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SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
Executive Minutes

Date: April 23, 2024
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
Katherine Martindale, DSS

Darleen Christensen, FAX
Thomas Dulin, Fresno EOC
Bethany Berube, Clovis Transit

Others Attending – Via Zoom:

Todd Sobrado, FAX/COG
Janelle Del Compo, FCRTA
Jeff Long, FAX/COG

Lorena Medibles, Caltrans
Drew Wilson, Fax

Moses Stites 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

None

II. Executive Minutes of February 20, 2024 Meeting

A motion was made by Darleen Christensen and seconded by Yanos Paulos to approve the February 20, 2024 minutes. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

III. Review of Comments Received for the FY2024-25 Unmet Transit Needs Assessment (Sobrado)
[DISCUSSION]

Tod Sobrado reported on this item. Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) was completing the FY2024-2025 Unmet Transit Needs Assessment. Public outreach was an important part of this process. To date, FCOG had received 35 relevant comments.

Participating transit agencies, specifically, Fresno Area Express (FAX), Clovis Transit, Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA), and their respective paratransit services, in addition to the Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission (FEOC) through the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA) review the comments received and provided feedback to those comments pertaining to them. Attached, was the matrix containing:

- the comments received,
- the responsible party,
- the transit agency's response,
- the proposed determination of unmet transit need,
- if an unmet transit need, whether or not it was reasonable, or unreasonable to meet,
- and if it had been identified in prior UTN assessments.

Of the 35 comments received to date, none had been found to meet the definition of an unmet transit needs.

The final comments along with the FCOG FY2024-25 Unmet Transit Needs Assessment draft report will be brought before the SSTAC in the May 2024 meeting.

A motion was made by Darleen Christensen and seconded by Yanos Poulos to accept the report as a draft portion of the FCOG FY 2024-25 Unmet Transit Needs Assessment report. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

IV. Other Member Items

Jeff Long informed the committee that FAX just received a proposal for mobility fare payment system and will be reviewing them and that this might be a part of the system by next year.

V. Other Member Items

None

Meeting was adjourned at 2:47

Respectfully submitted,
Todd Sobrado
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