

*Tuolumne County Transportation Council  
Technical/Citizen's Advisory Committee*

*October 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes*

The October 10, 2018 meeting of the Tuolumne County Transportation Council (TCTC) meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Vice Chairman John Gray. Also in attendance were: Councilmember Matt Hawkins; Councilmember Jim Garaventa; Executive Director Darin Grossi; Laura Shinn, Senior Administrative Analyst; Tyler Summersett; Senior Transportation Planner; Alex Padilla, Transportation Planner and Administrative Technician, Denise Bergamaschi.

Michelle Demetrius was present at today's meeting representing Caltrans District 10.

- 1. Oral communication (15 minutes) to allow the public to speak on any item not on the printed agenda.**

There was no Oral Communication at today's meeting.

**Consent Calendar:**

- 2. Approval of the September 12, 2018 Meeting Minutes.**

*Councilmember Matt Hawkins moved to approve the September 12, 2018 Meeting Minutes as presented.*

*Councilmember Jim Garaventa seconded the motion.*

*Motion approved with a 3-0 vote.*

- 3. Presentation of a Certificate of Recognition acknowledging exceptional service from Betty Kibble of Caltrans District 10 on behalf of Tuolumne County Transportation Council**

Executive Director Grossi informed Council Members that staff will be presenting the Certificate of Recognition to Ms. Kibble at her Retirement Party taking place at District 10.

*Councilmember Jim Garaventa moved to approve a Certificate of Recognition acknowledging exceptional service from Betty Kibble of Caltrans District 10 on behalf of Tuolumne County Transportation Council.*

*Councilmember Matt Hawkins seconded the motion.*

*Motion approved with a 3-0 vote.*

**Regular Agenda:**

**4. Public Hearing to receive input on Potential Transit Needs that May Exist within the Tuolumne County Region and that may be reasonable to meet in Fiscal Year 2018/2019.**

Executive Director Grossi reminded Council Members that this is an annual process in which the Transportation Council collects input from the public with regards to any transit needs that may be requested/required. He added that there is no action necessary for this item as it is for public input purposes.

\*\*\*3:07 p.m. – At this time the meeting was open for Public Hearing

\*\*\*3:08 p.m. – Seeing that there was no Public Input, the Public Hearing was closed at this time.

There was no action required for this item.

**5. Public Hearing to consider approval of Resolution 591-18 adopting the Final Proposed Fiscal Year 218/19 Budget for the Tuolumne County Transportation Council.**

Executive Director Grossi informed Council that they had approved the budget previously and that this is the Final Budget with included changes.

Senior Administrative Analyst, Laura Shinn, informed Council Members that there are very few changes from the recommended budget that was presented in June. She added that most changes are year-end due to State, Federal and various Grants. She stated that Grants would have the biggest impact on the budget.

Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Gray inquired about the necessary votes to approve the budget. Executive Director Grossi then asked a staff member to go speak with legal counsel and report back.

**6. Presentation of Access Improvements to Chicken Ranch Casino**

Executive Director Grossi informed Council that he and his staff are working with Caltrans with regards to this project. He added that Stephanie Suess with Chicken Ranch along with consultants will be presenting a Power Point slideshow to talk about the design.

Stephanie Suess informed Council that the Casino began looking at safety issues in 2012 and being that it is not a good situation. She added that due to lack of accidents, improvements were not warranted. She informed Council Members that this will be the first round-about in Tuolumne County and that she and the Casino hope it makes the indicated road a lot safer, not

only for casino patrons, but for the residents living in the vicinity. She stated that Chairman Matheson as well as other Tribal Members are in attendance if any questions should arise.

At this time, consultants Heather Anderson and Kamesh Vedula presented a Power Point slideshow with regards to the design.

Discussion ensued.

**Public Comment:**

Barry Wilson approached the podium and stated that he is a resident in the neighborhood of the casino. He added that he spoke with Duke York a couple of months ago with regards to the traffic situation. He stated that Caltrans is unaware of what the residents that live there go through on a daily basis – it is a lot of traffic!

Steve Willey approached the podium and stated that he is a resident as well as a merchant in Jamestown and has been for over 40 years. He stated that this is the best proposal in a long time. He added that he knows several employees of the casino and that they are all happy about the idea of a roundabout. He thanked everyone for the presentation and the proposal and vision.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Wilson approached the podium again adding that a lot of residents go up to Table Top Mountain and that is it dangerous for people not from here – they drive too fast going up to the casino.

Vice Chairman Gray stated that the roundabout will help reduce speed. Mr. Gray then thanked the consultants for the presentation.

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

**7. Consideration of approving Employment Agreement Amendment #4 with Darin Grossi to serve as the Tuolumne County Transportation Council Executive Director effective June 24, 2018 for a term of 5 years to June 30, 2024.**

Executive Director Grossi stated that he is happy to be here and that he is looking forward to another 5 years.

*Councilmember Matt Hawkins moved to approve Employment Agreement Amendment #4 with Darin Grossi to serve as the Tuolumne County Transportation Council Executive Director effective June 24, 2018 for a term of 5 years to June 30, 2024.*

*Councilmember Jim Garaventa seconded the motion.*

*Motion approved with a 3-0 vote.*

**Public Comment:**

*George Segarini approached the podium and stated that he was on the Transportation Council for 4 years and the Chamber of Commerce for several years. He added that Mr. Grossi is a fine person and that he looks forward to interacting with him for 5 more years.*

**5. Public Hearing to consider approval of Resolution 591-18 adopting the Final Proposed Fiscal Year 2018/19 Budget for the Tuolumne County Transportation Council.**

**\*\*\*\*At this time, Sr. Administrative Analyst, Laura Shinn returned from speaking with Auditor/Controller Debi Bautista who informed her that for the budget a 3 out of 5 vote is required for approval.**

**\*\*\*\* 3:49pm – At this time, a Public Hearing was opened for any comment(s) on the FY 18/19 Final Budget**

**\*\*\*\* 3:50pm – At this time, the Public Hearing was closed. There was No Public Comment for this item.**

*Councilmember Jim Garaventa moved to approve Resolution 591-18 adopting the Final Proposed Fiscal Year 2018/19 Budget for the Tuolumne County Transportation Council. Councilmember Matt Hawkins seconded the motion. Motion approved with a 3-0 vote.*

**8. Reports**

*Executive Director Grossi reported that he and a staff member will be meeting with a coordinating council tomorrow regarding a Grant for ZEV and that he will be presenting a baseline report that he will share with Council at next month's meeting.*

*He also reported that he received a Draft for the SR49 Corridor plan from Caltrans and that he will be looking at all aspects of transportation. He added that he will announce dates of the public input process.*

*Mr. Grossi also informed Council that he and Alex Padilla will be attending the CTC meeting in Stockton on October 17<sup>th</sup>; Tyler Summersett will be attending the YARTS meeting on October 17<sup>th</sup>; and the Sonora Community Trail meeting on October 12<sup>th</sup> with the Forest Service.*

*Michelle Demetrius with Caltrans District 10 reported that signage to Columbia College is being looked at. She also reported that Amador Transportation Commission received a Grant of which we were sub-recipients and agreed to manage.*

*Kim MacFarlane, Assistant CRA Director, reported on several projects that are currently being worked on and provided progress on each of them.*

There being no further items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise A. Bergamaschi  
Administrative Technician