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

DATE: Thursday, July 31, 2025
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 June 26, 2025 [ATTACHMENT]

B. FCRTA Transportation Development Act (TDA) Claim [APPROVE]

Summary: FCRTA is claiming \$5,358,585 in Transportation Development Act funding in support of the FY 2025-26 operating budget and capital budget. In 2020, the FCOG re-designated the CTSA's and 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. FCRTA is claiming \$819,991 in Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 4.5 funding in support of the 2024-25 Rural Consolidated Transportation Service Agency (CTSA) budget. FCRTA pass through totals \$90,000 for FCRTA to provide social service transportation and meal delivery in the rural areas and \$728,101 of the funding to FEOC through a Contractor Services Agreement to provide CTSA social service transportation. This is in compliance with the Rural CTSA objectives.

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Action: Staff recommends Board approval of the TDA claim and adoption of Board Resolution No. 2025-10.

C. Fresno County Transportation Authority (FCTA) Measure C Allocation FY 2025-26 [APPROVE]

Summary: The estimated FCTA Measure C allocation of \$4,423,887 will be used in the FY 2025-26 FCRTA annual budget for operations and capital expenses. The Resolution 2025-12 is attached for your review (**ATTACHMENT**).

Action: Staff recommends Board approval of the FCTA claim for FY 2025-26 and adoption of Board Resolution No 2025-12.

D. Administrative Agreement Conflict Waiver for Representation of FCRTA and FCTA [APPROVE]

Summary: It has been proposed that FCRTA enter into a contract with FCTA for the FCRTA to provide administrative and technical support to the FCTA until the FCTA retains a new Executive Director. The Office of Fresno County Counsel provides legal services to FCRTA, and also represents FCTA with regard to the drafting and review of the agreement. One of the office's deputy county counsels already provides legal representation to the FCRTA in all matters, pursuant to a legal services agreement between the FCRTA and the County of Fresno, and would provide representation in this agreement negotiation as well. Another deputy county counsel provides legal services to FCTA and assists FCTA in the drafting and review of the agreement. The Office of Fresno County Counsel provides "dual representation" in this particular instance. The conflict waiver is available at the FCRTA website www.ruraltransit.org

Action: Staff recommends Board approval of the Conflict Waiver for representation of the FCRTA and FCTA regarding conflict for administration of administrative support.

E. FCTA and FCRTA Inter-Agency Agreement for Administrative Support [APPROVE]

Summary: The FCTA Executive Director has resigned as of July 7th. It has been proposed that FCRTA enter into a contract with FCTA for the FCRTA to provide administrative and technical support to the FCTA until the FCTA retains a new Executive Director. The agreement is available at the FCRTA website www.ruraltransit.org

Action: Staff recommends Board authorize the General Manager to enter into an agreement with FCTA for Administrative Support.

3. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Items from staff.

B. Items from members.

4. ADJOURNMENT

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY (FCRTA)

ITEM 2A

Minutes

Thursday, June 26, 2025 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 Freddy Valdez, City of Firebaugh
Mayor Matthew Tuttle, City of Reedley
Mayor Diana Guerra Silva, City of Orange Cove
Mayor Nathan Vosburg, City of Coalinga
Mayor Maria Pacheco, City of Kerman
Mayor Victor Martinez, City of Mendota
Mayor Juan Mejia, City of Fowler
Supervisor Garry Bredefeld, Fresno County
Mayor Rey Leon, City of Huron
Councilmember Cristina Covarrubia, City of San Joaquin

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

Absent:

Mayor Frank Gonzalez, City of Sanger

1. **ROLL CALL** — Meeting called to order 5:42 p.m.

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. Rejection of Claim [APPROVE]

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

B. FCRTA 2025-2026 Annual Budget [APPROVE]

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A motion was made by Mayor Guerra Silva (Orange Cove) and second by Mayor Martinez (Mendota). A vote was called, and motion carried.

C. Consideration to Award Contract for Transit Operations [APPROVE]

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

3. CONSENT ITEMS

About Consent Items – All items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by FCRTA staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the Board or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Board concerning the item before action is taken.

- A. Approve Minutes of May 29, 2025 [ATTACHMENT]
- B. Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA) Operations Program & Budget FY 2025-26 [APPROVE]
- C. Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission Contractor Services Agreement [APPROVE]
- D. Safety and Security Service Agreements for FY 2025-26 [APPROVE]
- E. Amendment VI to the Walker Contractor Services Agreement [APPROVE]
- F. 2026-2030 Short Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area [APPROVE]
- G. Kings Area Rural Transit Agreement for FY 2025-26 [APPROVE]
- H. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Certifications & Assurances FY 2025 [APPROVE]
- I. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Application [APPROVE]
- J. 5339 Low or No Emission Bus Program (5339(c)) Grant Application [APPROVE]
- K. Amendment VI to the Agreement for Maintenance Services with City of Selma [APPROVE]

A motion was made by Mayor Leon (Huron) and second by Mayor Pursell (Kingsburg). A vote was called, and motion carried.

4. CLOSED SESSION – Public Employee Appointment – Government Code § 54957(b); Appointment of General Manager

5. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – Nothing to Report.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Items from staff.

Nothing to report.

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B. Items from members.

Nothing to report.

7. ADJOURNMENT 6:33 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Moses Stites
General Manager

ITEM 2B

BEFORE THE
FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-10

IN THE MATTER OF:
TRANSPORTATION
DEVELOPMENT ACT OF
1971, AS AMENDED

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION
FUND AND STATE TRANSIT
ASSISTANCE FUND CLAIM
FOR FY 2025-26

WHEREAS, the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA) has been created by a Joint Powers Agreement (September 27, 1979) to provide rural public transportation services in accordance with the Regional Transportation Plan for Fresno County (adopted July 28, 2022) and the Short Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area: 2026-2030 (adopted June 26, 2025); and

WHEREAS, the FCRTA is the specified claimant for the Rural Fresno County Consolidated Transportation Services Agency as provided for in the Fresno COG's "Fresno County Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan" (adopted January, 25, 2024); and

WHEREAS, the FCRTA's Board of Directors has adopted the Operations Program and Budget for the Rural CTSA 2025-26, as the basis for its continued responsibility as the CTSA for Rural Fresno County; and

WHEREAS, the FCRTA has the power to claim Local Transportation Funds for public transportation services in behalf of its Member Agencies; and

WHEREAS, the FCRTA has prepared, reviewed, adopted (June 27, 2024) its Operating Budget for 2025-2026 totaling \$18,162,072 and its Capital Budget for 2025-26 totaling \$71,223,028.72 and

WHEREAS, the Budget is comprehensive in its approach and content, by reflecting anticipated revenues and expenditures, both capital and operating associated with FCRTA's twenty-two (22) subsystem service providers; and

WHEREAS, each Member Agency continues to approve their financial participation in FCRTA; and

WHEREAS, each Member Agency continues to reserve Local Transportation Funds for the FCRTA to claim; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of Local Transportation Funds and State Transit Assistance Funds to be claimed in support of this year's Budget is equal to \$5,358,585.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency hereby approves the attached claim as presented.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2025 - 2026 Local Transportation Fund Claim shall be submitted by the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency to the Fresno Council of Governments for review, processing, and payment.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency this 31st day of July, 2025.

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 31st day of July, 2025.

Signed: _____
Moses Stites, General Manager

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BEFORE THE
FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-12

In the Matter of:

MEASURE "C"
TRANSPORTATION
PLANNING CLAIM

RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL
MEASURE "C" FUNDING CLAIM
FOR THE FRESNO COUNTY
RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY, FY 2025-26

WHEREAS, The Fresno County Transportation Authority (Authority) is the administrator of Retail Transactions and Use Tax (1/2 cent) Funds collected pursuant to the Fresno County Transportation Improvement Act as provided by Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and Public Utilities Code Sections 14200, et seq, and

WHEREAS, the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency ("claimant") is an eligible claimant of funds for local transportation program pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Section 142257, and

WHEREAS, The Fresno County Transportation Authority has adopted a Resolution of Appointment for Fiscal Year 2025-26, reflecting an estimated revenue setting 3.99% of \$110,874,358 (or \$4,423,887) for the Regional Public Transit Program, Public Transit Agencies – FCRTA sub program funds available to claimant, and

WHEREAS, the Regional Public Transit Program, Public Transit Agencies – FCRTA are not being used to substitute for property tax funds which claimant had previously used for local transportation purposes. Such substitution of property tax funds is prohibited by California Public Utilities Code Section 142257, and

WHEREAS, claimant has segregated property tax revenues from claimant's other general fund revenues used to support the Regional Public Transit Program, Public Transit Agencies – FCRTA sub program funds so that verification of non-substitution can be proved through audit or that the non-substitution of funds shall apply to claimant's general fund, and

WHEREAS, claimant shall account for the Regional Public Transit Program, Public Transit Agencies – FCRTA sub program funds received pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 142257. Claimant shall maintain current records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and shall separately record expenditures for each type of eligible purpose. Claimant shall make such records available to the Authority for inspection or audit at any time.

WHEREAS, claimant shall complete the reporting requirements no later than November 15, 2023 for the FCRTA's Measure "C" Programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency hereby adopts the Regional Public Transit Program, Public Transit Agencies – FCRTA sub program funds Claim and authorizes the General Manager to sign the Certification and Claim Form.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency this 31st day of July, 2025.

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