



## Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission

### Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee

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**Minutes  
Tuesday, August 9, 2016**

**RTC Offices  
1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz, 95060**

1 Call to Order: 1:30 pm

2. Introductions

***Members Present:***

Kirk Ance, Community Bridges, Lift Line,  
CTSA  
Pam Arnsberger, 2<sup>nd</sup> District  
Lori Bettencourt, 5<sup>th</sup> District  
Lisa Berkowitz, CTSA  
John Daugherty, Metro Transit  
Veronica Elsea, 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
Sally French, Hope Services  
Cara Lamb, Potential Transit User

***Alternates Present:***

Tom Duncanson, 2<sup>nd</sup> District  
John Mills, Potential Transit User  
April Warnock, Metro Transit/ParaCruz

***Excused Absences:***

Debbi Brooks, Social Service Provider -  
Persons of Limited Means  
Clay Kempf, Social Service Provider -  
Seniors  
Greta Kleiner, Potential Transit User  
(Disabled)

***Unexcused Absences:***

Brent Gifford, 1<sup>st</sup> District  
Michael Molesky, Social Service Provider  
Disabled (County)

***RTC Staff Present:***

Cathy Judd  
Rachel Moriconi

***Others Present:***

Claire Fliesler, City of Santa Cruz  
Scott Hamby, City of Scotts Valley  
Dulce Lizarraga-Chagolla, CCCIL

3. Oral Communications

- Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council is listed among the endorsers of TRIP
- Copies of the current Headways are available
- Metro has not had to lay off any employees and service reductions are smaller than previously discussed. Service changes go into effect September 8th. Information is available on Metro website.

4. Additions or deletions to consent and regular agenda - None

## CONSENT AGENDA

*Action: A motion (Berkowitz/Lamb) was made to approve the Consent Agenda with corrections to the minutes of June 14, 2016. The motion passed unanimously with members Ance, Arnsberger, Bettencourt, Berkowitz, Daugherty, Elsea, French and Lamb voting in favor. No votes were cast in opposition.*

5. Approved Minutes from June 14, 2016 with the following corrections:
  - *Item 5 - correct the spelling of Veronica Else to Veronica Elsea*
  - *Item 16 – second paragraph “grant program to fund...” change the content from “mobility impaired persons” to read “visually and mobility impaired persons”*
  - *Item 18 – correct the content from “Bicycles” to “Bicyclists”*
6. Received Transportation Development Act Revenues Report
7. Received Information Items
  - a. Plan for Art along the Coastal Rail Trail in Santa Cruz Flyer Meeting will be held by City of Santa Cruz Arts Department on August 11 at Kelly's French Bakery on Ingalls St. Committee members suggested that outreach for art planning include schools and senior groups, such as the I-You Venture.
8. Received Agency Updates - None

## REGULAR AGENDA

9. 2016 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) Recommendations

Rachel Moriconi, RTC Senior Transportation Planner, summarized the staff report, which included a list of projects for which applications were submitted, criteria used to evaluate project applications, and preliminary staff recommendations for \$7 million in Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funds. Members discussed some of the projects on the list of recommendations.

*Action: A motion (Ance/Lamb) was made to recommend that the RTC board approve the staff recommendations for STBG funding as presented, including a friendly amendment to the motion (Berkowitz) that evaluation criteria be added in future funding cycles for projects in rural areas that serve as the single option for ingress/egress. The motion passed unanimously with members Ance, Arnsberger, Bettencourt, Berkowitz, Daugherty, Elsea, French and Lamb voting in favor. No votes were cast in opposition.*
10. 2016 Transportation Improvement Plan Ballot Measure Update

Rachel Moriconi, RTC Senior Transportation Planner, updated members on the transportation sales tax measure that has been placed on the November ballot. She highlighted the changes in the funding allocations and conditions made since the Committee last reviewed the draft Expenditure Plan. A campaign committee has been established and RTC staff is only providing information. Discussion included the unmet

transportation needs for low income individuals and that LiftLine would use measure funds to increase service.

11. Pedestrian Safety Workgroup Verbal Update – Draft Brochure “What Pedestrian and Bicyclist Want Each Other to Know”

Veronica Elsea, Pedestrian Safety Workgroup Chair, mentioned that the group continues to work on the brochure and at their July meeting looked at the suggestions from the Bicycle Advisory Committee, additional suggestions from the South County Pedestrian and Bicycle Program, the Community Traffic Safety Coalition, and others. The group is working on the language and grouping items into similar categories and will come back to the E&D TAC with the next draft. In response to member questions Ms. Elsea mentioned that the group is getting input from CHP, County Sheriff, and local police. The next meeting of the Pedestrian Safety Work Group will be Tuesday, August 23 from 10:00 am to noon in the RTC conference room.

12. Adjourn 3:00 pm

Respectfully submitted, Cathy Judd, RTC Staff