Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) October 5th 2017 Meeting Highlights

Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funding approved for County of Santa Cruz bicycle and pedestrian projects

The Regional Transportation Commission approved $386,069 in TDA funding for the County of Santa Cruz for bicycle and pedestrian improvement projects. The funding allocations will be used for bike lane maintenance, the Boulder Creek Elementary School Pedestrian Safety Project, and the Twin Lakes State Beach Beachfront project (which is part of the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail). In addition to planning activities, TDA funds may only be used for transit, bicycle, and pedestrian projects.

The Regional Transportation Commission approved $93,963 in TDA funding for bicycle and pedestrian facilities included in the Mt. Hermon/Scotts Valley Rd/Whispering Pines Intersection Improvement Project.

A Resolution was presented to Karena Pushnik, Senior Planner and Public Information Coordinator on her retirement from the Regional Transportation Commission after 27 years of dedicated and loyal service. After the presentation of the Resolution Document by George Dondero and RTC Vice-Chair and Santa Cruz Mayor Cynthia Chase, commission members expressed their gratitude for her service, as well as congratulations and good wishes for enjoyment of her well deserved retirement. Karena replied with a few inspiring words to the commission and those present about her pride in the RTC, that everyone is touched by transportation issues and that the issues are complicated and there is no silver bullet nor quick fix. That the red tape of bureaucracy is there to protect the tax payers, the environment and the future.

The RTC Call for Projects for the new State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), are due October 23rd. Applications are available online at: https://sccrtc.org/funding-planning/project-funding/

Upcoming RTC and Committee Meetings:
Please check the RTC website [www.sccrtc.org] or call 831-460-3200 to confirm. Agendas are posted to the website at least 3 days before the meeting.

Visualizing Sustainable Transportation in Santa Cruz County Media Kick Off Tuesday, October 10, 2017, 10:30 a.m.
Corners of Chanticleer and Soquel Drive

**Elderly & Disabled Advisory Committee**
Tuesday, October 10, 2017, 1:30 p.m.
RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

**Interagency Technical Advisory Committee**
Thursday, October 12, 2017, 1:30 p.m.
RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

**Budget and Administration/Personnel**
Thursday, October 12, 2017, 3:00 p.m.
CAO Conference Room

**Transportation Policy Workshop**
Thursday, October 19, 2017, 9:00 a.m.
RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz

Public input on transportation issues is welcomed and encouraged. For more information, visit the SCCRTC website at [www.sccrtc.org](http://www.sccrtc.org) or call 460-3200. Some Regional Transportation Commission meetings are televised countywide by Community TV of Santa Cruz. Consult [www.communitytv.org](http://www.communitytv.org) or call 831-425-8848 for schedule and station information.