being distributed, Mr. Sobrado proposed scheduling another meeting for June 4, 2019 so the committee has ample time to review before approving.

Moses Stites asked the committee to read the document because the responses will be critical with regard to addressing the public comments.

Jeff Long also informed the committee to feel free to e-mail or call with questions.

V. <u>Transit Documents</u>

1. CTSA'S OPB

A. City of Clovis (Stage Line)

Amy Hance gave a report on the City of Clovis Stage Line.

B. Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission (FCEOC)

Monty Cox gave a report on the Opportunities Commission.

2. FCMA SRTP

Jeff Long reported on this item.

Mr. Long distributed Fresno Clovis Metropolitan Area Short Range Transit plan to the committee and highlighted what was in the report. This plan is updated every two years.

This report is used to guide the transit services over the course of five years.

The report is broken down into five different chapters:

- Chapter one explains the Short Range Transit plan itself.
- Chapter two explains the general overview of the transit systems.
- Chapters three and four explain the Fresno Area Express side of the system.
- Chapter five explains the City of Clovis side of the system.

Amy Hance explained that since 2012 there was a significant decrease in ridership on the fixed route and on the paratransit side. The City of Clovis philosophy for the employees of transit is that the entire city of Clovis is covered no matter what the ridership is.

There are two major projects that are taking place:

- Ms. Hance informed the committee that they are waiting for the third year
 of allocation from the LCTOP funds which are the cap and trade dollars to
 complete the funding for a redesign project.
- 2. A pilot project for electric buses is being worked on. Funding for this project was received from the Measure C New Technology grant.

3. Rural SRTP

Moses Stites gave a report on the Rural SRTP.

Janell De Compos gave informed the committee that FCRTA was awarded a grant to do a study with two parts.

- 1. Expand the rural transit service using electric vehicles, this provides service to people living outside the sphere of services of the 13 incorporated cities.
- 2. A regional expansion of the rural transit with electric vehicles.

VI. Other Member Items

Yonas Paulos shared with the committee about a meeting he was invited to for health assessment representing the veteran's community.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Todd Sobrado \sm