



**Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee**

Minutes

**Special Meeting
Tuesday, September 12, 2017**

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

1:30 p.m-3:30 p.m

- 1 Call to Order: 1:30 pm
- 2 Introductions

Members Present:

Kirk Ance-Community Bridges/Lift Line/CTSA
Pam Arnsberger, 2nd District
Lisa Berkowitz, CTSA
John Daugherty-SCMTD
Lori Welch, 4th District
Veronica Elsea-3rd District
Dulce Lizarraga-Chagilla, Social Service
Provider-Seniors

Alternates Present:

Tom Duncanson-2nd District

Excused Absences:

Clay Kempf

Unexcused Absences:

None

RTC Staff Present:

Ginger Dykaar
Brianna Goodman
Grace Blakeslee

Others Present:

Theresia Rogerson HSA/CTSC
Sarah Harmon HSA/CTSC
Sean Vienna AMBAG
Becky Steinbruner-Aptos Resident
Gary Lindstrum-Aptos Resident
Thomas Stumbaugh-Aptos Resident
Marilyn Garrett-Aptos Resident

3. Oral Communications

- John Daugherty, Santa Cruz Metro staff, announced that the new Metro Headways is available and that Metro will be providing service to the Santa Cruz County Fair.
- Becky Steinbruner, resident of Aptos, informed Committee members of discussions regarding the MarVista Pedestrian and Bicycle Overcrossing and suggested that the Committee provide input on the project.
- Pam Arnsberger announced that the 10 year Senior Solutions Summit will be held on Oct 18th and will include a discussion of transportation services for seniors.
- Kirk Ance, Community Bridges-Lift Line staff, thanked the SCCRTC for their work in the community and their support for Community Bridges-Lift Line TDA claims and 5310 funding.
- Marilyn Garrett, Santa Cruz County resident, distributed information regarding wireless devices and stated that the wireless devices create a health risk and functional impairment as a result of radiation

- Theresia Rogerson, the Community Traffic Safety Coalition staff, announced that the City of Santa Cruz will be holding a Kick Off event for their Streets Smarts transportation safety campaign on September 13th from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at the Kaiser Arena.
 - Grace Blakeslee, RTC staff informed members that the annual Santa Cruz Good Times weekly magazine's senior insert included an advertisement inviting individuals to join the RTC's E&D TAC and informed participants that there are vacancies on the committee.
 - Grace Blakeslee also announced that the 2018 Regional Transportation Improvement Program, call for projects is available. Non-profits are eligible if they have a public agency sponsor.
4. Additions or Deletions to the consent or regular agenda
- Grace Blakeslee requested to move item 11 to item 9a on the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Approved Minutes from June 13, 2017 E&D TAC Meeting
6. Received Transportation Development Act Revenues Report
7. Received Information Items
 - a. Letter to County of Santa Cruz from E&D TAC dated June 27, 2017 regarding Aptos Village Project
 - b. City of Santa Cruz Street Safety Campaign Information
 - c. Please Point Community Workshop
8. Received Agency Updates
 - a. Volunteer Center-None
 - b. Community Bridges – FY 16/17 Fourth Quarter Report
 - c. Santa Cruz Metro- ParaCruz Report Operations Report April, May, June 2017

Action: A motion (Arnsberger/Welch) was made to approve the Consent Agenda and request that RTC staff contact County of Santa Cruz staff to obtain more information about the Route 71 InBound Bus Stop included in the Aptos Village Project and invite County of Santa Cruz staff to the October 10th E&D TAC meeting. The motion passed with members Arnsberger, Welch, Berkowitz, Daugherty, Elsea, voting in favor. Member Ance abstained. No votes were cast in opposition.

REGULAR AGENDA

9a. County of Santa Cruz Health Services Department Traffic Safety Programs

Theresia Rogerson and Sarah Harmon, representatives from The County of Santa Cruz Health Services Department-Traffic Safety Program, spoke about the [VisionZero](#) program. The program's goal is to eliminate traffic related deaths and serious injuries resulting from traffic collisions. Committee members discussed the VisionZero program's use of the words traffic violence. Ms. Rogerson informed members that the words traffic violence are used to indicate that crashes can be avoided and aren't random.

No action was taken.

9b. Unified Corridor Investment Study-Step 1 Scenario Analysis

Ginger Dykaar presented the Unified Corridor Investment Study (UCS) Step 1 Analysis results. Ms. Dykaar discussed the projects located on Highway 1, Soquel/Freedom and the

Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line included in the analysis and described the community benefits and challenges for each project. Committee members raised questions about the potential for conflicts between carpools and transit services using the Highway 1 HOV lanes and automobiles in the general purpose lanes when carpools and transit services are entering the Highway 1 and merging to the HOV lanes. Ms. Elsea stated that transit services are needed on Mission St. Committee members discussed the need for interconnections between the three routes included in the UCS. Ms. Arnsberger commented that Bus Rapid Transit on the Rail ROW should be further investigated.

No action was taken.

10. Transportation Development Act Claim for the City of Scotts Valley Mt. Hermon/Scotts Valley Rd/Whispering Pines Intersection Improvement Project

The E&D TAC reviewed the TDA Claim for the City of Scotts Valley Mt. Hermon/Scotts Valley Rd/Whispering Pines Intersection Improvement Project Valley and appreciated the City of Scotts Valley for considering their comments provided at a previous meeting on the preliminary design.

Action: A motion (Daugherty/Welch) was made to approve the TDA Claim for the City of Scotts Valley Mt. Hermon/Scotts Valley Rd/Whispering Pines Intersection Improvement Project. The motion unanimously passed with members Arnsberger, Welch, Berkowitz, Daugherty, Elsea, Ance and Lizarraga-Chagilla voting in favor. No votes were cast in opposition.

11. County of Santa Cruz Health Services Department Traffic Safety Program

Moved to item 9a.

12. Visualizing Sustainable Transportation Project Update

Brianna Goodman provided an update on the Visualizing Sustainable Transportation Project. Ms. Goodman announced that there will be viewers at 4 locations in Santa Cruz County, October 4th at Chanticleer Avenue, October 18th on the Westside and in Spring 2018 in Watsonville City Plaza and at 17th and Railroad.

No action was taken.

13. Santa Cruz Metro Grand Jury Report

Grace Blakeslee reviewed the Santa Cruz Metro Grand Jury Report the responses to the report from the SC Metro CEO and Board.

No action was taken.

14. Pedestrian Safety Workgroup Verbal Update - Draft Brochure: "What Pedestrians and Bicyclists Want Each Other to Know"

Committee members received an update about outreach for the "What Pedestrians and Bicyclists Want Each Other to Know"

No action was taken.

Adjourned: 3:45pm

Next meeting: 1:30 pm, October 10, 2017 at the RTC Office, Santa Cruz. Meeting may be canceled if there are no actions to be brought before the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Blakeslee

Senior Transportation Planner

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