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

DATE: Thursday, June 27, 2024
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.
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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. ACTION ITEMS

A. FCRTA 2024-2025 Annual Budget [APPROVE]

Summary: The Budget has been prepared to reflect the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) 2022 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Short Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area for 2024-2028. The Budget and narrative recommends the implementation of programmed service improvements and continuation of existing services. The budget, which may require periodic amendments during the 2024-2025 fiscal year, is available on FCRTA's website ruraltransit.org.

Action: Open the public hearing, receive comments, and close the public hearing. Staff recommends Board approval of the FY 2024-25 Budget and adoption of Resolution No.2024-04.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Approve Minutes of May 30, 2024 [ATTACHMENT]

B. Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA) Operations Program & Budget FY 2024-25 [APPROVE]

Summary: The Consolidated Transportation Service Agency's (CTSA) Operations Program and Budget (OPB) for 2024-25 is available on FCRTA's website at: www.ruraltransit.org. The document is designed to provide an overview of how the CTSA will provide social service transportation throughout Fresno County over the next fiscal year. The OPB consists of an urban component and a rural component. Sole-designee for the urban CTSA is the City of Fresno/FAX and the sole-designees for the rural CTSA is the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA). For FY 2024-25 the rural LTF pass through totals \$200,000 for FCRTA to provide social service transportation including transportation to senior centers in the rural areas.

Action: Staff recommends Board approval of the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA) Operations Program & Budget FY 2024-25.

C. Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission Contractor Services Agreement [APPROVE]

Summary: In 2020, the FCOG re-designated the CTSA's in the following: FCRTA is now the sole designee for Rural Fresno County and administers the funding, activities, and transportation programs of all CTSA service providers in Rural Fresno County and the City of Fresno (FAX) is the sole designee for the Fresno Metropolitan Area and administers the funding, activities, and transportation programs of all CTSA service providers within the Fresno Metropolitan Area. Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission (FEOC) was selected as the primary provider of CTSA services. The Contractor Services Agreement with FEOC to provide the CTSA services is available at the FCRTA website www.ruraltransit.org.

Action: Staff recommends Board approval of the FEOC Contractor Services Agreement.

D. Safety and Security Service Agreements for FY 2024-25 [APPROVE]

Summary: FCRTA is continuing the Safety and Security service for passengers and drivers with this collaborative partnership that has proven beneficial and continues to be very successful for the Police Departments of all 13 member agencies and FCRTA. Our passenger incidents and 911 calls have decreased over the six (6) years since this program has been in place. Each contract has a maximum of \$10,000.00 annual payment for costs associated with providing this service of boarding buses when they are at transit stops and monitoring bus shelters. The agreement is available at the FCRTA website www.ruraltransit.org.

Action: Staff recommends Board approval and authorize General Manager to execute agreements for each City in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for FY 2024-2025.

E. Amendment V to the Walker Contractor Services Agreement [APPROVE]

Summary: The Board approved in June 2023, the extension to the Contractor Services Agreement with Walker Consultants in the amount not to exceed \$60,000. It is necessary and desirable that FCRTA extend this agreement until June 30, 2025 to continue to provide technical assistance with specific transit related EV, mobility and capital grant projects. FCRTA anticipates pursuing additional local, state and federal funding opportunities and will require the additional technical assistance. The Amendment IV to the Walker Consultants Contractor Services Agreement is available at the FCRTA website www.ruraltransit.org.

Action: Staff recommends Board approval of Amendment V to the Walker Consultants Contractor Services Agreement in the amount not to exceed \$60,000.

F. Kings Area Rural Transit Agreement for FY 2024-25 [APPROVE]

Summary: This is a regional public transit service agreement renewal with the Kings Area Rural Transit

for services from Kings County in Fresno County; Selma Kaiser, Valley Children's Clinic in Fowler, Downtown Fresno, Community Regional Center, Veterans Hospital, Fresno Kaiser and Children's Hospital. This agreement is for \$60,000 and is effective 7/01/24 to 6/30/25. The KART agreement is available at the FCRTA website www.ruraltransit.org for your review.

Action: Staff recommends Board approval and authorize General Manager to execute agreement with KART in the amount not to exceed \$60,000.

G. Amendment VIII to the Agreement for Contractor Services with MV Transportation [APPROVE]

Summary: The Board approved in September 2020 Amendment IV to the Agreement for Contractor Services with MV. This Amendment IV continued contracted services with MV Transportation for an additional 4 years (2021-2025) which was an option in the 2018 Request for Proposal (RFP). This Amendment required approval from Caltrans staff as they approved the original 2018 RFP and Contractor Services Agreement. Staff is recommending extending the contractor services agreement for the 4th year of the 4 option years. Caltrans has reviewed and approved Amendment VIII on June 12, 2024. The approval letter from Caltrans and the Amendment VIII to the Agreement for Contractor Services with MV Transportation is available at the FCRTA website www.ruraltransit.org. FCRTA will be releasing an RFP for transit services during the 2024-25 fiscal year.

Action: Staff recommends Board approval of the Amendment VIII and authorize General Manager to execute Amendment VIII to the Agreement for Contractor Services with MV Transportation.

H. Amendment V to the Agreement for Maintenance Services with City of Selma [APPROVE]

Summary: As a result of the 2018 Request for Proposals (RFP), City of Selma was awarded a three (3) year agreement to provide maintenance services to the FCRTA vehicle fleet. Staff is recommending extending the maintenance services agreement. The option to renew the contract for an additional 4 years in one year increments was included as an option in the 2018 RFP. Amendment V to the Agreement for Maintenance Services with City of Selma is available at www.ruraltransit.org.

Action: Staff recommends Board approval of the Amendment V and authorize General Manager to execute Amendment V to the Agreement for Maintenance Services with City of Selma.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Items from staff.

B. Items from members.

5. ADJOURNMENT

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY (FCRTA)

ITEM 3A

Minutes

Thursday, May 30, 2024 at 5:30 P.M FCRTA Meeting
COG Sequoia Conference Room
2035 Tulare St., Suite 201, Fresno, CA

Members Attending:

Mayor Brandon Pursell, City of Kingsburg
Mayor Alma Beltran, City of Parlier
Mayor Scott Robertson, City of Selma
Mayor Elsa Lopez, City of Firebaugh
Councilmember Mary Fast, City of Reedley
Mayor Diana Guerra Silva, City of Orange Cove
Mayor Frank Gonzalez, City of Sanger
Mayor Daniel Parra, City of Fowler
Mayor Julia Hernandez, City of San Joaquin
Mayor Rey Leon, City of Huron

Moses Stites, General Manager
Janelle Del Campo, Deputy Director
Bryan Rome, County Counsel
Denise Flores, FCOG

Absent:

Supervisor Sal Quintero, Fresno County
Mayor James Horn, City of Coalinga
Mayor Maria Pacheco, City of Kerman
Mayor Victor Martinez, City of Mendota

1. **ROLL CALL** — Meeting called to order 5:38 p.m.

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2. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Approve Minutes of April 25, 2024 [ATTACHMENT]
- B. FCRTA Fiscal Year 2024-25 Draft Budget [INFORMATION]
- C. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Application [APPROVE]
- D. Carbon Reduction Program Grant Application [APPROVE]
- E. FCRTA Microgrid Feasibility Study [ACCEPTANCE]

A motion was made by Mayor Leon (Huron) and second by Mayor Hernandez (San Joaquin). A vote was called, and motion carried.

3. OTHER ITEMS

Items from Staff: Moses Stites provided the Board with an update on the maintenance facility construction project. Moses said the construction is about 75% complete and we are waiting for PG&E to bring power to the facility.

Items from Member: None

4. ADJOURNMENT @ 5:49P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Moses Stites
General Manager