

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

*August 7, 2019 Meeting Minutes*

The August 7, 2019 meeting of the Tuolumne County Transportation Council (TCTC) Technical/Citizen's Advisory Committee(s) (TAC/CAC) was called to order at 3:41p.m. by Executive Director Darin Grossi. Also, in attendance were Dore Bietz representing the Native American Community; Stephen Dietrich representing the City of Sonora; Dick Southern representing District 3; Bob Asquith representing District 4; Carl Baker representing District 5; Laura Shinn, Senior Administrative Analyst; Tyler Summersett; Senior Transportation Planner; Alex Padilla, Senior Transportation Planner; and Administrative Technician, Denise Bergamaschi.

Kevin Schroder was present at today's meeting representing Caltrans District 10. Also in attendance was Michael Casas with 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 June 5, 2019 Meeting Minutes.**
- 3. Recommend sending a letter of support to Common Ground Senior Services in support of their FTS 5310 application to enhance services to Tuolumne county Seniors, Disabled and Veterans with out-of-county transportation in addition to increased services locally.**

**TAC:**

*The TAC did not have a quorum at today's meeting; therefore, was unable to cast a vote on any items presented on the agenda.*

**CAC:**

*Dick Southern moved to approve all items on the consent calendar as presented.*

*Bob Asquith seconded the Motion.*

*Motion approved with a 4-0 vote.*

**Regular Agenda:**

- 4. Report on the Fiscal Year 2018/19 Transportation Development Act Financial Audits.**

Executive Director Grossi informed Committee Members that this item is for informational purposes; adding that he is providing information as received from the Auditor. He stated that we were in the same boat as last year in that we have yet to receive the reports and are receiving

letters from Caltrans threatening to cut off funds. He added that Laura Shinn is in constant contact with the Auditor as well as Caltrans and is providing updates.

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

**5. 2020 STIP/RIP Fund Estimates and Consideration of RSTP Exchange Funds for the SR49 Jamestown Widening Project.**

Executive Director Grossi informed Committee Members that every 2 years the CTC and Caltrans looks at revenues adding that it is not looking so good this year due to fuel usage going down. He also reported that last year the TCTC was advanced over \$700k for various projects. Mr. Grossi also informed Committee Members that the Peaceful Oak Interchange is pretty much funded at this point.

Discussion ensued between Mr. Schroder and Mr. Grossi regarding funding options

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**CAC:**

*Dick Southern moved to approve the 2020 STIP/RIP Fund Estimates and Consideration of RSTP Exchange Funds for the SR49 Jamestown Widening Project.*

*Bob Asquith seconded the motion.*

*Motion approved with a 4-0 vote.*

*Executive Director Grossi added that this item will be brought back to next month's meeting when the City and County have representatives present.*

**6. Update on Peaceful Oak Interchange**

Executive Director Grossi informed Committee Members that staff has been working on the project for a long time adding that it has been pushed back numerous times. He stated that revised cost estimates need to be done due to the increase in contractor's costs. He also mentioned that the CTC approved use of right-of-way funds and that staff is working with the CTC to shift numbers for allocation purposes.

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

**7. Report on the Regional Surface Transportation Program Exchange Reserve Fund pursuant to Resolution 602-19, and approval of a Call for Projects for the available balance.**

Laura Shinn informed Committee Members that as the RTPA we manage funds that are then allocated to projects. She added that there was no Call for Projects last year with the RSTP. She stated that this year staff would like to focus on local projects such as safe bicycle/pedestrian as

well as complete streets design. She added that these funds are open to the City and County as well as other outside agencies.

Carl Baker stated that “meeting the needs of the bi/ped community” is not a separate community – we are all part of the same community. He recommended that the language be changed to “meet the pedestrian/bicycle needs of our community”.

Executive Director Grossi stated that this item will be brought back with language changes.

*There was no action required for this item.*

## **8. Report on the allocation of FY19/20 LTF funding from the Tuolumne County Transportation Council**

Laura Shinn explained to Committee Member where these funds are derived from adding that the auditor is predicting a 2% increase from last year. She then informed that the funds go to the transit budget first, followed by the Unmet Needs within the community, administration and bicycle/pedestrian projects. Once those funds are allocated, the city and county receive their percentages.

Executive Director Grossi stated that he recommends moving forward with this item.

### **TAC:**

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### **CAC:**

*Stephen Dietrich moved to approve the allocation of FY19/20 LTF funding from the Tuolumne County Transportation Council*

*Bob Asquith seconded the motion.*

*Motion approved with a 4-0 vote.*

## **9. Recommend adopting Resolution 607-19 and direct staff to apply for FTA 5310 – Enhanced mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program funds to support the creation of a Mobility Manager for Tuolumne County and enhance public transit services to the greater Groveland area.**

Sr. Transportation Planner, Tyler Summersett informed Committee Members that 5310 has been a longstanding funding source for the Tuolumne County Transit for many years. He added that the program has provided funding for the purchase of Dial a Ride services and remains today. He added that the Groveland area is in desperate need of some sort of transportation service as they rely heavily on community members at this time. Hiring a Mobility Manager would essentially be a “one-stop” shop for all transportation resources in the region. He then informed Committee Members that the applications are due by September 6<sup>th</sup>.

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**CAC:**

*Bob Asquith moved to approve Recommend adopting Resolution 607-19 and direct staff to apply for FTA 5310 – Enhanced mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program funds to support the creation of a Mobility Manager for Tuolumne County and enhance public transit services to the greater Groveland area.*

*Dick Southern seconded the motion.*

*Motion approved with a 4-0 vote.*

**10. Presentation of the Draft Central Sierra Emission Vehicle Plan.**

Sr. Transportation Planner, Alex Padilla, provided a power point presentation of the Central Sierra Zero Emission Vehicle Plan.

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

**11. Reports**

*Executive Director Grossi had nothing to report at this meeting.*

*Kevin Schroder with Caltrans District 10 announced that this would be his last meeting and that Michael Casas will be the new representative for the TCTC out of District 10 – he will be our new Betty! Mr. Schroder also reported that Caltrans is working on a CAT plan and that once complete he will pass it along to us. He also reported that the High T is expected to be complete in October. Mr. Schroder also added that even though he may not attend any more TAC/CAC meetings, he will be attending Grant meetings.*

There being no further items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise A. Bergamaschi  
Administrative Technician