



## Transit Coordinating Committee

April 17, 2019 – TCC 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

SACOG Rivers Rooms  
1415 L Street, Suite 300  
Sacramento, CA

*Members of the public wishing to address the committee on any item not on the agenda may do so at the beginning of the meeting. We ask that members of the public request to speak and keep their remarks brief. Testimony will be limited to a total of ten (10) minutes.*

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### Attendees:

Will Garner, PCT  
Mike Barnbaum, public  
Jose Perez, YCTD  
Alan Budde, YCTD  
Dave Anderson, Lion Electric Company  
Lisa Cappellari, Paratransit, Inc.  
Paul Philley, SMAQMD  
Katie Nichols, SRTD  
Marie Bedard, Lion Electric Company  
Caroline Payne, SACOG  
Jeff Flynn, Unitrans  
Mike Costa, e-tran  
Raquel Chavarria, e-tran  
Keith Martin, Yuba-Sutter Transit  
Mike Rosson, SACOG  
Jeff Tardaguila, public  
David Goldman, SRTD  
Jamie Adelman, SRTD  
Blanca Araujo, SRTD  
Eileen Bruggeman, Roseville Transit  
Nancy Iseri, ACC Rides  
Obinna Emenike, Via West Sacramento

#### 1) TCC Coordination (Garner/All, 20 minutes)

**a. Public Comment on non-agenda topics** - Jeff Tardaguila - What type of infrastructure is needed for battery charging? Good to hear about Yolo COA work.

Mike Barnbaum - City of Sacramento approved term sheet with Republic FC, light rail station at 7th and Railyards is included. SacRT Forward approved in February 2019.

Paul Philley - Community Air Protection funding - make transit more feasible - assist disadvantaged communities and make clear much funding is needed to make service work. Would be nice if guidelines were more flexible for different types of projects.

**b. Brief introductions and sharing of significant news about transit systems** - RT - partnering with Elk Grove on operating service, SacRT Forward, Yolo partnership for UC Davis shuttle. Ticket exchange. SmARt Ride Sacramento extensions in the works.

Mike Barnbaum - Route to Redding via I-5 corridor. Planning for San Joaquin rail from Chico to Sacramento continues. RT - Possible another rail station may be added in midtown Sacramento.

Jeff Tardaguila - Take what I learn at TCC to other groups I belong to.

Roseville - Released a business plan RFP for transitioning to ZEB.

e-Tran - working with SacRT to transition to new services. Monitoring post COA service changes.

SMAQMD - Capitol Corridor will transition to Siemens charger engines that are cleaner and can operate at higher speeds.

YCTD - Holding a COA kick off later this morning. Operating plan for microtransit from Knights Landing to Woodland. Draft operations plan will be completed in May 2019. Working with RT on UC Davis shuttle. Coordinate with Proterra to test vehicle for a couple of weeks.

RT - Electric vehicle charging - Electrify America and UC Davis ZEBs. Get facility for smaller vehicles for charging. Getting higher 4000 AMP service (can charge 20 big buses at once) with SMUD at the main bus storage location downtown. Getting 21 kV infrastructure to charge 80-90 buses at once.

Unitrans - Fee referendum passed in February and is indexed to inflation.

ACC Rides - Have gotten assistance with ride scheduling software.

Yuba-Sutter Transit - Demo'd quantum rear facing wheelchair locations. Don't fit on 35-foot buses well. Fare increase public hearing to be held tomorrow. Fare would go from \$1 to \$1.50. Draft service RFB going to board.

El Dorado - Mindy Jackson - retiring May 31. Board should be announcing new exec. May 2nd.

**c. Joint Transit Operator Project or Training Opportunities**

**d. General TCC Information**

- FTA Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) webinar – April 30<sup>th</sup> 2 p.m. ET Tuesday, April 30| [Register: https://bit.ly/2VH7CZW](https://bit.ly/2VH7CZW)
- Public Transit and Human Service Transportation Coordinated Plan Update - <https://www.sacog.org/post/sacog-public-transit-and-human-services-transportation-coordinated-plan> e-Tran and RT MAC, PCTPA - SSTAC, County advisory committee.
- Modes-Alert – AVL information needed for real-time transit information tool – contact Sarah Farnsworth [sfarnsworth@sacog.org](mailto:sfarnsworth@sacog.org)
- Other

**2) Review and Approve February 20, 2019 TCC Minutes** (All, 5 minutes) – see attachment. Approved.

**3) Nominate and Elect a New TCC Vice Chair (All, 10 minutes)**

- Nominations - Tiffani Fink, PI nominated by Jose Perez, YCTD, 2nd by Keith Martin, Yuba-Sutter Transit
- Voting - unanimously elected
- New TCC Vice Chair selected - Tiffani Fink, PI

**4) Follow up: FTA Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) (Rosson/All, 5 minutes)** - Some agencies may need template. FTA put out some guidelines on the PTASP website as well as a template. Tool to populate the plan for you by answering questions. [www.transit.dot.gov/PTASP](http://www.transit.dot.gov/PTASP). Two webinars are coming up. YCTD - When does the plan have to be approved. Certified plan, approved by governing board, in place by July 20, 2020. Uploaded in NTD.

**5) Revised Sacramento County FY 2018-19 LTF Funding Apportionments (Payne/All, 5 minutes)** – Submit claims now that the SACOG Board has approved allocations or wait until the FY 2019-20 claims. Revised up to add FY 17-18 funds and up for FY 18-19.

**6) State of Good Repair Funding and Sacramento Regional Transit Annexations (Rosson/All, 5 minutes)** – Caltrans released the project list template for FY 19-20. Will send out web address. Caltrans is revising guidelines - draft on website. Have project list in to SACOG by June 30th. Must be to Caltrans by September 1st. Must have board resolution from project sponsors.

Yuba-Sutter Transit - Get attachment and website information out to group.

RT - Operating Folsom service effective February 4th. Worked out with Citrus Heights and Folsom to get all TDA funds to RT. SMAQMD - What did annexations do to voting structure?

RT - Changed weighting, and information was presented to Board.

Mike Barnbaum - any changes to annexed area services?

RT - No changes yet. Any changes will go through the appropriate City Council for the area served.

PI - Annexation opened-up ADA service in Folsom and eliminated transfers in the RT district.

Jeff Tardaguila - Service from Harris center?

PI - Service to the Harris Center, but no late-night service back from Harris Center because of DAR hours.

RT - Citrus Heights cost sharing on maintenance costs. Folsom all RT's responsibilities.

SACOG - Can email invoices and/or links with all required documentation.

- Projects
- Due Dates
- Invoicing Requirements

**7) FTA Low or No Emission (Low-No) Program (Rosson/All, 5 minutes)** - Applications due May 14th at 11:59 PM eastern time. Expect to award 45 projects. If you did not attend webinar on April 11th then SACOG staff can provide materials. PCT - Put it out to the entire committee.

**Low-No site:** <https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grants/lowno>

**Low-No on Grants.gov:** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html> Funding Opportunity Number - FTA-2019-001-TPM-LOWNO

**8) FTA 5307/5339 FY 2019 Apportionments (VaughanBechtold/All, 5 minutes)** - see attachment

- Earned Share performance-based funding – TCC recommendation – see attachment Tiffani Fink, PI motion, Mike Costa, e-tran 2nd - Unitrans abstain. All affected agencies approve unanimously.
- Discretionary Award revision – see attachment
- Next Steps – Anticipated May 2019 SACOG Board adoption

**9) Microtransit Update (RT/ West Sacramento/All, 20 minutes)**

- West Sacramento Via Service - renewing contract for year 2. Include Sunday service 6 AM - 11 PM. Increase fleet to 11 vehicles and additional ADA accessible vehicle. 68,000 rides in 2019 with 2,500 rides a week. Average trip length 10 minutes and wait time similar. Rides per VRH at 4.5. Year 2 - \$42 per driver hour, farebox recovery \$32/hour. Farebox recovery ratio at 20% or a little higher.

- YCTD - \$42 cost per hour include maintenance, cleaning, etc.?
- WS - Gross cost fully loaded with everything. Via pays drivers to drive on their service, drivers rent vehicles.
- YCTD - Are drivers independent contractors or no?
- WS - Must be on rental contract during operations because of branded vehicles.
- WS - All drivers are independent contractors.
- RT - Cost of administration and benefits?
- WS - All costs included. Don't know City's internal costs.
- Unitrans - Scheduled or on demand.
- WS - Drivers schedule time to rent the vehicle and drive on the Via platform during that time.
- Unitrans - Turnover.
- WS - Reasonable.
- Unitrans - What does that mean?
- WS - Can get back to you with a percentage. Partnership services have lower turnover than general services.
- YCTD - What does it actually cost to run this Via service? What does it cost the City above and beyond the contract? Performance standards should be directly comparable.
- PI - SACOG Board retreat - not comparable because no drug and alcohol screening, ADA, employee protections or other requirements.
- PCT - Have different requirements in public sector than private sector.
- WS - Via has done and can do drug and alcohol screening, ADA compliance, etc.
  
- Sacramento RT SmaRT Ride Service - see presentation. Franklin service is being used as connection to light rail. Both current service areas have highest ridership during the peak/commute periods.
- SMAQMD - Looking at dividing zones to have smaller zones?
- RT - Looking at splitting zones in Citrus Heights to make service better. Most popular destination is Walmart. Way to transfer from SmaRT Ride to SmaRT Ride service.
- PI - Hasn't changed ADA demand. Made same day rules more strict.
- Unitrans - In the right places microtransit makes sense. Why is it being applied in areas where there is good fixed route transit that is well used? Is there a concern over out of control demand in downtown? RT - Looking at end of the night and weekend service as the focus. Don't want to compete with our own services. Bringing in areas that are affected by SacRT Forward. Downtown will have designated stops.
- Unitrans - Microtransit may be a good choice for late night service.
- PI - Raley Field is within the 3/4 mile buffer for ADA service.
- Brief Discussion of Microtransit Services

#### 10) Meetings/Events/Updates (All, 5 minutes)

- a. Meetings or Events
- b. Updates on Other Items - AB 1351 - Changes the way that ADA trips are performed.
- c. 2019 Regional Funding round. Call to discuss how it works for transit.

#### 11) Set Next Meeting Dates (All, 5 minutes)

- a. Next TCC meeting on June 19, 2019 – at SACOG
- b. Adjourn TCC

#### Post TCC - Electric Vehicle Industry Presentation (Lion Electric Vehicles/All, 30 minutes) –

- Presentation on current activity in the electric vehicle industry – see attachment - Altoona testing: Lion will get back to the group. Order to deliver 6 months. \$300K to \$350K+/- . PI - range is the issue on smaller vehicle. RT - looking at having to have charging stations out in the service area.
- Post TCC offsite electric vehicle workshop\*

\* All operators interested in attending the electric vehicle workshop at the Lion Experience Center after the TCC meeting can travel there after the meeting. A Lion Electric small bus will be available for ride alongs and test drives at the Lion Experience Center. See flyer for more information.

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