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**FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY (FCRTA)
MEETING AGENDA**

DATE: Thursday, October 26, 2023
TIME: 5:30pm, **BEFORE** the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) Meeting
PLACE: FCOG / FCRTA Offices
Sequoia Conference Room
2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201
Fresno, CA 93721
*(Corner of Tulare and Van Ness Ave. - 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)*

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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.

THE FRESNO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY BOARD MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE IN PERSON AT THE FRESNO COG SEQUOIA ROOM.

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. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Approve Minutes of September 28, 2023 [ATTACHMENT]

B. Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation Grant Application [INFORMATION]

Summary: FCRTA submitted an application for the USDOT Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grants Program to conduct planning and preliminary engineering activities for a new microgrid/resiliency hub in Selma, CA. The microgrid/resiliency hub will consist of a solar carport, solar-powered electric vehicle charging stations, and battery energy storage to store the solar power generated. The proposed microgrid/resiliency hub will be critical to FCRTA's fleet electrification efforts and efforts to reduce resilience on the electrical grid. The solar equipment will capture solar energy that will be stored on-site. The microgrid/resiliency hub will be strategically located in Selma, across the street from FCRTA's maintenance facility currently under construction. The total project cost is \$500,000.

Action: Information only, the Board may provide additional direction at its discretion.

C. Caltrans Clean California Grant Application [APPROVE]

Summary: FCRTA was awarded a grant application to the Caltrans Clean CA Grant Program. The project includes the purchase and installation of twelve (12) bus shelters for a total project cost of \$200,000. The bus shelters will be located along FCRTA routes where there is currently no bus shelter or the bus shelter is in need of replacing. Locations include; Selma, Riverdale, Coalinga, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley and Caruthers. The grant application is available at the FCRTA website www.ruraltransti.org

Action: Staff recommends Board approval Caltrans Clean California Grant Application and adoption of Resolution No. 2023-19.

3. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Items from staff.

B. Items from members.

4. ADJOURNMENT

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY (FCRTA)

ITEM 2A

Minutes

Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 5:30 P.M FCRTA Meeting
COG Sequoia Conference Room
2035 Tulare St., Suite 201, Fresno, CA

Members Attending:

Mayor James Horn, City of Coalinga
Mayor Pro Tem Brandon Pursell, City of Kingsburg
Mayor Alma Beltran, City of Parlier
Mayor Scott Roberston, City of Selma
Mayor Victor Martinez, City of Mendota
Councilmember Mary Fast, City of Reedley
Mayor Julia Hernandez, City of San Joaquin
Mayor Frank Gonzalez, City of Sanger
Mayor Daniel Parra, City of Fowler
Supervisor Sal Quintero, Fresno County
Mayor Maria Pacheco, City of Kerman

Moses Stites, General Manager
Janelle Del Campo, Operations Manager
Alison Samarin, County Counsel
Denise Flores, FCOG

Absent:

Mayor Diana Guerra Silva, City of Orange Cove
Mayor Felipe Perez, City of Firebaugh
Mayor Rey Leon, City of Huron

1. **ROLL CALL** — Meeting called to order 5:30 p.m.

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2. **CONSENT ITEMS**

- A. Approve Minutes of July 27, 2023 [ATTACHMENT]
- B. State of Good Repair Application [APPROVE]
- C. Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program Grant Application [APPROVE]
- D. Caltrans Sustainable Planning Grant Award [INFORMATION]
- E. 5310 Grant Application [APPROVE]
- F. Amendment IV to the Walker Contractor Services Agreement [APPROVE]
- G. Contractor Services Agreement with Walker Consultants for ZEV Technical Assistance Project [APPROVE]
- H. Caltrans Clean California Grant Application [APPROVE]

A motion was made by Mayor Martinez (Mendota) and second by Mayor Pacheco (Kerman). A vote was called, and motion carried.

3. OTHER ITEMS

1. Items from Staff

None Reported.

2. Items from Members

None Reported.

4. ADJOURNMENT @ 5:33 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Moses Stites
General Manager

**FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
RESOLUTION # 2023-19**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT
AGENCY (FCRTA) AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS
WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE
FCRTA BUS SHELTER PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the FCRTA is eligible to receive State funding for certain transportation related work through the California Department of Transportation;

WHEREAS, a Restricted Grant Agreement is needed to be executed with the California Department of Transportation before such funds can be claimed through the Clean California Transit Grant Program;

WHEREAS, the FCRTA wishes to delegate authorization to execute these agreements and any amendments thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the FCRTA authorize the General Manager to execute all Restricted Grant Agreement and any amendments thereto with the California Department of Transportation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Manager, be authorized to make financial decisions, authorize the submittal of the application to the California Department of Transportation, and implement the bus shelter project.

AGENCY BOARD DESIGNEE: MOSES STITES, GENERAL MANAGER

Passed and approved this 26th day of October, 2023.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Signed _____
Alma Beltran, Chairperson

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Duly adopted at a meeting thereof held on the 26th day of October, 2023.

Signed _____
Moses Stites, General Manager