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

DATE: Thursday, April 30, 2026  
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.

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**1. ROLL CALL**

**2. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

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A. **ZEV Readiness Award – Presented by Ashley Dena, California New Motor Vehicle Board (NMVB)**

3. CONSENT ITEMS

A. **Approve Minutes of March 26, 2026 [ATTACHMENT]**

B. **2026 Annual CHP-Motor Carrier Division Terminal, Vehicle and Driver Inspection Report [INFORMATION]**

**Summary:** The CHP has completed the FCRTA Annual Inspection for the Terminal, Maintenance, Vehicles and Driver's Records. The satisfactory ratings meet Local, State and Federal requirements to continue operations and remain eligible for funding allocations in FY 2026-27 as a Public Transit Agency. The Transit Operator Compliance Certificate, Controlled Substance and Alcohol Testing Program and Motor Carrier Certification are available on FCRTA's website [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org)

**Action:** Information only. The Board may provide additional direction at its discretion.

C. **Low Carbon Transit Operations Program Application [INFORMATION]**

**Summary:** FCRTA was recently notified of our annual funding allocation from the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) through Caltrans. This year, the funding allocation will be split into 2 cycles, Cycle A and Cycle B. LCTOP is requesting the Cycle A application be submitted by April 28<sup>th</sup>, and Cycle B funding will be released and due in approximately September/October. The allocation amount for Cycle A is \$392,044 and FCRTA will be submitting an application for electric vehicle purchase. Staff will return to the Board when Cycle B is released for approval of both Cycle A and Cycle B projects.

**Action:** Information only. The Board may provide additional direction at its discretion.

D. **EV Charging Master Plan and Energy Management System Plan [ACCEPTANCE]**

**Summary:** FCRTA was awarded \$199,500 from the Caltrans Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Program to conduct an EV Charging Master Plan and Energy Management System Plan. Through an RFP process, staff worked with Walker Consultants to perform this study. FCRTA is advancing a transition toward a fully electrified transit fleet to comply with California's Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) regulation and to support broader goals related to air quality, greenhouse gas reduction, and operational efficiency. As FCRTA replaces aging vehicles and expands electric bus deployment, a coordinated charging infrastructure strategy is necessary to ensure that future fleet operations remain reliable and cost-effective. This Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging and Energy Management System (EMS) Plan provides a framework for planning, sizing, and deploying the charging infrastructure needed to support that transition.

FCRTA operates transit services across a large rural geography that includes multiple incorporated cities and numerous unincorporated communities throughout Fresno County. Some routes have high mileage, and the fleet is distributed across multiple operational sites to minimize deadhead travel and maintain service coverage. These operational characteristics require a distributed charging network rather than a single centralized depot. Infrastructure planning must therefore account for site-specific conditions, charging needs associated with individual routes, and the electrical capacity available at each location. This Plan evaluates current and future fleet charging requirements, assesses electrical

infrastructure and grid capacity constraints, and identifies planning-level infrastructure costs across FCRTA's service area. The analysis also examines managed charging strategies and the role of an Energy Management System in optimizing charging schedules, reducing energy costs, and coordinating distributed energy system assets. Together, these elements provide FCRTA with a practical roadmap for implementing fleet electrification while maintaining reliable transit service. The report is available at the FCRTA website [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org)

**Action:** Staff recommends Board acceptance of the FCRTA EV Charging Master Plan and Energy Management System Plan.

#### 4. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Items from staff.

B. Items from members.

#### 5. ADJOURNMENT

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

**Wednesday, March 26, 2026**

Fresno COG Sequoia Conference Room  
2035 Tulare St., Suite 201, Fresno, CA 93721

**Members Attending:**

Mayor Freddy Valdez, City of Firebaugh  
Mayor Juan Mejia, City of Fowler  
Mayor Rey Leon, City of Huron  
Supervisor Garry Bredefeld, Fresno County  
Mayor Maria Pacheco, City of Kerman  
Mayor Pro Tem Brandon Pursell, City of Kingsburg  
Mayor Victor Martinez, City of Mendota  
Mayor Pro Tem Gilbert Garcia, City of Orange Cove  
Mayor Alma Beltran, City of Parlier  
Mayor Matthew Tuttle, City of Reedley  
Mayor Adam Cornejo, City of San Joaquin  
Mayor Scott Robertson, City of Selma

Janelle Del Campo, General Manager  
Doug Sloan, County Counsel  
Mykia Byrd, FCOG

**Absent:**

Mayor Nathan Vosburg, City of Coalinga  
Mayor Frank Gonzalez, City of Sanger

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm by Mayor Beltran (Parlier), Chair. There was a quorum with 12 members present.

**2. OFFICER ELECTIONS**

**A. FCRTA Board Chair**

- Chair Beltran called for nominations.
- Mayor Cornejo (San Joaquin) nominated Mayor Victor Martinez (Mendota).
- Mayor Victor Martinez (Mendota) was elected as Chair for the March 2026-2027 Term.

**Vote:** All in favor, no opposed.

**B. FCRTA Board Vice Chair**

- Chair Beltran called for nominations.
- Mayor Robertson (Selma) nominated Mayor Pro Tem Brandon Pursell (Kingsburg).
- Mayor Pro Tem Garcia (Orange Cove) nominated Mayor Alma Beltran (Parlier).
- A roll call vote was called.

**A JOINT POWERS AGENCY TO PROVIDE A COORDINATED TRANSIT SYSTEM FOR RURAL FRESNO COUNTY**

The Cities of: Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, Sanger, San Joaquin, Selma & Fresno County

- Mayor Pro Tem Brandon Pursell (Kingsburg) was elected as Vice Chair for the March 2026-2027 Term.

**Vote:** (10) Pursell, (2) Beltran.

### 3. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

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- NONE.

### 4. 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 February 26, 2026 [ATTACHMENT]
- B. PG&E Interconnection Agreement [APPROVE]
- C. FCRTA Microgrid Phase 2 Study Consultant Agreement [APPROVE]

**Action:**

A motion to approve consent items A-C was made by Mayor Valdez (Firebaugh) and second by Mayor Leon (Huron). A vote was called and motion carried.

### 5. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Items from Staff

- NONE

B. Items from members

- NONE

### 6. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Janelle Del Campo  
General Manager