

SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
Executive Minutes

Date: May 30, 2023
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Place: COG Conference Room, Second Floor
2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201
Fresno, CA 93721

Members Present – Via Zoom:

Yonas Paulos, Veterans Advocate
Moses Stites, FCRTA
Amy Hance, Clovis Transit
Tomas Dulin, FCEOC
Darleen Christensen, FAX

Matthew Gillian, Fresno County - Via
Phone-In
Chenier Derrick, Fresno County – Via
Phone-In

Others Attending – Via Zoom:

Stephanie Maxwell, FCOG
Todd Sobrado, FAX/COG
Brenda Veenendaal, FCOG
Catherine Matindel, DSS

Maria Pacheco, City of Kerman
Jeff Long, FAX/COG
Janelle Del Campo, FCRTA

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

Amy Hance called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

I. Public Presentations

This portion of the meeting was reserved for persons wishing to address the SSTAC on the items within its jurisdiction but not on this agenda. Note: Prior to action by SSTAC on any item on this agenda, the public may comment on that item

II. Minutes from the May 2, 2023 Meeting

A motion was made was made by Matthew Gillian and seconded by Thomas Dulin to approve the May 2, 2023, minutes. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

III. Reappointments to SSTAC Membership (Harold Sobrado) [ACTION]

Todd Sobrado reported on this item. Some appointments were lapsing and needed to be re-appointed. These people include:

Thomas Dulin, Representatives from the Local Consolidated Transportation Agency, Fresno/Fresno County

Darlene Christiansen, Representatives from the Local Consolidated Transportation Agency, Clovis/Fresno County

A motion was made by Matthew Gillian and seconded by Thomas Dulin to approve the re-appointments of interested SSTAC members for another 2-year term. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

IV. Fresno COG Consolidated Transportation Services Agencies (CTSA) Operations, Program, and Budget (OPB), FY2023-2024

A. Clovis CTSA OPB, FY2023-2024 (Amy Hance) [ACTION]

Amy Hance reported on this item. The Clovis Consolidated Transportation Services Agency's (CTSA) Operations Program and Budget (OPB) for FY 2023-2024 for the Clovis Urban area provided an overview of how and in what manner the Clovis Consolidated Transportation Services Agency provided service over the next fiscal year. The proposed adoption was scheduled for Thursday, June 29, 2023, at the Fresno COG Policy Board meeting.

A motion was made by Chenier Derrick and seconded by Matthew Gillian to approve and forward the City of Clovis CTSA OPB for fiscal year 2023-24 to the Fresno COG Transportation Technical and Policy Advisory Committees, in addition to the Fresno COG Policy Board. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

B. FAX and FCRTA Urban and Rural CTSA OPB, FY2023-2024 (Janelle Del Campo) [ACTION]

Janelle Del Campo reported on this item. The Consolidated Transportation Services Agencies' (CTSA) Operations, Program, and Budget (OPB) for fiscal year, 2023-2024 provided an overview of how and in what manner the CTSA was providing services over the next fiscal year. The proposed adoption was scheduled for Thursday, June 29, 2023, at the Fresno COG Policy Board meeting.

A motion was made by Tomas Dulin and seconded by Darleen Christensen to approve and forward the Fresno County Urban and Rural CTSA OPB for fiscal

year 2023-2024 to the Fresno COG Transportation Technical and Policy Advisory Committees, in addition to the Fresno COG Policy Board. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

V. Transit Agency Short-Range Transit Plans (SRTPs)

A. Draft Fresno County Metropolitan Area Short-Range Transit Plan for 2024-2028 (SRTP) (Jeff Long) [ACTION]

Jeff Long reported on this item. The Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP) for the Fresno Clovis Metropolitan Area (FCMA) had been developed by the Fresno Council of Governments and updated biannually by FAX and Clovis Transit. The SRTP for the FCMA provided a five (5) year action-oriented program to implement the Public Transportation Element of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The SRTP was also consistent with the Fresno County Regional Long-Range Transit Plan (LRTP) 2019-2050.

The proposed adoption was scheduled for Thursday, June 29, 2023, at the Fresno COG Policy Board meeting. The document is available on the Fresno COG website.

A motion was made by Chenier Derrick and seconded by Matthew Gillian to approve and forward the draft FCMA SRTP for 2024-2028 to the Fresno COG Policy Advisory and Transportation Technical Committees. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

B. FCRTA Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP) (Janelle Del Campo) [ACTION]

Janelle Del Campo reported on this item. The Short-Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area (SRTP) had been developed by the Fresno Council of Governments and updated by FCRTA in cooperation with the cities of Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Sanger, San Joaquin, Selma, and the County of Fresno. The SRTP for the rural Fresno County area provided a five (5) year action-oriented program to implement the Public Transportation Element of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The SRTP was also consistent with the Fresno County Regional Long-Range Transit Plan (LRTP) 2019-2050.

The proposed adoption was scheduled for Thursday, June 29, 2023, at the Fresno COG Policy Board meeting.

A motion was made by Yonas Paulos and seconded by Thomas Dulin to approve and forward the FCRTA SRTP for 2024 through 2028 to the Fresno COG Transportation Technical and Policy Advisory Committees. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

VI. Update on the Draft FY2023-2023 Unmet Transit Needs Report (Harold Sobrado)
[DISCUSSION]

Todd Sobrado reported on this item. On April 26, 2023, the FY2023-2024 draft Unmet Transit Needs Assessment was released for public review and comment. At the last SSTAC meeting on Tuesday, May 2, 2023, the Committee approved releasing the draft report for 30-day public review and comment.

On May 12, 2023, Fresno COG provided an update to TTC, and PAC, and the Fresno COG Policy Board on the process, before taking the final Unmet Transit Needs Report before the same committees for final adoption.

This was an information item.

VII. FCOG Response to the Comments Received from Leadership Counsel regarding the Unmet Transit Needs Assessment for FY2023-2024 (Harold Sobrado) **[DISCUSSION]**

Todd Sobrado reported on this item. Fresno COG is completing another cycle of the Unmet Transit Needs process. On April 24, 2023, Fresno COG received a comment letter from Leadership Counsel regarding the FY 2023-2024 Unmet Transit Needs Assessment. Fresno COG has prepared a formal response to comments received from Leadership Counsel, that, like the letter itself, has been added to the FY 2023-2024 Unmet Transit Needs Report. The response letter is included for your reference.

This was an information item.

VIII. Other Member Items

None

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45

Respectfully submitted,
Todd Sobrado
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