Tuolumne County Transportation Council Technical/Citizen's Advisory Committee

October 4, 2017 Meeting Minutes

The October 4, 2017 meeting of the Tuolumne County Transportation Council (TCTC) Technical/Citizen's Advisory Committee(s) (TAC/CAC) was called to order at 3:42 p.m. by Executive Director Darin Grossi. Also in attendance were: Quincy Yaley, Assistant Deputy CRA Director sitting in for David Gonzalves, CRA Director; Tim Miller with the City of Sonora; Duke York, Deputy Director CRA Roads Division; Dore Bietz representing the Native American Community; Harry Ohls representing District 1; Bob Asquith representing District 4; Dick Southern representing District 3; Laura Shinn, Sr. Administrative Analyst; Alex Padilla, Transportation Planner and Administrative Technician, Denise Bergamaschi.

Also present at today's meeting was Betty Kibble representing Caltrans District 10.

1. Oral communication (15 minutes) to allow the public to speak on any item not on the printed agenda.

There was no Oral Communication at today's meeting.

Consent Calendar:

- 2. Approval of the September 6, 2017 Meeting Minutes.
- 3. Adopt Resolution 574-17 amending the Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Overall Work Program Budget and OWP Agreement to adjust carryover balances, reprogram funds, adjustment to allocate funding to accommodate a 10% DeMinimis to cover indirect/administrative costs; and authorize the Executive Director to execute the revised OWP Funding Agreement.
- 4. Schedule this year's Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing for December 13, 2017 at 3 p.m. and authorize staff to provide transit services free of charge to persons with no other way to access the Hearing.
- 5. Adopt Resolution 573-17 Re-authorizing the Executive Director to Sign, Submit and Execute Applications, Agreements and Related Documents to Receive Federal and State Funding.

There was No Public Comment for any item on the Consent Calendar.

CAC:

Dick Southern moved to approve all items on the Consent Calendar as presented. Harold Ohls seconded the motion.

Motion approved with a 3-0

TAC:

Tim Miller moved to approve all items on the Consent Calendar as presented. Duke York seconded the motion.

Motion approved with a 4-0 vote.

Motion approved unanimously.

Regular Agenda:

6. Review the Final Draft of the Plug-In Electric Vehicle Coordination Council Charter, Goals and Mission for Central Sierra Zero Emission Vehicle Readiness Plan.

Transportation Planner, Alex Padilla, informed Committee Members that this is part of the grant producing plan, specifically for Plug-In Electric Vehicles. He also added that a Steering Committee consisting of 5 members, one person each from Amador, Alpine, Calaveras, TCTC and Caltrans is in the process of being put together. He also informed Committee Members that the first meeting of the Coordination Council took place on September 14th and that input and recommendations for the RFP, Mission Statement and Goals were discussed.

Discussion ensued.

There was No Action as this item was for informational purposes only.

7. Review the Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure a consultant to produce the Central Sierra Zero Emission Vehicle Readiness Plan.

Transportation Planner, Alex Padilla, reminded Committee Members that the TTC was awarded a Grant to produce a ZEV Readiness Plan. He added that TCTC staff has drafted a request for proposals to help procure a consultant to help produce the Readiness Plan, which has been reviewed by the Coordination Council. He then explained the importance of the Readiness Plan to our community and how it will help us in overcoming barriers to ZEV Deployment in our region.

Discussion ensued.

There was No Action required as this item was for informational purposes only.

8. Review the new funding programs and additional funds available from California's recently passed transportation funding bill called the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 – SB1.

Executive Director Grossi informed Committee Members that there was a huge effort to repeal this bill and that we should all be aware of the value of these funds – especially where the condition of our roads are concerned. He added that this money would be a huge help for road

maintenance as well as walk ways. He added that staff is putting together a list of projects to bring back at next month's meeting. He informed Committee Members that Caltrans has to work with locals on projects.

Discussion ensued.

There was no action required as this item was for informational purposes only.

9. Approval of Cooperative Agreement with the Sierra Railroad and Resolution authorizing the submittal of Federal INFRA Grant application to rehabilitate 55miles of railroad.

Executive Director Grossi informed Committee Members that Sierra Railroad approached him to be the lead agency on this project – he added that this is a \$20 million dollar project and that the TCTC would not incur any expenses. He also informed Committee Members about the benefits of using freight. He added that a representative from Sierra Railroad will be at the TCTC meeting next week and that Riverbank, Oakdale and StanCog are looking for letters of support. He also mentioned that it has been over 10 years since Tuolumne County did a project with Sierra Railroad.

Discussion ensued.

TAC:

Tim Miller moved to approve a Cooperative Agreement with the Sierra Railroad and Resolution authorizing the submittal of Federal INFRA Grant application to rehabilitate 55miles of railroad.

Duke York seconded the motion.

Motion approved with a 4-0 vote.

CAC:

Harry Ohls moved to approve a Cooperative Agreement with the Sierra Railroad and Resolution authorizing the submittal of Federal INFRA Grant application to rehabilitate 55miles of railroad.

Bob Asquith seconded the motion.

Motion approved with a 3-0 vote.

Motion approved unanimously.

10. Reports

Executive Director Grossi informed Committee Members that staff received a proposal from Wood Rodgers regarding Washington Street. He reminded everyone that Mayor Williams asked staff to work with Caltrans and the City to get something done and stay within the \$45 thousand

dollar budget. So, concepts and alternatives are currently being put together. He added that he wanted to run this by the Committee and that it is also on the TCTC Agenda and that the timeline is critical.

There being no further items to discuss, this portion of the meeting was adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Bergamaschi Administrative Technician