Tuolumne County Transportation Council

Social Services Transportation Advisory Council

Bylaws

ARTICLE I: FUNCTION

<u>Section 1:</u> The Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) shall be a standing committee of the Tuolumne County Transportation Council (TCTC). The SSTAC shall advise the Transportation Council and have the following responsibilities:

- (1) Annually participate in the identification of transit needs, including "Unmet Transit Needs that are Reasonable to Meet" as defined and adopted by the TCTC pursuant to Resolution #161-97, that may exist within the jurisdiction of the TCTC.
- (2) Review and advise action of the TCTC, including TCTC action related to the annual Unmet Transit Needs Hearing process. Advise the TCTC pursuant to Resolution 161-97, that: (A) there are no unmet transit needs, (B) there are no unmet transit needs that are reasonable to meet, or (C) there are unmet transit needs, including needs that are reasonable to meet.
- (3) Pursuant to Article 8, Sections 99401.5 (a) and (c) of the Public Utilities Code, advise the TCTC on significant transit-related issues including the coordination and consolidation of specialized transportation services, pursuant to criteria in Resolution #161-97 as adopted by the TCTC.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

<u>Section 1</u>; The Social Services Transportation Advisory Council shall consist of the following members who are residents of Tuolumne County:

- (1) One representative of potential transit users who is 60 years of age or older.
- (2) One representative of potential transit user who has a disability.
- (3) Two representatives of the local social service providers for seniors, including one representative of a social service transportation provider, if one exists.

- (4) Two representatives of local social service providers for individuals with disabilities, including one representative of a social service transportation provider, if one exists.
- (5) One representative of a local social service provider for persons of limited means.
- (6) Two representatives from the local consolidated transportation services agency, designated pursuant to sub-division (a) of Section 15975 of the Government Code, if one exists, including one representative from an operator, if one exists.
- (7) One member at-large position.

Section 2: A quorum shall constitute one-half (1/2) of the current membership, plus one (1).

ARTICLE III: TERM OF OFFICE

<u>Section 1:</u> Of the initial appointments to the council, one-third of them shall be for a one-year term, one-third shall be for a two-year term, and one-third shall be for a three-year term.

<u>Section 2:</u> Subsequent to the initial appointment, the term of appointment shall be for three years, which may be renewed for an additional three-year term.

<u>Section 3:</u> In no case shall any member of the Council serve on the Council longer than eight consecutive years.

ARTICLE IV: APPOINTMENT

<u>Section 1:</u> Any qualified resident of Tuolumne County may apply for membership on the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council. The Secretary of the Committee shall maintain a current list of applicants. Each application for membership on the Council shall be valid for a period of two years. After this time, the applicant's name may be removed from the list of applicants.

<u>Section 2:</u> The SSTAC will review the list of applicants when there is a vacancy. An appropriate candidate will be identified by the SSTAC and recommendation for the candidate's appointment will be forwarded to the TCTC for approval.

ARTICLE V: PERFORMANCE

<u>Section 1:</u> The members of the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council will be expected to attend the meetings of the Council on a regular basis. Any member of the Council who is absent from three consecutive meetings of the Council without the prior approval of the Chair of

SSTAC shall be recommended for dismissal by the SSTAC. The member will be notified in writing of their dismissal.

ARTICLE VI: REMOVAL

<u>Section 1:</u> The Council may, at any time, recommend the removal of any member of the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council. A majority vote of the representatives of the Council shall be required to approval any removal recommendation. This recommendation will then be forwarded to the TCTC for approval.

ARTICLE VII: OFFICERS AND RULES

<u>Section 1:</u> The Social Services Transportation Advisory Council shall elect from among its membership a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman. The term of office shall be for one year.

<u>Section 2:</u> The Council shall adopt rules and procedures for its meetings. Said rules and procedures shall be subject to approval by the SSTAC.

ARTICLE VIII: FINANCING

<u>Section 1:</u> Except as specifically provided by the TCTC, the members of the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council shall receive no compensation for their service.

<u>Section 2:</u> The TCTC shall provide the SSTAC with the financial support the TCTC deems necessary for the successful functioning of the SSTAC.

ARTICLE IX: MEETING FREQUENCY

<u>Section 1:</u>. Meetings are to be scheduled quarterly or on an as needed basis and set by Social Services Transportation Advisory Council Chair.