

*Tuolumne County Transit Agency
Technical/Citizen's Advisory Committee*

April 5, 2017 Meeting Minutes

The April 5, 2017 meeting of the Tuolumne County Transit Agency (TCTA) Technical/Citizen's Advisory Committee(s) (TAC/CAC) was called to order at 3:10 p.m. by Executive Director Darin Grossi. Also in attendance were: David Gonzalves, CRA Director; Duke York, Deputy Director CRA Roads Division; Tim Miller with the City of Sonora; Bob Asquith representing District 4; Laura Shinn, Sr. Administrative Analyst; Tyler Summersett, Sr. Transportation Planner; Alex Padilla, Transportation Planner and Denise Bergamaschi, Administrative Technician.

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.**

Carol Doud asked if Tuolumne County Transit would be participating in the Spring Festival taking place on Saturday, April 29th in downtown Sonora.

Consent Calendar:

- 2. Approval of the March 1, 2017 Meeting Minutes.**
- 3. Federal Transit Administration (Section 5310) application to expand service program to fund out-of-county medical transportation. Application submitted by Sierra Senior Providers, Inc. (SSPI). SSPI will operate the program which will be available to Tuolumne County Seniors and those with a disability. Project summary included for informational purposes only.**

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

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.

CAC:

The Citizen's Advisory Committee did not have quorum at today's meeting – therefore was unable to make a motion or vote on any items presented.

Regular Agenda:

- 4. Progress report on the construction of the Tuolumne Transit Center.**

Senior Transportation Planner, Tyler Summersett, provided an update on the construction of the new transit facility. He informed Committee Members that the progress has been slow moving due to the weather. He added that crews are working on the parts of the project that there is a

visible shell and that the contractors are working on parts of the facility that they are able to. He stated that footings have been poured. He also informed Committee Members that the new transit schedules are being pushed out to accommodate the opening of the new facility, which may be sometime in late June or possibly July. Discussion ensued.

There was no action required for this item as it was informational.

5. Mid-Year report on Tuolumne County Transit Services

Senior Transportation Planner, Tyler Summersett, informed Committee Members that this report represents the performance of the Transit Service from June – December of 2016. He added that the farebox recovery ratio is just shy of 9% and that the state requirement is 10%. Staff had anticipated schedule changes by now but, weather delays of the new facility is affecting putting the new transit schedules out. Mr. Summersett added that one change that will make a difference with the recovery ratio is Route 6 being replaced with Dial a Ride.

There was no action required for this item as it was informational.

6. Recommend the TCTA adopt Resolution No. 38-17 selecting Pinecrest Public Transit service as project to be funded with Greenhouse Gas Reduction funds through the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP), designate the Executive Director as the Authorized Agent for all project submittals and agree to abide by Grant Assurances in accepting funds.

Executive Director Grossi reminded Committee Members that this was an idea that staff presented last year. He stated that the support was so overwhelming, that it is being put into action this year and being presented to the state for funding. He also said that once there, the bus will stay in Pinecrest all day allowing it to shuttle visitors and/or locals throughout the vicinity.

TAC:

Tim Miller moved to approve recommending the TCTA adopt Resolution No. 38-17 selecting Pinecrest Public Transit service as project to be funded with Greenhouse Gas Reduction funds through the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)

David Gonzalves seconded the motion.

Motion approved with a 4-0 vote.

7. Recommend the TCTA Adopt Resolution No. 39-17 allocating California Office of Emergency Services Transit Security Grant Funds for Information Kiosk and Trip Planning Equipment at the Tuolumne Transit Center.

Transportation Planner, Alex Padilla, informed Committee Members that this is the last year of CAL/OES funding. He reminded them that in the past, these funds have been used for NextBus and transit center improvements. He stated that the funds will now be used to purchase a TV sized I-pod style for the new facility for passengers to plan trips.

Discussion ensued.

TAC:

Duke York moved to approve recommending the TCTA Adopt Resolution No. 39-17 allocating California Office of Emergency Services Transit Security Grant Funds for Information Kiosk and Trip Planning Equipment at the Tuolumne Transit Center.

Tim Miller seconded the motion.

Motion approved with a 4-0 vote.

8. Reports

Sr. Transportation Planner, Tyler Summersett informed Committee members that the YARTS bus will begin services on May 15th and run through Labor Day. He also informed everyone that this Saturday will be the last day of service for the SkiBus.

Duke York reported that, weather permitting, the road to Yosemite should be ready for travel in about 5 weeks. He also pointed out the financial impact the closure is having on businesses along the 120 corridor and in Groveland.

There being no further items to discuss, this portion of the meeting was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Bergamaschi
Administrative Technician